

Friday 10 November 2006

- 09:00 - 09:30 **Opening ceremony**
- Plenary 1: The challenge of antimicrobial resistance**
- 09:30 - 10:00 **The key antimicrobial resistance challenges of the 21st century**
C. Bal, Turkey
- 10:00 - 10:30 **Epidemiology of resistance in the Euro-Mediterranean region: ARMed & EARSS data**
N. van der Sande, Netherlands
- 10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee break**
- 11:00 - 11:30 **Does antimicrobial resistance matter to the patient? to the healthcare facility? to the country?**
F. Baquero, Spain / ESCMID
- 11:30 - 12:00 **The role of the microbiology laboratory in antimicrobial resistance initiatives**
G. Kahlmeter, Sweden / ESCMID
- 12:00 - 12:30 **European recommendations for antimicrobial resistance surveillance**
G. Cornaglia, Italy / ESCMID
- 12:30 - 14:00 **Lunch**
- Plenary 2: Infection control in healthcare settings**
- 14:00 - 14:30 **Regional status of infection control initiatives**
B. Cookson, UK
- 14:30 - 15:00 **What makes a cost-effective infection control programme in limited resources?**
O. Rasslan, Egypt
- 15:00 - 15:30 **Infection control in high endemic countries: is the battle lost?**
G. French, UK
- 15:30 - 16:00 **Coffee break**
- 16:30 - 17:00 **Global Safety campaign on hand hygiene**
D. Pittet, Switzerland / W.H.O.
- 16:00 - 16:30 **Surveillance of healthcare associated infections**
Speaker to be announced

Saturday 11 November 2006

- Plenary 3: *Improving the use of antibiotics***
- 09:00 - 09:30 **Is antimicrobial resistance related to consumption and if so, what can we do about it?**
D. Monnet, Denmark
- 09:30 - 10:00 **Antibiotic consumption in the Mediterranean: what do we know and what more do we need to know?**
M. Ferech, Czech Republic
- 10:00 - 10:30 **Can we really change hospital prescribing practices & is it worthwhile?**
A. Antoniadou, Greece
- 10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee break**
- 11:00 - 11:30 **Self-medication with antibiotics in the ambulatory care setting**
E. Scicluna, Malta
- 11:30 - 12:00 **Strategies for better use of antimicrobials in the community**
H. Goossens, Belgium
- 12:00 - 12:30 **Socio-cultural aspects of antimicrobial use and resistance in the Mediterranean**
M. Borg, Malta
- 12:30 - 14:00 **Lunch**
- Workshops: *Concurrent sessions on***
- 14:00 - 15:30 **Antimicrobial resistance**
H. Grundmann (Netherlands), D. Gür (Turkey)
- Antibiotic use**
H. Goossens (Belgium), P. Zarb (Malta)
- Infection Control**
B. Cookson (UK), M. Benbachir (Morocco)
- 15:30 - 16:00 **Coffee break**
- 16:00 - 17:30 **Continuation of workshops**

Sunday 12 November 2006

Plenary 4:	Addressing the Microbial Threat
09:00 - 09:30	Can we stem the ever increasing tide of antibiotic resistance? <i>H. Grundmann, Netherlands</i>
09:30 - 10:00	W.H.O. strategy on antimicrobial resistance and initiatives in the EMRO region <i>N. Metwalli, Egypt / W.H.O.</i>
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 - 11:00	EU response to the Microbial Threat <i>A. Lonnroth, Sweden / European Commission</i>
11:00 - 11:30	European Strategies for International Research Cooperation <i>M. Fernandes, Portugal / European Commission</i>
11:30 - 12:00	Workshop reports <i>Rapporteurs</i>
12:00 - 12:20	General discussion
12:20 - 12:30	Conference conclusions & recommendations
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
