

# **EpiSouth/Epis platform** for alerts

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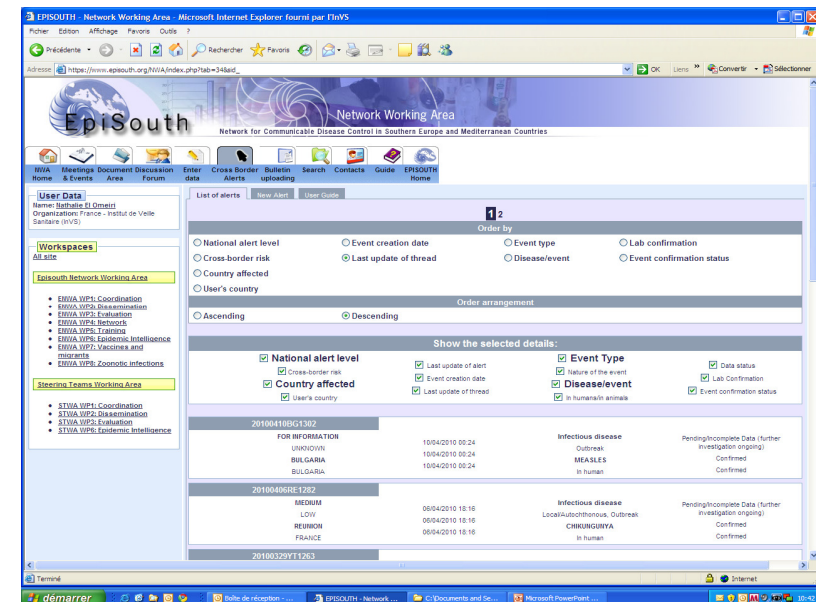
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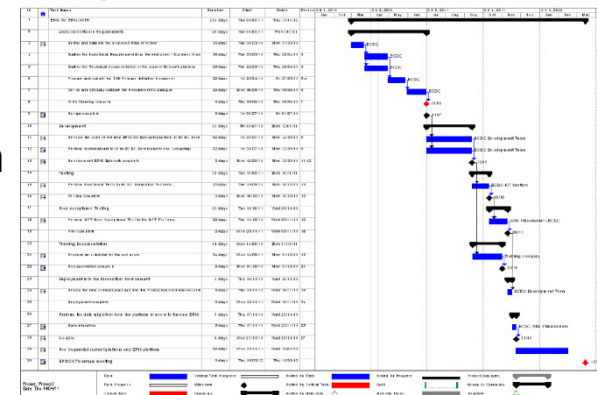
## Old EpiSouth platform

- Developed in November 2009
- Accessible to all Focal points + ECDC, WHO, EC
- Secure access (password + username)
- Developed by WP6 ST members + Cineca
- Animated by WP6
- Hosted in Italy
- To date: 146 alerts



- Started from the EC request (EpiSouth Plus Grant agreement)
- Since 2011: development of the platform in collaboration with ECDC
- March 2011: Plan of Action
- May – June 2011: Survey of the EpiSouth platform
- June 2011 (Montenegro WP6ST meeting): introduction to the Epis environment by ECDC
- June 2011 – February 2012: development of the platform by ECDC in collaboration with WP6 team
- February 2012: testing of the platform by WP6 team

2 Possible agenda



ECDC, WP6 team  
With support of WP2 +  
CINECA

● **June 2012 (Turkey WP6ST meeting):** live presentation of the Epis-Episouth platform to WP6ST

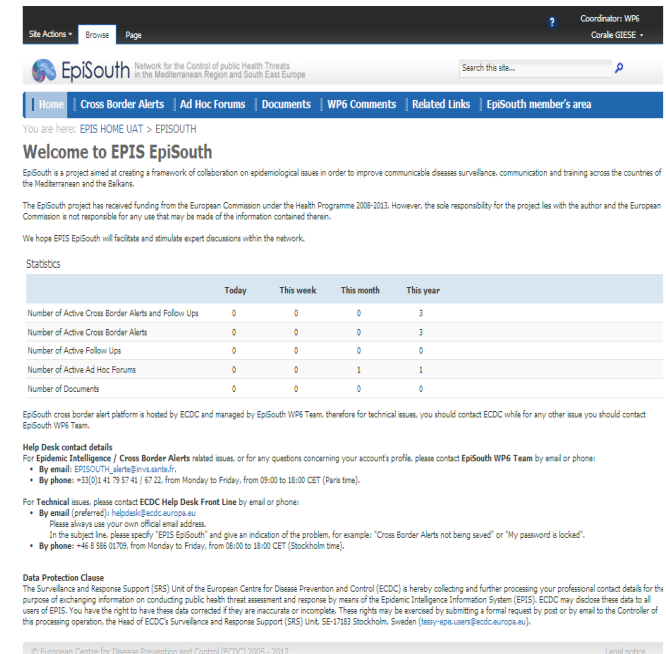
● **June 2012:** testing of the platform by WP6ST

