THE EPISOUTH PLUS PROJECT

1ST PROJECT MEETING

Rome, 5-7 December 2012

AGENDA

Auditorium d’Alba
Italian Ministry of Health
Viale Giorgio Ribotta, 5

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This Project is led by The Italian National Institute of Health and counseled by an Advisory Board composed by EC, ECDC, WHO and other international experts.
DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 5 DECEMBER 2012

1.00 PM REGISTRATION

Afternoon 2.00-5.45 pm

PLENARY SESSION

2.00-3.00 PM
- Welcome by the Italian MoH (F. Oleari, Head of Dept. of PH and Innovation) and ISS (E. Garaci, President)
- Italian support to the UfM/EuroMed projects (G. Ruocco, DG for Prevention, Italian MoH)
- Meeting’s agenda and aims (S. Declich, project leader)
- EpiSouth Plus overview (M.G. Dente & M. Bejaoui, WP1 co-leaders)

3.00-3.30 PM: KEYNOTE SPEECH
- Cross-border health threats: opportunities and challenges for coordinated actions at regional level (G. Rodier, WHO-EURO)

3.30-4.30 PM: I – STATUS OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES (1st PART)
Chairman: S. Declich, ISS
Moderator: B. Madi, UNRWA
- WP4 (K. Victoir & G. Koruklouglu, WP4 co-leaders)
- WP5 (R. Cano Portero & F. Simon Soria, WP5 leaders)
- WP6 (P. Barboza & A. Leventhal, WP6 co-leaders)
- WP7 (F. Riccardo & P. Nabeth, WP7 co-leaders)

4:30 - 4:45 pm coffee break

4.45–5.15 PM: I – STATUS OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES (2nd PART)
- WP2 (M. Fabiani & D. Lausevic, WP2 co-leaders)
- WP3 (G. Salamina, WP3 leader)

5.15-5.45 PM
- Discussion
DAY 2: THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER 2012

Morning 9.30 am - 12.45 pm
PLENARY SESSION

9.30-10.30 AM
II – SUPPORTING INTEGRATION BETWEEN LAB AND EPI SURVEILLANCE
Chairman: L. Mohamed Hechmi, Tunisian PI
Moderator: A. Di Caro, INMI

- 9.30-9.55 West Nile Disease Surveillance in the Mediterranean Basin
  (A. Papa Konidari, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece & G. Koruklouglu, PHI, Turkey)
- 9.55-10.10 The Mediterranean Regional Laboratory Network: Identified needs and perspectives for action
  (K. Victoir, S. Boufkhed & G. Koruklouglu, WP4 co-leaders)
- 10.10-10.30 Discussion

10:30 - 10:45 coffee break

10.45-11.45 AM
III – EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS AND EPIDEMIC INTELLIGENCE
Chairman: P. Guglielmetti, DGSANCO
Moderation: A. Leventhal, MECIDS

- 10.45-11.00 The experience and the added value of the GHSAG Platform: one Platform for several partners
  and for a spectrum of threats (M. Barker, HPA/GHSAG project)
- 11.00-11.15 The EpiSouth/EpiS Platform: how it works and how it will work from now onwards
  (P. Barboza, F. Belghiti, and C. Giese, WP6 leaders & P. Penttinen ECDC)
- 11.15-11.45 Discussion
DAY 2: THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER 2012

11.45-12.45 AM
IV – THE ORGANIZATION OF A TABLE TOP SIMULATION EXERCISE (SE)
Chairman: D. Jose Herrera, Tephinet
Moderator: L. Vellucci, Italian MoH

- 11.45-12.00 Lessons learnt from similar experiences (P. Riley, HPA Celeste Project)
- 12.00-12.15 The EpiSouth SE: objectives, schedule, interactions with the other EpiSouth WPs (F. Simon Soria, R. Cano Portero, C. Martin Pando, WP5 leaders)
- 12.15-12.45 Discussion

12.45-1.30 Lunch

Afternoon 1.30-3.15 pm
PLENARY SESSION

1.30-2.30 PM
V – THE WHO GUIDANCE FOR THE POINTS OF ENTRY (PoE)
Chairman: D. Samhouri’, WHO EMRO
Moderator: F. Cicogna, Italian MoH

- 1.30-1.45 The WHO PoE Guidance (D. Menucci, WHO IHR)
- 1.45-2.00 The support of the EpiSouth Network to the PoE Guidance development (F. Riccardo & P. Nabeth, WP7 co-leaders)
- 2.00-2.30 Discussion
2.30-3.15 PM
VI – THE EPISOUTH MID-TERM EVALUATION (MTE)
Chairman: A. Petrakova, ECDC
Moderator: C. Menel Lemos, EAHC

- 2.30-2.45 The MTE results and Network sustainability (C. Hadjichristodoulou, Shipsan Act Joint Action & G. Salamina, WP3 leader)
- 2.45-3.15 Discussion

3.15 - 3.30 coffee break

Afternoon 3.30-6.00 pm
PARALLEL SESSIONS

3.30-6.00 PM: WORK PACKAGES STEERING TEAMS (WP ST)
Auditorium, Niglio Room, Turina Room and Vetere Room

- WP4 ST plus LAB: Discussion and proposals on the basis of Plenary Session II (on which to base the WP4 Strategic Document)
- WP5 ST: Discussion and proposals on the basis of Plenary Session IV (on which to base the WP5 Strategic Document)
- WP6 ST: Discussion and proposals on the basis of Plenary Session III (on which to base the future management plan of the EpiSouth/Epis Platform)
- WP7 ST: Discussion and proposals on the basis of Plenary Session V (on which to base the PoE Guidance pilot and the WP7 Strategic Document)

8.30 pm Working Dinner
DAY 3: FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER 2012

Morning 9.30 am -12.45 pm
PLENARY SESSION

VII – EPISOUTH DEVELOPMENTS AND STRATEGIES IN THE YEAR 2013
Chairman: G. Nicoletti, Italian MoH
Moderator: S. Salmaso, ISS

9.30-11.00 AM Reporting to the Plenary from the WPST parallel sessions and discussion on cross-cutting issues

11.00-12.00 AM EpiSouth activities in 2013 and way forward

12.00-12.30 AM Wrap up and conclusions

12.30-12.45 AM Closing Remarks by the Italian MoH

12.45 - 1.30 Lunch
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