EnCoRe Q8 Summary (March-May 2010)

In this eighth project quarter, all Work Packages were active. In addition to the research itself, we submitted and presented papers at various academic and public policy events, and continued execution of the overall communications media strategy for the project.

In Work Package 1, progress on the project taxonomy and on developing requirements models and formalisations was made, but was limited by a lack of specific material relating to Case Study 2, our collaboration with the Oxford Radcliffe Biobank. This lack arises because the necessary Research Ethics Committee approval, which we applied for in the previous quarter, has not yet been received.

Work Package 2 started to investigate the possibilities arising from Case Study 2, but was also hampered by the lack of specifics and a potential issue over access to proprietary documentation on the information management system that ORB uses.

Work Package 3 and Work Package 4 collaborated on preparatory work for Case Study 2, the pace of this being limited by the same external factors.

Work Package 5 concluded its focus on its internal deliverable that outlines compliance system and component testing strategies, although work on this will continue as a living document.

Work Package 6 constructed a demonstrator implementation of the first technical architecture.

The workshop with the candidate Assisted Living Innovation Platform projects for our third Case Study did not take place in April, but was re-scheduled for June to accommodate their needs.

EnCoRe researchers presented the project and/or specific papers at a variety of academic and public policy-related events, and the project made progress on other awareness-raising activities, including a re-vamp of the project website and publication of the project videos.

The next quarter’s activities will include a revision to the overall detailed project plan, in order to clarify the scopes and inter-dependencies of the remaining work items and to re-schedule them, based on events since the start of the project.