

Webinars



Keeping up with Reality and Quality: A Challenge for European Blood Establishments

Horizon Scanning Methodology

27-29 October 2020

9:00-9:15

OPENING SESSION & WELCOME ADDRESS

Susanne Keitel, Director, EDQM, Council of Europe
Andrzej Rys, Director, Health Systems, Medical Products and Innovation, DG SANTE, European Commission

9:15-12:00

10 YEARS OF CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF BLOOD TRANSFUSION

Moderator: Richard Forde, EDQM, Council of Europe

Rapporteur: Stefaan Van der Spiegel, European Commission

9:15-9:30

20 years of European Commission (EC) governance in the field of blood

Andrzej Rys, Director, DG-SANTE, European Commission

9:30-10:00

60 years of Council of Europe governance in the field of blood

Susanne Keitel, Director, EDQM, Council of Europe

10:00-10:20

10 years of EC & EDQM co-operation in the field of blood: Achievements

Laurent Mallet, EDQM, Council of Europe

10:20-10:40



10:40-10:55

EC & EDQM Collaboration: Towards the future in the blood sector

Marie-Laure Hecquet, EDQM, Council of Europe

10:55-11:10

EC & EDQM Collaboration: Towards the future in other SoHO sectors

Marta Lopez-Fraga, EDQM, Council of Europe

11:10 -11:25

Update on the Evaluation of the EU SoHO legislation

Stefaan Van der Spiegel, European Commission

11:25-11:40

Setting the Scene

Marie-Laure Hecquet, EDQM, Council of Europe




11:40-12:10



QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION – Panel discussion

12:10

Close of the morning session

- 14:00-17:30** **THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC – IMPACT ON THE CONTINUITY OF BLOOD SUPPLY & LESSONS LEARNT**
Moderator: Sheila MacLennan, Chair, European Committee (Partial Agreement) on Blood Transfusion (CD-P-TS)
Rapporteur: Ína Björg Hjálmarsdóttir, The Blood Bank, Landspítali University Hospital, Iceland
- 14:00-14:20 **COVID-19 and the blood sector: Risks, response measures and developments**
Dragoslav Domanovic, European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), Sweden
- 14:20-14:40 **Regulatory/Competent authority viewpoint: Experience and lessons learnt from the COVID-19 pandemic**
Verena Plattner, Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety (AGES), Austria
- 14:40-15:00 **Blood Establishment (BE) viewpoint, how to rely on the QMS during COVID-19: Experience and lessons learnt**
Samantha Rowlands, NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT), UK
- 15:00-15:20**  **BREAK**
- 15:20-15:40 **BE's viewpoint, maintaining critical processes in the time of COVID-19: Focus on collection and transportation**
Jaap van den Blink and Francis Swaneveld, Sanquin, the Netherlands
- 15:40-16:00 **The importance of ensuring business continuity for BEs**
Paul McKinney, Irish Blood Transfusion Service (IBTS), Ireland
- 16:00-16:45  **QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION - Panel discussion**
- 16:45-17:30  **POSTER PRESENTATIONS on the impact of COVID-19**
- 17:30** **Close of day 1**

9:00-11:30

**GLOBALISATION OF THE SUPPLIER MARKETPLACE – STATE OF PLAY,
OPPORTUNITIES AND ISSUES IN THE BLOOD SECTOR**

Moderator: Stéphane Bégué, Etablissement Français du Sang (EFS), France

Rapporteur: Karen Byrne, Irish Blood Transfusion Service (IBTS), Ireland

9:00-9:20

Implementation of the EU procurement law in BE Quality Systems: Challenges and Issues

Paul Behan, Irish Blood Transfusion Service (IBTS), Ireland

9:20-9:40

Key challenges in supply management, BE perspective

Alex Aquilina, National Blood Transfusion Centre, Malta, on behalf of the EDQM Blood Quality Management (B-QM) Working Group

9:40-10:00



BREAK

10:00-10:20

Challenges in auditing suppliers, BE perspective

Stéphane Bégué, Etablissement Français du Sang (EFS), France

10:20-10:40

Business continuity to ensure blood supply, viewpoint of a supplier

Nigel Talboys, Blood Transfusion Association (BTA), Belgium

10:40-11:30



QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION – Panel discussion

11:30-12:00



ORAL TESTIMONIAL –

Alina Dobrota, Regional Blood Centre, Constanta, Romania

12:00

Close of the morning session

14:00-17:00 **NEW REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT FOR MEDICAL DEVICES: STATE OF PLAY, OPPORTUNITIES AND ISSUES IN THE BLOOD SECTOR**

