

CHIME and AuiG Announce Plans to Launch Chapter in German-speaking Communities

ANN ARBOR, MI, November 9, 2018 – The College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (CHIME) and Akademie für Unternehmensführung und IT-Service Management in der Gesundheitswirtschaft (AuiG) announced today that they have signed a letter of intent (LOI) to establish a CHIME chapter in German-speaking communities in Austria, Belgium, Germany, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, South Tyrol, and Switzerland.

“We are honored to partner with colleagues who clearly share our drive to improve healthcare using information technology,” said Russell Branzell, president and CEO of CHIME. “Like CHIME, AuiG values international collaborations that bring many perspectives to the challenging issues we face in our industry today.”

“CHIME’s philosophy, educational programs and international certification align perfectly with AuiG’s mission to serve our VuiG members by helping them network and develop skills to become healthcare leaders,” said Dr. Pierre-Michael Meier, executive vice president and CFO of VuiG e.V. AuiG is VuiG e.V.’s educational arm. “Although we may have different approaches to healthcare, we share the same challenges, technological opportunities and organizational frameworks. We see this partnership as a great opportunity for both organizations to share experiences and grow together.”

CHIME is a membership-based organization serving more than 2,800 chief information officers (CIOs) and senior healthcare executives in 51 countries. CHIME offers online and in-person educational and networking opportunities as well as accreditation through a domestic and international CHIME Certified Healthcare CIO (CHCIO) program. VuiG e.V. represents German-speaking CIOs in the ENTSCHIEDERFABRIK Network, which is a community that includes 33 user associations, over 800 hospitals and over 120 industry partners and exclusively selected consultancies.

This marks the third establishment of an international chapter outside the U.S. for CHIME. Earlier this year, CHIME signed an LOI to open a chapter in Italy and in 2017 CHIME launched a chapter in India.

About CHIME

The College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (CHIME) is an executive organization dedicated to serving chief information officers (CIOs), chief medical information officers (CMIOs), chief nursing information officers (CNIOs) and other senior healthcare IT leaders. With more than 2,800 members in 51 countries and over 150 healthcare IT business partners and professional services firms, CHIME provides a highly interactive, trusted environment enabling senior professional and industry leaders to collaborate; exchange best practices; address professional development needs; and advocate the effective use of information management to improve the health and healthcare in the communities they serve. For more information, please visit chimecentral.org.

About AuiG, VuiG e. V. and the ENTSCHIEDERFABRIK Network

VuiG e.V. is the home of CIOs in 33 user associations in the ENTSCHIEDERFABRIK Network. The network develops digitized solutions in the healthcare sector, provides hospital decision makers with tools to be successful, and serves as an incubator to test innovations. Membership into VuiG e.V. is by title as a part of an executive team or by qualification. AuiG is VuiG e.V.’s educational arm and validates the qualification of VuiG e.V. members.

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