



# THE EPISOUTH PLUS PROJECT

## 1<sup>ST</sup> 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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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 (2<sup>nd</sup> 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. Korukluglu, PHI, Turkey)
- **9.55-10.10** The Mediterranean Regional Laboratory Network: Identified needs and perspectives for action (K. Victoir, S. Boufkhed & G. Korukluglu, 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



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**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. Samhuri, 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



**DAY 2: THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER 2012**

**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*



## SPEAKERS AND CHAIRPERSONS

*Barboza P. - Institute for Public Health Surveillance (InVS) - S. Maurice, France*

*Barker M. - Health Protection Agency (HPA), Porton Down, Salisbury, UK*

*Bejaoui M. - Ministry of Health (MoH) - Tunis, Tunisia*

*Belghiti F. - InVS - S. Maurice, France*

*Boufkhed S. - Pasteur Institute (PI) - Paris, France*

*Cano Portero R. - Carlos III Health Institute (ISCIII) - Madrid, Spain*

*Cicogna F. - MoH - Rome, Italy*

*Declich S. - Italian National Institute of Health (ISS) - Rome, Italy*

*Dente M.G. - ISS - Rome, Italy*

*Di Caro A. - National Institute for Infectious Diseases L. Spallanzani - Rome, Italy*

*Fabiani M. - ISS - Rome, Italy*

*Garaci E. - ISS - Rome, Italy*

*Giese C. - InVS - S. Maurice, France*

*Guglielmetti P. - European Commission SANCO - Luxemburg*

*Hadjichristodoulou C. - University of Thessaly - Larissa, Greece*

*Jose Herrera D. - TEPHINET - Decatur, US*

*Korukloughlu G. - Public Health Institute (PHI) - Ankara, Turkey*

*Lausevic D. - PHI - Podgorica, Montenegro*

*Leventhal A. - Middle East Consortium on Infectious Disease Surveillance (MECIDS) - Jerusalem, Israel*

*Mohamed Hechmi L. - PI - Tunis, Tunisia*

*Madi B. - United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) - West Bank*

*Martin Pando C. - ISCIII - Madrid, Spain*

*Menel Lemos C. - European Agency for Health and Consumer (EAHC) - Luxemburg*

*Menucci D. - WHO, IHR Coordination Office - Lyon, France*

*Nabeth P. - WHO, IHR - Lyon, France*

*Nicoletti G. - MoH - Rome, Italy*

*Oleari F. - MoH - Rome, Italy*

*Papa Konidari A. - University of Thessaloniki - Larissa, Greece*

*Penttinen P. - European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) - Stockholm, Sweden*

*Petrakova A. - ECDC - Stockholm, Sweden*

*Riccardo F. - ISS - Rome, Italy*

*Riley P. - HPA, Porton Down, Salisbury, UK*

*Rodier G. - WHO, Regional Office for Europe (EURO) - Copenhagen, Denmark*

*Ruocco G. - MoH - Rome, Italy*

*Salamina G. - Local Health Unit ASLTO1 - Turin, Italy*

*Salmaso S. - ISS - Rome, Italy*

*Samhuri D. - WHO, Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean (EMRO) - Cairo, Egypt*

*Simon Soria F. - MoH - Madrid, Spain*

*Vellucci L. - MoH - Rome, Italy*

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