Moderator: Stephen Vardy, NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT), UK
Rapporteur: Margarida Amil, Blood Quality Management (B-QM) Working Group, EDQM

14:00-14:20 **MD/IVD EU regulations: Overview and Implementation**

Paul Piscoi, European Commission

14:20 – 14:40 **Impact of MD EU regulations on suppliers and their relations with BEs**

Pascale Van Hoydonck, Blood Transfusion Association (BTA), Belgium

14:40-15:00 **Impact of MD/IVD EU regulations on IT systems and in-house testing methods in BEs**

Ulrik Sprogøe, Odense University Hospital, Denmark

15:00-15:20



15:20-15:40 **Reclassification of DEHP: Impact on BEs**

Dirk de Korte, European Blood Alliance (EBA), the Netherlands

15:40-16:00 **EDQM Blood Proficiency Testing Scheme (B-PTS) Programme: Considerations for Common Technical Specifications**

Richard Forde, EDQM, Council of Europe

16:00-16:40



QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION - *Panel discussion*

16:40-17:00



POSTER PRESENTATION on *DEHT a potential substitute for DEHP*

17:00

Close of day 2

09:00 – 12:00 **HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, CHANGING SCOPE OF PRACTICE: STATE OF PLAY, OPPORTUNITIES AND ISSUES IN THE BLOOD SECTOR**

*Moderator: Craig Spalding, Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service (SNBTS), UK
Rapporteur: Mariëlle van Roosmalen, Sanquin, Netherlands*

09:00 – 09:20 **Impulse presentation: State of Play**
Marie-Laure Hecquet, EDQM, Council of Europe

09:20 – 09:40 **EU law on Healthcare Professionals - what does it say?**
Tamara K. Hervey, University of Sheffield, UK

09:40 – 10:00 **Change of scope of practice of health professionals in BEs**
Christof Jungbauer, Austrian Red Cross, Austria

10:00 – 10:20



10:20 – 10:40 **Change of scope of practice of health professionals in BEs, Finnish experience**
Johanna Castrén, Finnish Red Cross Blood Service, Finland

10:40 – 11:00 **Towards model approaches**
Craig Spalding, Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service (SNBTS), UK, on behalf of the EDQM Blood Quality Management (B-QM) Working Group

11:00 -11:30  **QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION - Panel discussion**

11:30 – 12:00  **ORAL TESTIMONIAL**
Anthi Gafou, General Oncology Hospital "OI AGIOI ANAGYROI", Greece

12:00 **Close of the morning session**

13:50-16:30 **WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT BLOOD ESTABLISHMENTS & ENSURE CONTINUITY OF SUPPLY:
TOWARDS THE FUTURE**

*Moderator: Alex Aquilina, National Blood Transfusion Centre, Malta
Rapporteur: Virpi Kiuru, Finnish Red Cross Blood Service, Finland*

13:50-14:10  **POSTER PRESENTATION on strengthening the blood transfusion service in the Republic of Moldova**

14:10 – 14:30 **EDQM/EU initiative on Contingency planning for the blood sector, a concerted effort**

Richard Forde, EDQM, Council of Europe

14:30-15:00 **Supporting initiatives to help European BEs to have more resilient and sustainable blood systems:
Initiatives from EC (DG-SANTE, DG-REFORM, DG-NEAR, DG-DEVCO) and EDQM**

*Stefaan Van der Spiegel, European Commission
Maria-Isabel Farfan Camacho, European Commission
Marie-Laure Hecquet, EDQM, Council of Europe*

15:00-15:30 **Oral Testimonials of BEs from EU and Council of Europe Member States: Added value of European initiatives**

*Socrates Menelaou, Cyprus Blood Establishment, Cyprus
Gordana Rasovic, Institute for Blood Transfusion, Montenegro*

15:30-16:30  **QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION**

**PRESENTATIONS BY THE SESSION MODERATOR
& DISCUSSIONS ON THE CONFERENCE OUTCOMES**

16:30-16:45 **Closing remarks**