



EpiSouth

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

## **EPISOUTH WP7**

National Situation Analysis on coordination of surveillance  
between Points of Entry and National Health Systems

SITE VISIT TO

**MALTA**

In the context of the EpiSouth WP7 National Situation analysis, a site visit to Malta was conducted on the 15-18 July 2013.

The aim was to study in depth how coordination of surveillance activities was achieved between Points of Entry and the National Health System in the context of IHR 2005. During the visit two Points of Entry: the international airport and the port of Valletta, were visited.

**Malta International Airport** is the only airport in Malta and is located 5 km southeast of the Maltese capital Valletta<sup>1</sup>. With over 3.5 mil passengers handled in 2012 it is the 99<sup>th</sup> busiest airport in Europe in 2012 based on total passenger numbers<sup>2</sup>.

The **Port of Valletta**, is a natural deep-water harbour, that extends for about 3.6 kilometres inland. Its two-arm breakwater renders it a safe, all-weather port throughout the year, open on a twenty-four-hour basis. The Port of Valletta is a multi-purpose port equipped to offer a large spectrum of maritime services including various cruise/ferry and cargo berths.<sup>3,4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Malta\\_International\\_Airport](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Malta_International_Airport)

<sup>2</sup> [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_the\\_busiest\\_airports\\_in\\_Europe](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_the_busiest_airports_in_Europe)

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.vallettawaterfront.com/content.aspx?id=96959>

<sup>4</sup> <http://mma.dev.alert.com.mt/port-valletta>

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	<b>Action</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>15/7</b>	Arrival of participants to Malta and meeting in the Maltese MoH	Ministeru Tas-Sahha, L-Anzjani, U Kura Fil-Komunita (Ministry of Health, Elderly and Community Care - MOH MT) Department of Public Health Msida, Malta
<b>16/7</b>	Visit at the Malta international airport	Ħal Luqa, Malta
<b>17/7</b>	Visit at the port of La Valletta	La Valletta, Malta
<b>18/7</b>	meeting in the Maltese MoH and departure of participants	Ministeru Tas-Sahha, L-Anzjani, U Kura Fil-Komunita (Ministry of Health, Elderly and Community Care - MOH MT) Department of Public Health Msida, Malta

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