



# PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE

## Preparedness, Alert and Response

### Lessons Learned in Europe from Last Cross-Border Health Infectious Threats

INSTITUTO DE SALUD CARLOS III - Campus de Chamartín. Salón Ernest Lluch

MADRID – SPAIN

15 June 2017



## Agenda

**9:00 - 9:15** Registration

**9:15 - 9:30** Welcome and introduction

*Javier Castrodeza, General Secretary, Spanish Ministry of Health (MSSSI)*  
*Isabel de la Mata, Principal Advisor for Health and Crisis management, DG-SANTE*  
*Carmen Varela Santos, Head of Section Public Health Training, ECDC*  
*Cinthia Menel Lemos, Project officer, Chafea*

**9:30 - 13:00** PLENARY SESSION 1

Analysis of cross-border infectious threats

*Chairperson: Elena Andradás. Director General of Public Health. Spanish Ministry of Health*

**[ 9:30 - 10:00 ] - 1<sup>st</sup> Talk**

**Serious cross-border health infectious threats in last years**

*Speaker: Isabel de la Mata, Principal Advisor for Health and Crisis management  
Directorate General for Health and Food Safety (DG-SANTE)*

**[ 10:00 - 10:30 ] - 2<sup>nd</sup> Talk**

**Preparedness and risk assessment**

*Speaker: Carmen Varela Santos, Head of Section Public Health Training, European  
Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)*

**[ 10:30 - 11:00 ]**

**Plenary discussion. Q & A**

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Agriculture and  
Food Executive  
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[ 11:00 - 11:30 ]  
Coffee break

[ 11:30 - 12:00 ] - 3<sup>rd</sup> Talk  
**The Spanish experience on health infections threats: Since Ebola virus disease to Zika infection**  
*Speaker: Berta Suárez. Spanish Centre for Alert and Health Emergencies Control (CCAES) (SPANISH NFP)*

[ 12:00 - 12:30 ] - 4<sup>th</sup> talk  
**The role of ISCIII in the management of health infectious threats**  
*Speaker: Manuel Cuenca-Estrella. Deputy Director of Institute of Health Carlos III (ISCIII)*

[ 12:30 - 13:00 ]  
*Plenary discussion. Q & A*

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch

14:30h - 16:00 **PARALLEL SESSION 1**

**Preparedness and response on communicable diseases**

*Chairpersons: Isabel Noguera, Director of Spanish National Epidemiology Centre (CNE - ISCIII), Miguel Dávila, SG Foreign Health MSSSI*

## Workshop

Three brief talks about specific topics risk assessment, crisis management and international cooperation (10m each talk):

### Risk assessment and management

- **Maria Grazia Dente.** EPISOUTH Coordinator Epidemiology of Communicable Diseases Unit. National Centre for Epidemiology, Surveillance and Health Promotion. Istituto Superiore di Sanità Viale Regina Elena. Rome, Italy
- **Concha Martín de Pando.** Mediterranean Programme for Intervention Epidemiology Training – MediPIET Liaison Officer. Spanish National Epidemiology Centre (CNE - ISCIII), Spain

### Risk communication

- **Aura Timen.** Head National Coordination Centre for Communicable Disease Control (LCI), RIVM, The Netherlands.
- **Christos Hadjichristodoulou.** Professor of Hygiene and Epidemiology, EU SHIPAN ACT Joint Action Coordinator, University of Thessaly, Greece.

### International cooperation on management of point of entry and capacity building

- **Maria an der Heiden,** Team Leader Quality Assurance, Robert Koch Institute, Germany
- **M<sup>a</sup> Carmen Varela Martínez,** Spanish National Epidemiology Centre (CNE - ISCIII), Spain

[ 15:30 - 16:00 ]  
**Discussion and preparation of conclusions**  
*Lead by the chairperson*

**[ 14:30 - 16:00 ]**  
**PARALLEL SESSION 2**

**Fostering the capabilities of reference laboratories on infectious diseases**

*Chairperson: Jose Manuel Echevarría, Director of Virology Department of Spanish National Microbiology Centre (CNM - ISCIII)*

**[ 14:30 - 15:30 ]**

**Workshop**

**Three brief talks about specific topics on reference laboratories systems (20m each talk)**

**Expected capabilities of reference laboratories to detect infectious threats**

- **Roland Grunow**, EMERGE Joint Action Coordinator, Director, Centre for Biological Threats and Special Pathogens, Robert Koch Institute, Germany.

**The EMERGE Joint action European Network of BSL-4 facilities**

- **Giuseppe Ippolito**, EMERGE Co-coordinator, Scientific Director "Lazzaro Spallanzani" National Institute for Infectious Diseases, Rome, Italy.

**Research on new diagnostic technologies**

- **Antonino Di Caro**, Virology Department, "Lazzaro Spallanzani" National Institute for Infectious Diseases, Rome, Italy.

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**15:30h-16:00**

Discussion and preparation of conclusions  
*Lead by the chairperson*

**16:00-16:30**

**Cofee Break**

**16:30 – 18:00 PLENARY SESSION 2**

**Conclusions and Practical Lessons**

*Chairperson: Julio Vázquez. Director of Spanish National Microbiology Centre (CNM - ISCIII)*

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**[ 16:30 – 17:00 ]**

**Presentation of Conclusions of Parallel Session 1**

*Chairpersons of Parallel Session 1*

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**(17:00-17:30)**

**Presentation of Conclusions of Parallel Session 2**

*Chairperson of Parallel Session 2*

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**[ 17:30 - 17:50 ]**

**General discussion and Presentation of Conclusions and Practical lessons**

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**17:50 – 18:00 Conference Conclusions**

*Jesús F. Crespo, Director of Institute of Health Carlos III (ISCIII)*

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