

# 30. TB in Europe: MDR-/XDR-TB control and challenges of high risk groups

Friday, 31 October 2014, 14:30 - 16:30

Room 111



**Type** Symposium

**Track** Tuberculosis

**Topic** TB in special populations and institutions

**Description** The control of drug resistant tuberculosis is a high priority identified in the post 2015 strategy for TB control. Success of concerted action within Europe to tackle drug resistance is critical to the global effort. Prevention and control of TB among high risk groups is an important part of preventing the spread of M/XDR TB in Europe. This symposium would assess the overall progress with implementing the action plan including in the diagnosis and measures to curb transmission of M/XDR TB in Europe and of treatment and innovation in service delivery in high burden settings.

**Target audience** A joint session by WHO Europe, ECDC and Urban TB in Europe group targeting national programme managers, TB clinicians and nurses, epidemiologists, public health specialists, laboratory specialists, surveillance experts, civil society organisations

**Objectives**

1. To review progress and share country experiences with the implementation of the MDR TB action plan
2. To identify specific lessons from the European context with relevance to the wider global MDR TB epidemic
3. To review the state of the art in progress towards the control and eventual elimination of TB in European

**Keywords** MDR TB; Consolidated Action Plan; TB control

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**Presentations**

**14:30 - 14:45** Epidemiology of TB in the EU/EEA: recent trends in demographic, clinical and laboratory characteristics and implications for control  
Andreas Sandgren (Sweden)

**14:50 - 15:05** Epidemiology and control of MDR TB burden in Russia.  
Irina Vasilyeva (Russian Federation)

**15:10 - 15:25** MDR-TB in Belarus, the role of psychosocial care.  
Alena Skrahina (Belarus)

**15:30 - 15:45** The Rotterdam case study: Challenges after controlling an outbreak in an urban setting  
Gerard Devries (Netherlands)

**15:50 - 16:05** Future perspectives: progress with the implementation of the action plan to date and where next?  
Masoud Dara (Denmark)

**16:10 - 16:30** Discussion