● **July 2012:** WP6 team collected suggestions and comments from the WP6 ST for possible implementations/modifications of the tool.

● **August – November 2012:** ECDC finalized the tool (no further changes made after August).

● **October 2012:** Transfer of Italian and French alerts on the Epis for EpiSouth platform

● **November 2012:** All the future platform users received a personal ID and password in order to look at the tool before the EpiSouth Paris meeting in October.



The screenshot shows the EpiSouth website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links: Home, Cross Border Alerts, Ad Hoc Forums, Documents, WP6 Comments, Related Links, and EpiSouth member's area. Below this is a search bar and a welcome message. A table titled 'Statistics' displays data for Today, This week, This month, and This year. The table includes rows for Number of Active Cross Border Alerts and Follow Ups, Number of Active Cross Border Alerts, Number of Active Follow Ups, Number of Active Ad Hoc Forums, and Number of Documents. Below the table, there is a section for 'Help Desk contact details' and 'Data Protection Clause'.

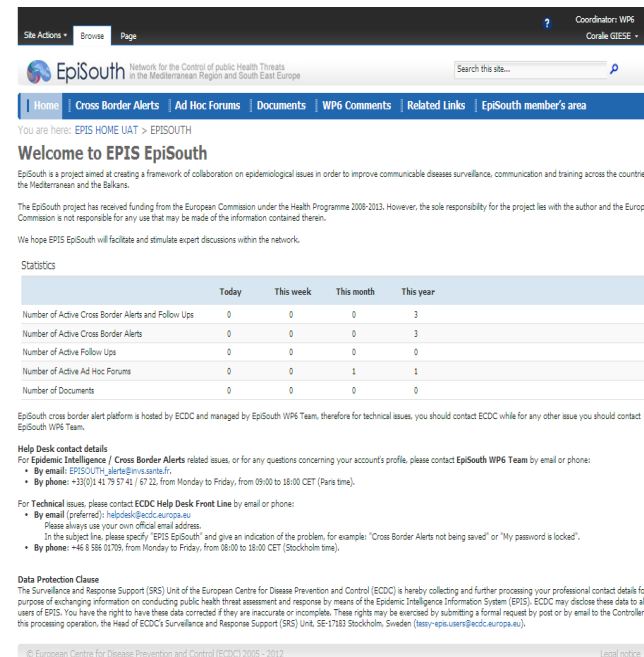
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Number of Active Ad Hoc Forums	0	0	1	1
Number of Documents	0	0	0	0

ECDC, WP2, WP6  
Steering team

## December 2012 Annual EpiSouth meeting:

**GO LIVE** of the platform the EpiSouth/EPIS platform

- Formal request has been sent to all EpiSouth focal points to officially join the new platform (answer before 15 March 2013)



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**ECDC and all Episouth focal points**

- Accessible to all Focal points + ECDC, WHO, EC (same as before)
- Secure access (password + username)
- Animated by WP6 until 14 April, animated by ECDC
- Hosted in Stockholm
- To date: 8 alerts (mainly coronavirus)
- Voluntary basis



