

TRAINING SEMINAR

Towards higher patient safety in EU hospitals. Innovation in hygiene & sanification to reduce healthcare associated infections and antimicrobial resistance.

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Elisabetta Caselli

Academic Biologist with PhD in Biotechnology, Associate professor in Microbiology, at the Section of Microbiology and Medical Genetics of the Department of Medical Sciences, University of Ferrara (Italy). Member of the Director Board of CIAS research center and of the Teachers Collegium of PhD in Molecular Medicine of the University of Ferrara. Member of the Italian Society of Microbiology (SIM), Italian Society of Virology (SIV), and Healthcare Infection Society (HIS). Current areas of interest include clinical bacteriology and microbiome role in different biological environments, healthcare-associated infections (HAI) and antimicrobial resistance (AMR), clinical virology and immunovirology. The research activity has produced over 70 original papers in international journals.



Daniele Celotto

Graduated as a Medical Doctor in the University of Udine in 2014. He is a resident in Hygiene and Preventive Medicine, working since 2015 in the Accreditation and Clinical Risk Management Unit in Udine Academic Hospital. Since 2016, he has been working on the influenza vaccination campaigns for healthcare workers. He has held training courses for medical doctors and healthcare workers on patient safety and clinical risk management in acute and chronic care settings. Since 2017, he has been collaborating with the European Network to Promote Infection Prevention for Patient Safety (EUNETIPS) board, where he has been taking part in studies on infection prevention and control.

Flora Kontopidou



Internal Medicine doctor specialized in Infectious Diseases with clinical and research experience in healthcare settings with critically ill patients and high resistance levels. She worked as an infectious disease and infection control consultant in intensive care units and in surgical departments in one of the biggest University General Hospitals in Athens. Since the end of 2009, she is working at Hellenic-CDCP and currently, she is the Head of Healthcare Associated Infections and Antimicrobial Resistance Office of HCDCP, which is responsible for the surveillance of AMR indicators, the training of HCPs, and the promotion of the proper use of antibiotics in the community and hospital settings. HAIs & AMR Office - HCDCP is the leader of WP.6.1 of EU-JAMRAI regarding the control and prevention of HAIs and AMR in healthcare settings.

George Griffin



President of the Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM), he gained BSc in Pharmacology and Molecular Biology at King's College London Sciences, where he was awarded the Delegacy Prize for Excellence in Preclinical Science. He was awarded PhD in Cell Biology/Biochemistry, University of Hull. Professor Griffin's postgraduate training paralleled basic and clinical science. He has chaired scientific advisory boards in major pharmaceutical industry in the USA and UK. He has been chair and member of major Wellcome, Medical Research Council and Gates Foundation committees. He was censor at the Royal College of Physicians. He was appointed to the board of Public Health England where he will help shape strategy for research and clinical development. His research has focussed on the host response to infection at cell, molecular and whole body level. Such work involves immune and metabolic responses in vivo in humans.



Brian Maguire

Brussels-based journalist, producer and broadcaster, specialised in European politics and business; producing short documentary films exploring Europe's competing policy dimensions. He hosts live radio and television debates with European Commissioners, Members of the European Parliament and independent experts, and was co-anchor for one of the live European Presidential debates during the 2014 elections. A graduate in Government and Law, he has worked across a broad range of publications, especially within the business-to-business sector.



Daniela Quaggia

Senior projects coordinator, graduated in Communication Science and with a 2nd level University Master degree in Institutional Communication. Has been working in Cittadinanzattiva for 4 years in the Institutional relation office; since January 2010 she is member of the Active Citizenship Network staff and project manager of EU projects related on health and citizens involvement. He is also responsible of the networking activities and internal communication among the almost 100 EU partners of ACN, working for exchange of information, experiences and good practices, involvement in project and political activities.

Mariano Votta



Public affairs professional and journalist, is the Director of Active Citizenship Network (ACN), the international branch of the Italian NGO Cittadinanzattiva, where he is responsible for European Affairs. Since 2013, he has been actively involved as ACN stepped up its advocacy activities at the European Institutions, which in 2015 led to the opening of a representative office in Brussels and above all - to the launch of the MEP Interest Group "European Patients' Rights & Cross-Border Healthcare", promoted with the endorsement of almost 100 organizations across Europe. Furthermore, in 2016, Mariano won the Efhre International University Excellence Awards on patients' rights. Passionate about healthcare and consumer issues, he has more than 17 years of experience in the field of advocacy, stakeholder engagement, European projects, communication and civic information.