

## *Agenda*

### **Workshop: Critical aspects of Highly Infectious Diseases**

**Rome, May 22-23, 2007**

**National Institute for Infectious Diseases “L. Spallanzani” IRCCS**

#### **May, 22**

**18,30** – Opening remark (**Giuseppe Ippolito, INMI “L. Spallanzani”, Italy**)

**18,50 - Opening lecture** (**Chairperson: S. Castorina, INMI “L. Spallanzani”, Italy**)

19,00 - Epidemic and Pandemic Alert and Response in the Context of the Revised International Health Regulations (**May Chu, WHO, Switzerland**)

**19,30** – Welcome reception

#### **May, 23**

**9,30 - Laboratory diagnostic strategy for dealing with high-threat and newly emerging pathogens** (**Chairpersons: A. Cassone, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Italy, and Frank Plummer, Public Health Agency, Canada**)

9,30 - Class A Bacteria (**Graham Lloyd, Health Protection Agency, UK**)

9,50 - Diagnosis of Orthopox viruses (**Hermann Meyer, Bundeswehr, Institute of Microbiology, Germany**)

10,10 - Agents of emerging Viral Haemorrhagic Fevers (**Stephan Guenther, Bernhard-Nocht Institute for Tropical Medicine, Germany**)

10,30 – Questions and discussion

**10,50** – Coffee break

**11,10 - Facility issues and logistics for Highly Infectious Diseases** (**Chairpersons: M.G. Pompa, Ministry of Health, and M. Di Gennaro, Civil Protection Department, Italy**)

11,10 - Aeromedical Transport (**Roberto Biselli, Italian Air Force, Italy**)

11,30 - Standards for High Isolation Units (**Philip W. Smith, University of Nebraska Medical Center, USA**)

11,50 – Questions and discussion

**12,15** – Visit to the High Isolation Unit

**13,30** - Lunch

**14,30 - Clinical management and Public Health Measures for patients with HIDs** (**Chairperson: P. Follin, University Hospital, Linköping, Sweden**)

14,30 - Imported VHFs in Europe (**Hans-Reinhard Brodt and Renè Gottschalk, J. W. Goethe Universitaet, Germany**)

14,50 - Management of Marburg fever in Angola (**Frank Plummer, Public Health Agency, Canada**)

15,10 - Medical procedures in High Isolation Units (**Philippe Brouqui, Hôpitaux de Marseille, France**)

15,30 - Avian Flu in UK: no State is an Island (**Barbara Bannister, Royal Free Hospital, UK**)

15,50 – Questions and discussion

## **16.10 – Tea Break**

**16,30 - Preparedness and Response (Chairpersons and Introduction: K. Western, NIH/NIAID, USA)**

16,50- Network of Isolation Facilities in Europe (**Vincenzo Puro, INMI “L. Spallanzani”, Italy**)

17,10- Network of P4 laboratories in Europe (**Maria Capobianchi, INMI “L. Spallanzani”, Italy**)

17,30- EU Research programs in Emerging and Re-emerging Infectious Diseases (**Anna Lonnroth, DG Research, EU Commission, Belgium**)

17,50- NIAID research in Emerging Infections (**Michael G. Kurilla, NIH/NIAID, USA**)

**18,10 – Conclusion (Giuseppe Ippolito, INMI “L. Spallanzani”, Italy)**

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