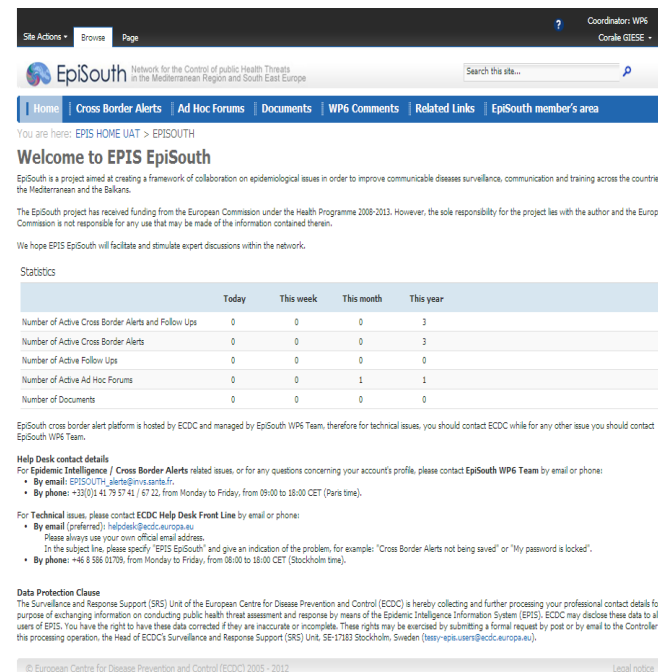
## Hotline:

- **Technical issues:** [helpdesk@ecdc.europa.eu](mailto:helpdesk@ecdc.europa.eu)
- **Epidemic Intelligence/cross border alerts:** [EPISOUTH\\_alerte@invs.sante.fr](mailto:EPISOUTH_alerte@invs.sante.fr)



## Some issues:

- Technical issues:
  - ❖ Password and username
  - ❖ Email notification
- Need to get used to the new format
- Need of official adoption by countries
- Awareness on the alerts sharing still in progress



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EpiSouth Network for the Control of public Health Threats in the Mediterranean Region and South East Europe

Search this site...

Home | Cross Border Alerts | Ad Hoc Forums | Documents | WP6 Comments | Related Links | EpiSouth member's area

You are here: EPIS HOME UAT > EPISOUTH

### Welcome to EPIS EpiSouth

EPISOUTH is a project aimed at creating a framework of collaboration on epidemiological issues in order to improve communicable diseases surveillance, communication and training across the countries of the Mediterranean and the Balkans.

The EpiSouth project has received funding from the European Commission under the Health Programme 2008-2013. However, the sole responsibility for the project lies with the author and the European Commission is not responsible for any use that may be made of the information contained therein.

We hope EPIS EpiSouth will facilitate and stimulate expert discussions within the network.

#### Statistics

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EPISOUTH cross border alert platform is hosted by ECDC and managed by EpiSouth WP6 Team, therefore for technical issues, you should contact ECDC while for any other issue you should contact EpiSouth WP6 Team.

#### Help Desk contact details

For Epidemic Intelligence / Cross Border Alerts related issues, or for any questions concerning your account's profile, please contact EpiSouth WP6 Team by email or phone:

- By email: [EPISOUTH\\_alerte@invs.sante.fr](mailto:EPISOUTH_alerte@invs.sante.fr).
- By phone: +33(0)1 41 79 57 41 / 67 22, from Monday to Friday, from 09:00 to 18:00 CET (Paris time).

For Technical issues, please contact ECDC Help Desk Front Line by email or phone:

- By email (preferred): [helpdesk@ecdc.europa.eu](mailto:helpdesk@ecdc.europa.eu). Please always use your own official email address.
- In the subject line, please specify "EPIS EpiSouth" and give an indication of the problem, for example: "Cross Border Alerts not being saved" or "My password is locked".
- By phone: +46 8 566 01709, from Monday to Friday, from 08:00 to 18:00 CET (Stockholm time).

