

Work Packages (WP) - Overview

WP 1: Coordination of the Joint Action: 1.8.2011-31.7.2014

Description: Actions undertaken to manage the project and to make sure that it is implemented as planned

Leader: RKI, Roland Grunow; **Co-leader:** INMI, Giuseppe Ippolito

WP 2: Dissemination of the joint action: 1.10.2011-31.7.2014

Description: Actions undertaken to ensure that the results and deliverables of the project will be made available to the target groups

Leader: INMI, Maria R.Capobianchi; **Co-leader:** RKI, Anna Rohleder

WP 3: Evaluation of the joint action: 1.11.2011-31.7.2014

Description: Actions undertaken to verify if the project is being implemented as planned and reaches the objectives

Leader: PUM, Markus Eickmann; **Co-leader:** Advisory Board, contact: tbd; Steering Committee, contact: tbd

WP 4: External Quality Assurance Exercises: 1.01.2012-31.03.2014

Description: To enhance laboratory preparedness and response capabilities for the detection of highly pathogenic bacterial and viral agents through External Quality Assurance Exercises to develop an accepted laboratory diagnostic strategy and capabilities that ensure a robust early diagnosis system

Leader: RKI, Uschi Sauer; **Co-leader:** PUM, Markus Eickmann

WP 5: Setting up of Repositories for Reference materials: 01.11.2011-30.06.2014

Description: To establish repositories of well characterized reference materials representing highly infectious bacterial and viral samples

Leader: RKI, Daniela Jacob; **Co-leader:** INMI, Antonino Di Caro

WP 6: Training on best diagnostic practices and biosafety/biosecurity: 01.12.2011-31.01.2014

Description: To perform training of personnel and exchange of experience between network partners for best diagnostic practices for highly pathogenic bacteria and viruses as well as on biosafety and biosecurity in handling these pathogens

Leader: NIPH, Per Sandven; **Co-leader:** HPA, Roger Hewson

WP7: Application and further improvement of checklists for biosafety and biosecurity evaluation: 01.04.2012-30.04.2014

Description: To further approve and disseminate definitive checklists outlining the engineering, primary and secondary containment strategies, building design and infrastructure, integrated specialised equipment, disinfection, and biosecurity issues for risk group 3 and 4 pathogens

Leader: RKI, Roland Grunow; **Co-leader:** Graham Lloyd, Expert Consultant

WP 8: Support to coordination of laboratory response to cross-border events with highly infectious pathogens: 1.10.2011-31.7.2014

Description: To set up a Working Group producing recommendations for the support of operational response to Health threats events of highly infectious pathogens, focussing on laboratory issues (deployment at EU remote areas and outside the EU, risk assessment, field training, coordination of response)

Leader: INMI, Francesco Maria Fusco; **Co-leader:** RKI, Roland Grunow