Workshop on screening practices for infectious diseases among newly arrived migrants

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A survey on screening practices for infectious diseases among newly arrived migrants has been carried out with non-EU countries of the EpiSouth Network, in the framework of initiatives funded by the EU and the Italian Ministry of Health, after the closure of the EU-funded EpiSouth Project last year.

The preliminary results of the survey and the effectiveness of screening programmes will be discussed during a workshop on screening practices for infectious diseases among newly arrived migrants organised by the Italian National Institute of Health in Rome on 28-29 May, to be attended by more than 20 countries from the Mediterranean region and Black Sea.

The network for the control of cross-border health threats in the Mediterranean Basin and Black Sea develops on the basis of the EpiSouth Network, bringing together 27 countries (EU and non-EU) from Southern Europe, the Balkans, Middle East and Northern Africa. The network focuses on increasing health security in the area by enhancing and strengthening preparedness to common health threats and bio-security risks.

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