

Subject: EUCIC Roadmap 2015-2016

Dear EUCIC members,

The European Committee on Infection Control (EUCIC) has made substantial progress over the last months by further extending and implementing the European network, which now includes **23 European countries** and more than **150 members** on the different EUCIC boards.

We thank you for your support and with this newsletter we would like to inform you about the upcoming EUCIC projects.

1. Setting up of three **Working Groups (WG)**: (1) Guidance Documents WG; (2) Education WG; and (3) UEMS WG to be involved in EUCIC major projects.
2. **Definition of Minimum Set of Infection Control and Preventive Measures (ICPMs) required to fight the spread of multidrug-resistant (MDR)-Gram negatives in hospitalised European patients (Lead: Guidance Documents WG)**

The major goal of this project will be to agree which ICPMs are required in European hospitals to reduce the spread of MDR-Gram negative bacteria. After agreement the National Advisory members will define the available set of ICPMs and major limitations in implementation as well as suggest corrective measures for each European country they represent. The WG will prepare a first draft document to be discussed at the next ECCMID in Amsterdam during the EUCIC Advisory Board meeting.

3. **European Certification in Infection Control (IC) (Education WG)**

This project will set up and organise the 1st European Certification in IC running at selected European universities.

4. **Accreditation of Infection Control within the UEMS (UEMS WG)**

The major goal is to analyse and define further steps to create a UEMS section for Infection Control.

In addition to the WGs we are currently planning two shorter-term projects.

- Questionnaire on **selective reporting** of antibiotic susceptibility testing in collaboration with EUCAST and ESGAP. This survey will be sent out soon to all national representatives in the Advisory Board.
- Questionnaire on **mandatory reporting of MDR bacteria**. This survey will be sent out by December 2016 to all national representatives in the Advisory Board.



Publication policy

In publications related to projects that run through the EUCIC network all individuals who have made substantial intellectual, scientific and practical contributions to the manuscript will be credited as authors. All national representatives who provided data for projects will be included in the authorship by a group name (e.g. EUCIC Advisory Board) or listed as investigators by a group name (EUCIC-ESGAP-EUCAST-Working Group), with the names of individuals.

We look forward to working with all of you and meeting you in Amsterdam at the 2016 ECCMID!

If you have further questions feel free to contact us at any time. EUCIC@escmid.org.

With kind regards,

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