Reviewer’s report

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The quality of the manuscript has developed a lot since the first review round. The structure is clearer and the relevant information is appearing. The new table clearly shows the crucial elements of the strategy. In this version, the necessity of Table 2 has emerged as question to the reviewer. I’m not sure whether is appropriate to present this information in a table format - since we have more important tables-, maybe to inserting the information from Table 2 to page 7 would be sufficient.

Regarding the conclusions, I would suggest to include the significance of health policy interventions on continuous development of HRH and the benefits of health workforce planning activities (e.g. stakeholder involvement, legislation, information sharing etc.) in general, as reference you can use D043 materials accessible at: http://healthworkforce.eu/work-package-4/

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