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EpiSouth Activities

The EpiSouth Network web-site has been revised and a new version is now on-line.

On the basis of an assessment survey on the strengths and weaknesses of the already existing web-site conducted among all the EpiSouth Focal Points, the content of the network's web-site has been revamped in order to offer an improved navigation system.

In order to focus the attention on what the EpiSouth Network does and produces, a new approach has been used, organizing the web-site in topics and activities with dedicated sub-pages for each of them.

[Visit the web-site](#)

The EpiSouth Network

Starting as an EU project, the EpiSouth Network struggled to develop its Mediterranean vocation. From an initial involvement of 5 countries (Italy, Spain, France, Greece, and Bulgaria), it finally includes ALL the Mediterranean countries (27 countries from Southern Europe, Balkans, Middle East, and Northern Africa) and partners from collaborating institutions.

The EpiSouth Project has been closed in June 2010 but the network activities are continuing in 2010-2013 through the EU-funded Project called "EpiSouth Plus"

[Participating Countries and Institutions](#)

EpiSouth Events

The [first EpiSouth-Plus Steering Committee Meeting](#) has been held in Luxembourg on 3 February 2011

[Agenda](#)

The EpiSouth Network activities have been presented at the following meetings:

[Mecids Executive Boarding Meeting](#), Jerusalem, Israel 26-27 November 2010
[Agenda and presentation](#)

[EWRS Meeting](#), Luxembourg 1-2 December 2010
[Agenda and presentation](#)

[International Meeting on Emerging Diseases and Surveillance \(IMED\)](#), Vienna, Austria 4-7 February 2011
[Programme and presentation \(WP1\)](#)
[Programme and presentation \(WP6\)](#)

EpiSouth Documents

A leaflet describing the Network and the EpiSouth-Plus Project is available on-line.

[Project Leaflet](#)

Focus Topic

The third IHR implementation course (third IHR i-course), developed in collaboration with the University of Pretoria, South Africa, Georgetown University Law Center, USA, the University of Geneva, Switzerland and Institut Bioforce Développement, France is going to start in September 2011.

The objectives of this course are to strengthen critical human resources engaged to set-up and manage systems for securing global public health under the IHR implementation framework, and to develop communication capacities for efficient international collaboration.

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