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- A(H5N1) Human & Avian influenza - None
- “INSIDE” events: None
- “OUTSIDE” events: Dengue - Portugal

| Location: World | Event: A(H5N1) –Human & Epizootic | <u>Comments</u> |
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No new event has been reported this week

### REPORT OF NEW HEALTH EVENTS OCCURRING OUTSIDE THE EPISOUTH AREA

| Location: Portugal | Event: Dengue | <u>Comments</u> |
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- Since 3 October 2012, an autochthonous outbreak of dengue due to DEN-1 serotype is on-going in the autonomous region of Madeira, Portugal (cf. map 1).
- As of 18 November 2012, the [Portuguese health authorities](#) reported 1672 dengue cases in the autonomous region of Madeira.
- 10 cases were reported in the mainland Portugal.
- In addition, 5 European countries reported imported cases of dengue among tourists returning from Madeira:
  - 6 cases in United Kingdom
  - 7 cases in Germany
  - 1 case in Sweden
  - 2 cases in France
  - 1 case in Finland
- So far, 100 cases were hospitalised.

- The dengue outbreak in Madera represents the first reported local sustainable transmission cycle of dengue in Europe since the 1920's.
- These last weeks, the significant increase of dengue cases (autochthonous and exported cases) on the archipelago, including on Porto Santo Island, is not in favor of a decreasing of the outbreak.
- Nonetheless, the arrival of the winter season could limit the spreading of the vector.

Map 1. Madeira autonomous region, Portugal

