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Day 1 – 12 May 2016

08:00 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:30 Opening Session

- Welcome by the Director-General of Health, **Francisco George**, Ministry of Health of Portugal
- EU policy on health and vulnerable groups – **Isabel de la Mata**, Principal Advisor for Health and Crisis management, European Commission, DG Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)
- Migrant health in the European Region, **Richard Alderslade**, WHO EURO
- Migrant Health, **Marta Bronzin**, Head of Office, IOM Portugal
- Health Programme dissemination: conference objectives and methods, **Jacques Remacle**, Head of the Health unit, Consumer, Health, Agriculture and Food Safety, Health unit (CHAFEA)

09:30 – 10:15 Plenary 1: European actions on Health and Migrations, the policy context

Chair: **Isabel de la Mata**, DG SANTE

Objectives:

1. To set the scene by presenting the European policy on Migrants Health
2. To highlight the importance of international organisations collaboration required to address Migrant health needs in Europe

09:30 – 09:45 European actions on Health and Migrations – **Isabel de la Mata**, DG Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)

09:45 – 10:00 Migrants health: actions to foster the health provision for migrants in Europe, **Roumyana Benedict**, Senior Regional Migration Health Advisor, IOM

10:00 – 10:15 Public Health Aspects of Migration in Europe, PHAME Project, **Richard Alderslade**, WHO senior adviser on health and migration, WHO-EURO

10:15 – 10:30 Health break

10:30 – 12:00 Session 1: Training and capacity building initiatives: addressing the needs of the health work force, in order to improve access and quality of healthcare for migrants

Moderator: **Juergen Schefflein**, Health Determinants Unit, DG SANTE and **Antonino Chiarenza**, Azienda Unità Sanitaria Locale di Reggio Emilia (IT)

Objectives:

1. To present the training and health professionals capacity building initiatives funded under the EU Health programme and Horizon 2020, with the aim to increase access and quality of care by ensuring continuous training of health care workers
2. To highlight the EU MS initiatives to ensure the continuous education of the health work force, addressing the patients and health professionals needs

10:30 – 10:45 Training package for health professionals and ethnic minorities (MEM TP), **Ainhoa Ruiz Azarola**, Andalusian School of Public Health (ES)

10:45 – 11:00 Fostering health provision for migrants, the Roma, and other vulnerable groups (EQUI HEALTH), health professionals and law enforcement trainings, **Marina Rota**, Policy Officer, IOM

11:00 – 11:15 Culturally Competent in Medical Education (C2ME project), **Janny Suurmond**, Academic Medical Centre, University of Amsterdam (NL)

National case studies

11:15 – 11:30 IRELAND and the NETHERLANDS: REsearch STrategies to support patients of different ORigins and language background in European primary care settings, **Maria van den Muijsenbergh**, Radboud University Medical centre Nijmegen dep. primary and community care, on behalf of RESTORE network (NL)

11:30 – 11:45 PORTUGAL: National policies, good practices and actions on Health and Migrations, with special focus on Migrants health needs, **Filipa Pereira**, Senior Officer, Directorate-General of Health (PT)

11:45 – 12:00 Question and answers session

12:00 – 15:30 Session 2: Improving health services for irregular migrants

Moderator: **Sheena Keller**, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) and **Juergen Schefflein** (DG SANTE)

Objectives:

1. To present the Health programme actions addressing the irregular migrants health, with special focus on barriers for health care access and the economic impact of the non-health care provision
2. To present the Fundamental rights agency report on Migrants in irregular situation and access to health care study
3. To share national experiences of the health system adaptation for the management of large influx of migrants and how to address the Migrant health needs

