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Quality Action Conference 2016, 26-27 January, Berlin, Germany

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Quality Action is the EU co-funded three-year 'Joint Action on Improving Quality in HIV Prevention' involving 45 partner organisations from 26 Member States.

It held its concluding conference on 26-27 January in Berlin, with over 100 participants, showing positive examples of quality improvement in HIV prevention.

Over the course of its three year project period, Quality Action trained more than 400 prevention experts in using the five practical quality improvement tools it makes available in a range of languages.

Highlights of the conference were the launch of a new **Charter for Quality in HIV Prevention** as well as the presentation of the project's **Policy Kit** with policy statements and strategic actions to support quality improvement in HIV prevention at national and regional levels. Representatives from the Norwegian Directorate of Health, the Swiss Federal Office for Public health, Public Health England, the German Ministry of Health and the European Commission highlighted the challenges of keeping HIV prevention high on the political agenda, and discussed ways of overcoming structural barriers and offering incentives for integrating quality improvement in order to meet the HIV epidemic with effective responses.

Representation at the conference from across Europe reflected one of Quality Action's main achievements, the creation of a community of quality improvement practitioners who have so far completed more than 80 practical applications of the tools and have published case studies on Quality Action's website. Strong links across 26 EU Member States were formed during the project's three year period. The commitment to continuing to improve quality and to coordinated action and collaboration that was evident at the event is key for a sustainable impact and further development.



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More information:

- [Quality Action Website](#)
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- [Practical application case studies](#)