

**EMRIC+ Symposium, Maastricht 29.11.2013 8:30-18:00**

Venue location: MECC Maastricht - Forum 100 - 6229 GV Maastricht, Niederlande

EMRIC+ ist the fundamental base for the joint development of know-how and exchange of experiences in the area of cooperation reaching beyond borders. These know-how, will be further inspected in five different sub-symposia during the **EMRIC+ symposium**. Renowned speakers are guaranteed to present an interesting program.

**Please note:**

**Only invited and registered guests may participate in the symposium.**

**8:30 – 9:00 Registration and coffee**

**9:00 – 9:30 Opening**

**9:45 – 12:30 Symposium I:**

**13:30 – 17:00 Symposium I:**

*Crossborder Infection and Environmental Hazards: Challenges and Solutions*

Cross-border regions often have the treat of international infectious disease outbreaks and environmental cross-border accidents. There is an urgent need of rapid transnational detection and response, improved international cooperation and integration of surveillance, and response systems. This symposium will highlight the challenges for EU regions – including differences in legislation, medical infrastructure and culture – and discuss shared solutions such as euregional protocols for public health and hospitals or real-time cross-border dashboards.

**Speakers:**

Prof.dr. Christian Hoebe (Chair) – GGD Zuid Limburg (NL)

Dr. Karl-Heinz Feldhoff – regional health office Heinsberg (D)

Dr. Martin Schweiger - Public Health England (UK)

Dr. Fred Woudenberg - GG&GD Amsterdam (NL)

Drs. Cindy Gielkens and Drs. Henriëtte ter Waarbeek - GGD Zuid Limburg (NL)

Dr. Chakib Kara-Zaitri - University of Bradford and inFact (UK)

Prof.dr. Paul Savelkoul (Chair) – Medisch Universitair Centrum Maastricht (NL)

Prof.dr. Alex Friedrich - Medisch Universitair Centrum Groningen (NL)

Dr. Paolo Guglielmetti - European Commission, Health Threats Unit – SANCO

Prof. Koen de Schrijver – University Antwerpen (B)

Dr. Aura Timen - RIVM/Centrum voor Infectieziektebestrijding (centrum for infectious disease control) (NL)

**Projectleader:**

Henriëtte ter Waarbeek GGD Zuid Limburg (NL)

**9:30 – 12:30 Symposium II:**

**13:30 – 16:30 Symposium II: (both symposiums have the same content)**

Cross-border hazard control CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radioactiv, Nuclear)

Finding of the sup-project groups CBRN red (protection, behavior, detection) and white (countermeasures, treatment, medical provision), risk awareness, prospects

*The symposium will demonstrate coordinated cross-border rescue operations by the country's specific resources and competences. Additionally, the utilization of several specialized competences will be demonstrated. The competences of the various consultants (medical, chemical, fire department, technical assistance organization (THW) etc.) should be determined based on measurements, examples, advice from the population in CBRN hazardous situations. The purpose of doing this is to get a broad hazard estimation.*

**Speakers:**

Theo Goertz ( CBRN consultant region Heinsberg)

Hartmut Prast (CBRN consultant Städteregion (city region) Aachen)

Cindy Gielkens (GGD Zuid Limburg);

Lisbeth Hall, RIVM

Frans Greven, Toxicologist GGD Groningen

Sven Evertz (Scientific project coordinator Institute of Hygiene and Environmental Medicine University Hospital Aachen)

**Projectleader:**

Teilprojektleiter CBRN red Theo Goertz CBRN consultant Kreis Heinsberg

**9:30 – 11:00 Symposium III:**

**13:30 – 15:00 Symposium III: panaldiscussion**

EUMED, offering euregional help to each other in case of urgent medical cases - an archetype for Europe

- 1 Central European Trauma Network (BTCCE = Boundless Trauma Care Central Europe)
- 2 Euregio-protocol for rescue operations/TEMRAS
- 3 EUMIC laying down borders in the area of interhospital transportation of patients in intensive care
- 4 Vehicle demonstration (vehicles for intensive care patients)

There are different sorts of trauma cooperation projects in central Europe. Especially the experience in cross-border cooperation in this field will strengthen the learn effect and direct the attention of legislator's towards cross-border issues. The cross-border practices in the Euregio Meuse-Rhine have saved many lives so far.

On the basis of the national protocol on rescue operations in the Netherlands bilingual versions (German/Dutch) have been created. The vision is to create uniform protocols for the Euregio Meuse-Rhine. Telemedic support (TEMRAS) of the helpers could also be of additional benefit. This cooperation of rescue services, that has been in practice for several years, could be brought to a new level by increased standard of care, standard of quality, and standard of safety. The protocol in the Euregio could also be used as an archetype for all of Europe.

Transport of ICU patients is risky and takes a lot of people, resources and money. The Eumicproject wants both a concept to improve the quality of care and efficiency and also conduct a study to establish quality criteria and transport modalities.

**Speaker:**

Prof. med. Hans-Christoph Pape (Professor and Chairman Department of Orthopaedic Trauma University of Aachen Medical Center, Department of Orthopaedic Trauma)

Dr. med. Jochen Jansen (Deelprojectleider Euregionale Ambulanceprotocollen/Anesthesioloog GGD Zuid Limburg)

Dr. med. Joachim Habers (Ärztliche Leitung (medical director EMS) Rettungsdienst Städteregion Aachen)

Dr. Stefan Beckers (Ärztliche Leitung (medical director EMS) Rettungsdienst der Stadt Aachen)

Dr. med. Uli Strauch (Anesthesiologist Intensivist at Maastricht UMC+)

**Moderator:**

Dr. med. Frank Klaassen (Chair of the directorate GGD Zuid-Limburg)

**09:45 – 10:30 Symposium IV:**

**13:30 – 14:15 Symposium IV: (both symposiums have the same content)**

Realistic demonstration of accidents and emergencies (RUD / RND)

What exactly are realistic demonstration of accidents and emergencies? Where do the differences lie and what kind of experiences have been made in cross-border cooperation?

How will the cooperation be pursued in the future and which financial models could be used?

How do you reach the specialists for realistic demonstration of accidents and emergencies?

**Speaker:**

Andreas Bimmermann

**Projectleader:**

Andreas Bimmermann

**11:00 – 12:30 Symposium V:**

**15:30 – 17:00 Symposium V: (both symposiums have the same content)**

Crisis communication/Risk communication

„What you should know...!“

Risk communication - a theoretical introduction:

cross-border communication about risks in the three neighbouring countries. How and about what the country's citizens are informed.

Crisis communication – in theory:

How is the information conveyed in the chain of decision makers? What is being communicated to whom? How important is it to know each other in such a case or to have rehearsed such communication practices.

Crisis communication – in practice:

The technology makes it possible – with the help of an App, that has been designed just for this purpose, the appropriate services and people will be quickly informed. This way the necessary contact can be made possible. Nennung aller Sprecher.

*Projectleader:*

*M.A. Marian Ramakers-van Kuijk MCDM*

*Speaker:*

*Monique van Spijker*

*Ruud Houdijk (Houdijk Consultancy)*

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Please note: changes in program might apply

The EMRIC+ project has the following partners:

Veiligheidsregio Zuid-Limburg, Onderdeel Brandweer (leadpartner)

GGD Zuid Limburg

Städteregion Aachen

Kreis Heinsberg

Provincie Limburg België

Provincie Luik België

Das Deutsche Rote Kreuz, Kreisverband Städteregion Aachen

There are more than 140 collaborators and more than 40 organisations from Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and the UK involved in the EMRIC+ project.

The symposium is being organized by

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