- 12:00 - 12:15** Introduction on fundamental rights of migrants in an irregular situation and access to healthcare, including the study on cost-analysis of health care provisions to migrants and ethnic minorities, **Sheena Keller (FRA)**
- 12:15 - 12:30** Improving health conditions of undocumented migrants and asylum seekers to reduce inequalities to health care access - Vulnerability network, **Camille GUTTON, Médecins du Monde (MdM) (FR)**
- 12:30 - 12:45** Study on cost-effectiveness of health care provisions to migrants and ethnic minorities, **Ursula Trummer, Center for Health and Migration (C-HM) (AT)**
- 12:45 - 13:00** Question and answers session
- 13:00 - 14:00** Lunch break
- National case studies**
- 14:00 - 14:15** **CYPRUS:** Management of large influxes of migrants- The Cyprus experience, **Dr Charalambos Charilaou**, Crisis Coordinator, Ministry of Health (CY)
- 14:15 - 14:30** **CROATIA:** Croatian experiences on health protection of the migrants in transit through the Republic of Croatia“, **Goranka Petrovic**, Vaccination and Travel Medicine Unit, Croatian Institute of Public Health (HR)
- 14:30 - 14:45** **GREECE:** Health on the move : towards a national action plan in Greece, **Agapios Terzidis**, Director of Studies on International medicine - health crisis management, University of Athens (EL)
- 14:45 - 15:00** **TURKEY:** Healthcare services for irregular migrants in Turkey, **Arzu Melek OZGUMUS**, EU Expert, Ministry of Health (TU)
- 15:00 - 15:15** **SWEDEN:** Developing knowledge, improving efficiency and increasing the number of health surveys to address the health needs of asylum seekers, **Olle Olsson**, Senior Policy Adviser, Health and Social Care Division, Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions, SALAR (SE)
- 15:15 - 15:30** Question and answers session
- 15:30 - 15:45** Health break
- 15:45 - 17:00** **Session 3: Communicable diseases prevention among migrant in the EU**
Moderator: Cinthia Menel Lemos (CHAPEA)
Objectives:
1. To present the Health Programme actions knowledge, tools developed to address communicable diseases prevention among migrants in the EU
2. To provide an update of ECDC activities on communicable diseases prevention among migrants in the EU
- 15:45 - 16:00** Introduction on Communicable diseases prevention among migrant in the EU, **Teymur Noori (ECDC)**
- 16:00 - 16:15** Developing a training and resource package for improving the sexual and reproductive health of people living with HIV/AIDS – Migrant computer assisted tools (Eurosupport), **Christiana Noestlinger, Prince Leopold Institute of Tropical Medicine (BE)**
- 16:15 - 16:30** Screening for viral hepatitis among migrants in the EU (EU-HEP-SCREEN), **Amena Almes Ahmad** from the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences on behalf of the Erasmus Medical Center (NL)
- 16:30 - 16:45** Promote Vaccines among Migrant Groups in Europe (PROMOVAX), **Konstantina Zota**, Co-Director of Research, Head of National Projects, Institute of Preventive Medicine Environmental and Occupational Health, Prolepsis (EL)
- 16:45 - 17:00** Question and answers session
- 17:00** End of the day
- 20:00** Dinner at the hotel

Day 2 – 13 May 2016

09:00 - 10:15 Plenary 2: Chronic diseases among migrants

Moderator: Allan Krasnik, Professor and Center Director, University of Copenhagen EUPHA Migrant Health section and, **Mari FRESU**, Scientific Officer, European Psychiatric Association

Objectives:

1. To present the Health Programme contribution on Chronic disease, in particular diabetes type 2 and health promotion programmes among migrants
2. To highlight examples of national initiatives implementing health promotion programmes to address the migrants and ethnic minorities health needs, with special focus on person center care and mental health services

09:00 - 09:15 Innovative Prevention Strategies for type 2 Diabetes in South Asians Living in Europe, (EURODHYAN), Erik Beune, Academic Medical Centre - University of Amsterdam (NL)

National case studies

09:15 - 09:30 CZECH REPUBLIC: Health promotion for migrants and Roma in the Czech Republic, Hana Janata, National Institute of Public Health (CZ)

09:30 - 09:45 THE NETHERLANDS: Migrant healthcare in the Netherlands – integrated in regular person centred care, Maria van den Muijsenbergh, Pharos - Dutch Centre of Expertise on Health Disparities, (NL) and Dutch National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM) (NL)

09:45 - 10:00 FINLAND: From monitoring migrant health to developing mental health services in Finland, Päivikki Koponen, Research manager, National Institute for Health and Welfare(FI)

10:00 - 10:15 Question and answers session

10:15 - 10:30 Health break

10:30 - 12:00 Session 4: Monitoring migrants health - infectious diseases in the EU

Moderator: Teymur Noori, European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)

Objectives:

1. To present the health Programme on-going actions, the relevant results and future activities targeting HIV/AIDS, TB and viral hepatitis
2. To highlight the national initiatives to monitor migrants health, prevent and control infectious disease in the EU
3. To present the ways to enhance EU MS preparedness for infectious diseases during mass influx of Migrant

