


## PROGRAMME



### Annual meeting STI and HIV in EU/EEA 15-17 February 2012 Elite Hotel Marina Tower and ECDC, Stockholm

#### Scope and purpose

This meeting is meant to provide a platform for expert discussion amongst the nominated contact points for STI and HIV with respect to the recent STI and HIV surveillance reports to better understand the spread of disease and differences across EU/EEA Member States, and with respect to several ongoing projects in these disease areas initiated by ECDC.

The meeting will host several sessions on topics that are common to STI and HIV prevention and control, including behavioural surveillance related to STI and HIV, antenatal screening programmes, the control of multidrug resistant gonorrhoea, HIV prevalence estimates and novel approaches to testing for STI and HIV. These sessions are aimed to support the interaction and to share best practice between the HIV and STI experts. Feedback from countries will be obtained with respect to the ongoing projects related to STI and HIV. Input regarding the data presentation and development of surveillance as well as contribution to projects and pilot studies is expected.

Participants will include the nominated contact points for STI and HIV, respectively, in EU and EEA Member States and the EU candidate and potential candidate countries. Invited speakers and experts, including the European Commission, European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) and representatives of The International Union against Sexually Transmitted Infections Europe (IUSTI Europe) and the Civil Society Forum on HIV, are invited to participate based on the topics listed in the meeting programme.

The last day of this annual meeting (17 February 2012) is a joint meeting with the WHO Regional Office for Europe on HIV surveillance.

## Wednesday 15.02.2012 - STI prevention and control

08:30 - 09:00 **Registration**

### **Session I: STI epidemiology and microbiology**

*Chairs: Marita van de Laar, Catherine Ison*

09:00 - 09:15 Welcome and update (Marita van de Laar)

09:15 - 09:45 STI surveillance data 2010 and prepare for 2011 (Gianfranco Spiteri)

09:45 - 10:15 EURO-GASP results 2010-2011 (Michelle Cole)

10:15 - 10:45 Molecular typing of Ng strains: added public health value (Stephanie Chisholm)

### **Coffee and tea break**

11:15 - 11:30 Response to multidrug resistant gonorrhoea (Marita van de Laar)

### **Working groups: A1**

11:30 - 12:30 Discuss components of the response to multidrug resistant gonorrhoea (parallel WGs)

### **Lunch**

### **Session II: STI epidemiology and microbiology**

*Chairs: Steen Hoffmann, Otilia Sfetcu*

13:30 - 14:00 Chlamydia control project (Nicola Low)

14:00 - 14:30 BORDERNETWORK project (Elfriede Steffan)

### **Country contributions I**

14:30 - 14:45 1. Guy La Ruche (France): Sentinel surveillance network for chlamydia infections

14:45 - 15:00 2. Inga Velicko (Sweden): Epidemiology and control of chlamydia among adolescent and young adults

15:00 - 15:15 3. Eline Op de Coul (Netherlands): Experience from partner notification services – urgent improvement needed

15:15 - 15:30 4. Tania Crucitti (Belgium): Belgian gonococcal surveillance programme

### **Coffee and tea break**

16:00 - 17:00 **Working groups: B 1-4**

B1. Future of Euro-GASP

B2. Strategy to include more countries in Euro-GASP

B3. Chlamydia control and survey on national control strategies

B4. Interpretation of STI surveillance data and focused reports

17:00 - 18:00 **Feedback in plenary session**

19:00 **Dinner - Elite Hotel Marina Tower restaurant**

## Thursday 16.02.2012 - STI and HIV combined

08:30 - 09:00 **Registration**

### Session III: Behavioural surveillance related to STI and HIV

*Chairs: Marita van de Laar, Teymur Noori*

09:00 - 09:15 Welcome and update (Marita van de Laar)

09:15 - 09:45 Behavioural surveillance related to STI and HIV (Jean-Pierre Gervasoni)

09:45 - 10:15 Behavioural indicators in MSM (Minna Nikkula)

10:15 - 10:45 Deficits in targeted and comprehensive STI testing for gay and bisexual men. Results from the European MSM Internet Survey (Axel J. Schmidt)

### Coffee and tea break

11:15 - 11:45 HIV and STI prevention in MSM (Aryanti Radyowijaiti)

### Country contributions II

*Chairs: Irina Dinca, Giedrius Likatavicius*

11:45 - 12:00 1. Danijela Simic (Serbia): Bio-behavioural surveillance survey among MSM

12:00 - 12:15 2. Hilde Kløvstad (Norway): Results from EMIS for assessing behavioural surveillance

12:15 - 12:30 3. Marek Malý (Czech Republic): Self-assessment of behavioural surveillance (example)

12:30 - 12:45 4. Viorica Gheorghiu (Romania): Preliminary results of the self-assessment tool on HIV/STI behavioural surveillance

12:40 - 13:00 5. Karin Haar (Germany): STI and behavioural sentinel surveillance in the bordernetwork

### Lunch

### Session IV: STI and HIV projects

*Chairs: Piotr Kramarz, Anastasia Pharris*

14:00 - 14:20 Novel approaches to testing for HIV and STI (Rebecca Howell-Jones)

14:20 - 14:40 Antenatal screening programmes for syphilis and HIV (Otilia Sfetcu)

14:40 - 15:00 HIV incidence project (Valerie Delpech)

15:00 - 15:20 HIV prevalence estimates (Ard van Sighem)

### Coffee and tea break

### Working groups C 1-7

15:30 - 17:00 Open space with four topics: C1. Prevalence database; C2. ECDC guidance; C3. Behavioural surveillance survey of needs; C4. Sexual transmission of HIV among migrants

16:00 - 17:00 C5. BORDERNETWORK on STI and HIV

16:00 - 17:00 C6. Novel approaches to testing for HIV and STI

16:00 - 17:00 C7. HIV modelling: prevalence estimates

17:00 - 18:00 **Feedback in plenary session**

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