



## The EpiSouth Network Electronic Bulletin



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### EpiSouth Activities

The WP4 Experts Meeting - EpiSouth Mediterranean Regional Laboratories Network - took place in Paris, France on 13 January 2012.

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The WP5 First workshop on Public Health Preparedness and Response and Training Session on Spatial Analysis of Surveillance Data was held in Madrid, Spain on 27 February - 2 March 2012.

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The WP4 Meeting of the Heads of Laboratories of the EpiSouth Regional Laboratories Network took place in Ankara, Turkey on 8-9 March 2012.

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### The EpiSouth Network

Starting as an EU project, the EpiSouth Network struggled to develop its Mediterranean vocation. From an initial involvement of 5 countries (Italy, Spain, France, Greece, and Bulgaria), it finally includes ALL the Mediterranean countries (27 countries from Southern Europe, Balkans, Middle East, and Northern Africa) and partners from collaborating institutions.

The EpiSouth Project has been closed in June 2010 but the network activities are continuing in 2010-2013 through the EU-funded Project called "EpiSouth Plus".

#### [Participating Countries and Institutions](#)

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### EpiSouth Events

The Network was presented at the Meeting of the EWRS component of the Community Network for the Epidemiological Surveillance and Control of Communicable Diseases, Luxembourg, 24 January 2012.

#### [Agenda and presentation](#)

### EpiSouth Documents

The Weekly Epi Bulletin (e-WEB) n. 200, including a retrospective analysis of all the reported events since its first release in 2008, was published.

#### [Read the e-WEB n. 200](#)

The first and second biannual technical reports produced for EU-DEVCO are available on-line.

#### [Read the reports](#)

The EpiSouth-Plus Project Organization has been described and made available on-line.

#### [Read the document](#)

### Focus Topic

The Euro-Mediterranean Civil Protection Operational Manual was published by PPRD South.

The scope of the Manual is to provide an overview of disaster risks in the Euro-Mediterranean region and existing capacities to cope with them, while stimulating developments on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) at the national level and facilitating Partner Countries in prioritizing their own needs and developing effective strategies for DRR.

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