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WELCOME MESSAGE

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to Bucharest for the third EACS Standard of Care for HIV and Coinfections in Europe meeting.

This new edition aims to provide a roadmap for the optimisation of care with a particular focus on Eastern and Central Europe and to expand on the discussions from the previous EACS Standard of Care meetings. Within this meeting, EACS and ECDC would like to embark on a project to examine and audit standards of HIV care in Europe. The aim of this project is to explore and define European standards of HIV care from a clinical and public health perspective with the following proposed goals:

a) To define current standards for clinical and public health practice in place in Europe;
b) To stimulate clinical and/or public health practice audits against the standards;
c) To use the audit results to measure progress towards European standards for HIV and coinfections;
d) To make recommendations and explore joint European initiatives on how European standards of care could be improved.

We are positive that this new edition of the EACS Standard of Care meeting will provide the opportunity to put this project into place.

During the meeting, three working groups will be conducted with the goal of generating auditable standards of care in the areas of HIV testing and late presentation, HIV and HCV treatment access, and TB coinfection.

We believe these two days will be inspiring and beneficial for all the participants and will create an excellent opportunity to share experience and innovative ideas among representatives from Europe, invited speakers, as well as the stakeholders present from WHO, ECDC, EMCDDA, HIV in Europe, and EATG. We are confident that this meeting will make an important contribution towards the Standard of Care for HIV and Coinfections in Europe.

We are looking forward to a stimulating and productive discussion to contribute to the success of this meeting and hope that more conferences will be organised in Eastern and Central Europe.

Best regards,

Assoc. Prof. Cristiana Oprea  
Local Co-Chair

Prof. Fiona Mulcahy  
EACS Past President

Prof. Jürgen Rockstroh  
EACS President
PROGRAMME

DAY 1    Wednesday 30/01/2019

16:00 - 16:30  Registration

16:30 - 16:40  Welcome remarks
Mrs. Sorina Pintea, Romanian Ministry of Health (Romania)

16:40 - 16:50  The community perspective
Alex Schneider, EATG (Switzerland)

SESSION 1

Chairs: Michel Kazatchkine (UN, Switzerland), Adrian Streinu-Cercel (Romania)
Objectives: To present an overview on current socio-epidemiological aspects on HIV, hepatitis and TB in Central and Eastern Europe and to address the gaps in care

16:50 - 17:00  Conference objectives and expectations
Cristiana Oprea (Romania)

17:00 - 17:20  EACS Standard of Care meeting (Rome 2014 and Brussels 2016) - A reminder
Stéphane De Wit (Belgium)

17:20 - 17:40  HIV epidemic in Eastern and Central Europe
Vinay P. Saldanha (UNAIDS Regional Office, Russian Federation)

17:40 - 18:00  HIV and HCV coinfection - Barriers in Central and Eastern Europe
Jerzy Jaroszewicz (Poland)
18:00 - 18:20 Tuberculosis and HIV coinfection still a challenge in Central and Eastern Europe  
Alexander Panteleev (Russian Federation)

18:20 - 18:40 Late presentation in European countries  
Jens D. Lundgren (Denmark)

19:00 - 21:30 Dinner

**DAY 2 Thursday 31/01/2019**

08:15 - 08:30 Welcome coffee

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**SESSION 2**

**EACS/ECDC/WHO/EMCDDA Joint Standard of Care Session**

**Chairs:** Anastasia Pharris (ECDC, Sweden), Mariana Mardarescu (Romania)

**Objectives:** To summarise and prioritise “European standards of care” for HIV, hepatitis and tuberculosis

08:30 - 08:45 Recommendations of EACS Guidelines and how they are implemented in clinical practice  
Manuel Battegay (Switzerland)

08:45 - 09:00 Testing and screening for HIV, hepatitis and TB among populations at risk  
Elena Vovc (WHO Europe, Denmark)

09:00 - 09:15 INTEGRATE project  
Dorthe Raben (HIV in Europe, Denmark)

09:15 - 09:30 Role of communities and NGOs to improve access to diagnosis and treatment of HIV/HCV and TB  
Alex Schneider (EATG, Switzerland)
09:30 - 10:25  Roundtable - Models of care for HIV and hepatitis
Moderator: Jens D. Lundgren (Denmark)
Participants: Dagmar Hedrich (EMCDDA), Michel Kazatchkine (UN),
Anastasia Pharris (ECDC), Jürgen Rockstroh (EACS),
Alex Schneider (EATG), Elena Vovc (WHO)

10:25 - 10:45  Coffee break & networking

SESSION 3
Chairs: Andrzej Horban (Poland), Pavlo Smyrnov (Ukraine)
Objectives: To update on prevention programmes for HIV, hepatitis and TB in Europe and worldwide and to outline
the main challenges for diagnosis and treatment in Central and Eastern Europe

10:45 - 11:05  What is new in prevention programmes for HIV, TB and hepatitis in Europe and worldwide
Jürgen Rockstroh (EACS President, Germany)

11:05 - 11:25  Specific challenges in key population in Romania and in Central and Eastern Europe
Adrian Streinu-Cercel (Romania)

11:25 - 11:45  HIV and hepatitis prevention programmes in Eastern Europe (Case example: Georgia)
Nikoloz Chkhartishvili (Georgia)

PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

11:45 - 11:55  The ESR-ECDC European standards of TB care
Giovanni Battista Migliori (Italy)

11:55 - 12:05  What might EACS extrapolate from the BHIVA Audit experience?
The way forward.
Chloe Orkin (United Kingdom)
Three working groups

**Workshop Session 1 - Barriers to HIV and HCV diagnosis and treatment**
Moderators: Sanjay Bhagani (United Kingdom)/ German G. Salamov (Russian Federation)
Rapporteur: Jürgen Rockstroh (Germany)
Objectives: Workshop focused on defining modalities to overcome main barriers to HIV and HCV treatment and linkage to care, with focus on key populations.

**Workshop Session 2 - HIV testing and late presentation**
Moderators: Deniz Gökengin (Turkey)/ Mike Youle (United Kingdom)
Rapporteur: Chloe Orkin (United Kingdom)
Objectives: Workshop focused on which strategies and operational methods to implement to improve the testing and get closer to the defined UNAIDS targets. It aims also at strengthening the role of the HIV clinicians in designing and implementing testing programmes and to scale-up community-based testing and self-testing.

**Workshop Session 3 - HIV and TB coinfection - Integration of HIV-TB services**
Moderators: Daria Podlekareva (Denmark)/ Cristina Mussini (Italy)
Rapporteur: Georg Behrens (Germany)
Objectives: Workshop focused on how to improve collaboration between HIV/HCV and TB services, in order to strengthen national TB health care systems and improve TB outcomes.

Cristiana Oprea to coordinate the workshop reports

14:00 - 14:55 Reports from the working groups (Discussion panel)

14:55 - 15:15 Final remarks, conclusions and statement
Jürgen Rockstroh, EACS President (Germany)

15:15 Closure of the meeting and lunch
GENERAL INFORMATION

Meeting venue
National Institute for Infectious Diseases “Prof. Dr. Matei Bals”
HIV Academy (Meeting building)
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021105 Bucharest , Romania

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