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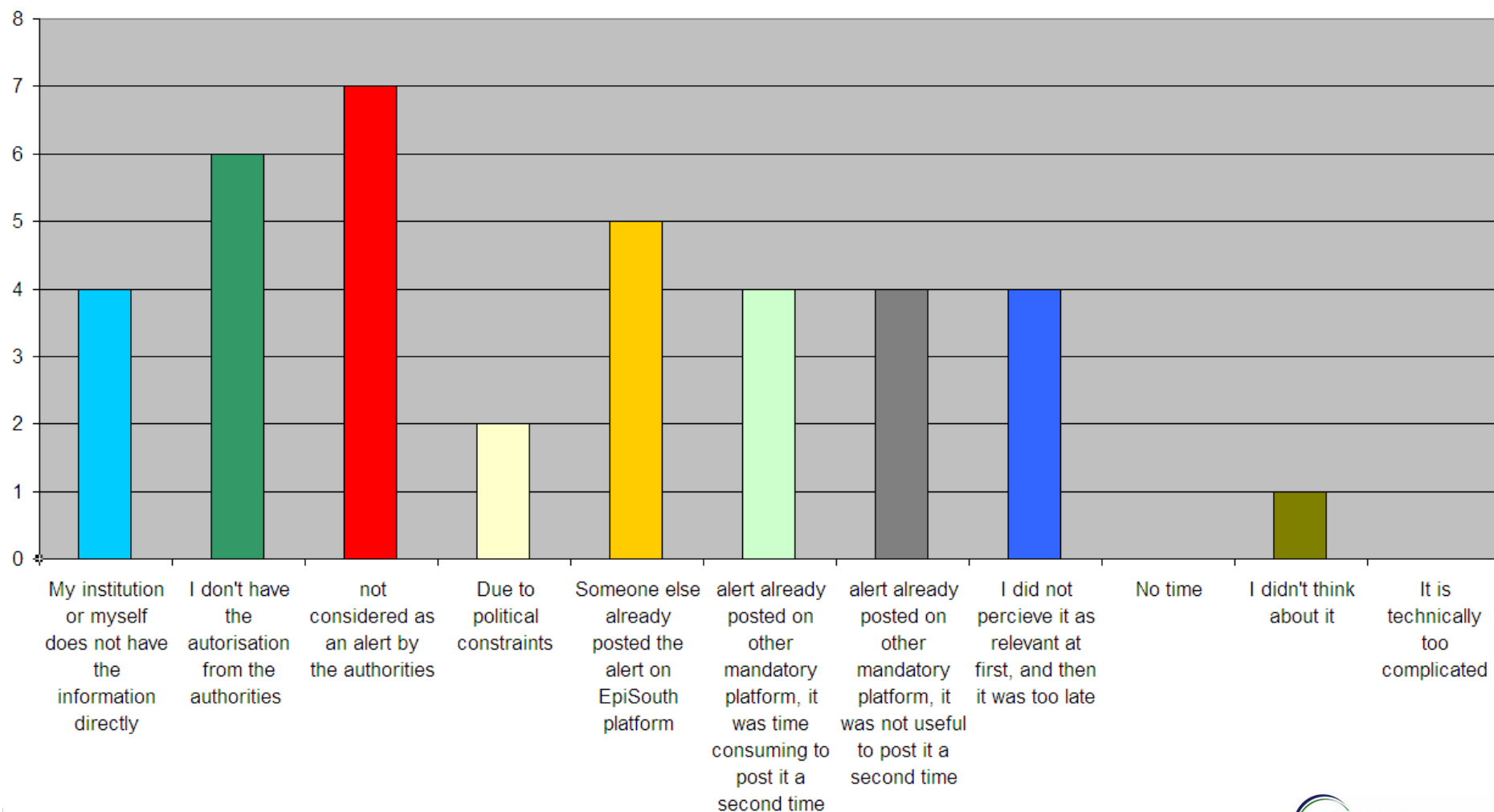
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### Reasons for not posting an alert (old EpiSouth platform)





- ✚ If you are not a FP, you need to identify/be in contact with your FP!

- ✚ Different types of information sharing:

- ✚ Immediate notification through email
- ✚ Follow up
- ✚ Discussion through forum
- ✚ Interactive tool
- ✚ WP6 summary

- ✚ A good opportunity to test the tool

- ✚ Access: passwords, usernames, emails notifications, practice of the posting
- ✚ Animation (reactivity of moderator)
- ✚ Hotline availability





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**Live presentation**

<https://nepis.ecdc.europa.eu/EPISOUTH/default.aspx>

Thank you for your attention

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The screenshot shows the EpiSouth website interface. At the top, there is a header with the EpiSouth logo and the text "Network for the Control of Public Health Threats in the Mediterranean Region and South East Europe". Below the header is a navigation bar with links in Arabic: "البنان والمؤسسات المشاركة", "الأحداث", "النشرات", "الأدلة", "الأخبار", "الاتصال", and "بحث". There is also a language selector with options for "English", "Français", and "العربية". The main content area features a map of the Mediterranean region and a sidebar with a list of activities under the heading "أنشطة الشبكة". The activities include "مشروع إيبسأوث بلاس 2013 - 2010" and "مشروع إيبسأوث بلاس 2010 - 2006", each with a list of sub-activities.

New web-site

<http://www.episouth.org/index.html>

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