10:30 - 10:45 Operational knowledge to improve HIV early diagnosis and treatment among vulnerable groups in Europe (Euro HIV EDAT), Jordi Casabona Barbarà, CEEISCAT and Migration and Health within the Spanish Research Network of Epidemiology and Public Health (CIBERESP) (ES)

10:45 - 11:00 Enhancing preparedness for infectious diseases control during situations of sudden influxes of migrants, Silvia Declich, Istituto Superiori di Sanita (IT)

11:00 - 11:15 Early detection and integrated management of Tuberculosis in Europe (E-DETECT TB), Ibrahim Abubakar, UCL Institute for Global Health, University College London, UCL (UK)

National case studies

11:15 - 11:30 IRELAND: Early diagnosis and treatment of viral hepatitis (HEPCARE), John S Lambert, Consultant in Infectious Diseases, Medicine and Sexual Health (GUM), UCD and Mater Hospital (IE)

11:30 - 11:45 BULGARIA: Public Health Aspects of Migrants, Health, Dr. Angel Kunchev, Chief State Health Inspector, Ministry of Health (BG)

11:45 - 12:00 Question and answers session

12:00 - 13:00 Panel discussion on the relevance of the Health Programme results for national Migrant health programmes, lessons learnt, gaps and priority actions for the future

Moderator: **Juergen Scheftlein**, SANTE Health Determinants unit

Objectives:

1. To present the country perspective about the relevance of the Health Programme results for the National Migrant health programmes
2. To highlight one example, lesson learnt at National level about the Health programme knowledge and/or tools used
3. To identify what are the gaps and priority actions for the future

Panellists:

- **Francisco George**, Director-General of Health, Ministry of Health of Portugal
- **Ranieri Guerra**, Director General of the Health Prevention, Ministry of Health of Italy
- **Marika Podda Connor**, Migrant Health Liaison Office, Ministry of Health of Malta
- **Pelagia Soultatou**, Advisor to the Minister of Health, Hellenic Ministry of Health
- **Angel Kunchev**, Chief State Health Inspector, Ministry of Health of Bulgaria
- **Charialaou Charalambos**, Ministry of Health of Cyprus

13:00 - 13:30 Discussion session

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 - 16:00 Session 5: Support Member States to address the urgent migratory pressure

Moderator: **Roumyana Benedict**, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Objectives:

1. To present the Health programme – Call 2015 actions progress to support the MS addressing the Migrant health needs
2. To show the collaboration between the different actions for the performance of Migrant health assessment and the use of the personal health record (PHR)

14:30 - 14:45 Supporting health coordination, assessment, planning, access to health care and capacity building - SH-CAPAC, **Daniel Lopez Acuna**, Andalusian School of Public Health (EASP) (ES)

14:45 - 15:00 European Refugees - HUMAN Movement and Advisory Network, EUR-HUMAN, **Maria van den Muijsenbergh**, Radboud University Medical centre Nijmegen dep. primary and community care, on behalf of the scientific coordination of EUR-HUMAN, University of Crete(EL)

15:00 - 15:15 8 NGOs for migrants/refugees' health needs in 11 countries, 8 NGOs in 11 States, **Eve Derriennic-Roumaneix**, Médecins du Monde (MdM)(FR)

15:15 - 15:30 Support Member States under particular migratory pressure in their response to health related challenges", RE-HEALTH - **Elena Val**, Migrant Health Officer, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

15:30 - 15:45 Common Approach for REFugees and other migrants' health (CARE) - **Gianfranco Costanzo**, Istituto Nazionale per la promozione della salute delle popolazioni migrant ed il contrasto delle malattie della poverta (INMP)(IT)

15:45 - 16:00 Question and answers session

16:00 - 16:15 Health break

16:15 - 17:00 Report of the conference sessions and expert panel discussion on lessons learnt and priority actions, by **David J. Ingleby**, University of Amsterdam, COST ADAPT coordinator

17:00 - 17:30 Conference conclusions

- **Poonam Dhavan**, Migration Health Programme Coordinator, Migration Health Division, IOM HQ
- **Richard Alderslade**, WHO senior adviser on health and migration, WHO
- **Juergen Scheftlein**, SANTE Health Determinants unit, DG SANTE
- **Francisco George**, Director-General of Health, Ministry of Health of Portugal

17:30 End of the event