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Civil Society

Call for One Health Good Practices for the successful management of AMR

The [AMR Stakeholder Network](#) is collecting examples of [good practices in tackling AMR](#), to support our advocacy work for greater coordinated action at EU and national level.

Submissions will be evaluated by a Selection Committee made up of members of the AMR Stakeholder Network with expertise in the different One Health areas of AMR.

Please send your best practice examples to support the study. Any attachments in support of your submission can be sent to Zoltan Massay-Kosubek at zoltan@epha.org. Please contact him if you have any questions about the process.

The **deadline** for submission of best practices is: **29 January 2021 | 17:00 CET**

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European & International Organisations

European Antibiotic Awareness Day 2020

ECDC

On 18 November, the ECDC launched its 2020 digital campaign to further raise awareness among health professionals and the public of the importance of continuing the fight against antimicrobial resistance to preserve the effectiveness of antimicrobials

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ECDC releases Annual Epidemiological Report for 2019

ECDC

EARS-Net data for 2019 displayed wide variations in the occurrence of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) across the EU/EEA depending on the bacterial species, antimicrobial group and geographical region.

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EU adoption of the Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe

European Commission

On 25 November 2020, the European Commission published its long-awaited Communication setting out a new "Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe".

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High Profile 'Global Leaders Group' To Tackle Worldwide Threat Of Drug Resistant Pathogens

World Health Organization

The WHO announced the launch of a One Health Global Leaders Group on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), to raise the political profile of the threat posed by drug-resistant bacteria, viruses and other microbes

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Antibiotic Resistance Symbol

EU-JAMRAI called to action individuals from all over the world to find the first global symbol that represents the threat of #AntibioticResistance. Something tangible, that anyone, anywhere, can make at home and wear proudly.

[DOWNLOAD THE MATERIALS AND TEMPLATES](#)

Are you an Antibiotic Expert?

Test your knowledge on antibiotics and antimicrobial resistance by taking this quiz!

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MEP Interest Group on AMR

The [MEP Interest Group on AMR](#) hosted three online discussions in the run up to European Antibiotic Awareness Day on how to boost efforts to tackle AMR in the EU.

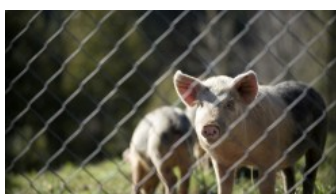
Find out more about each event and watch the discussions by following the links below:



AMR in the environment: From monitoring to action

The panelists discussed how the upcoming EU Pharmaceutical Strategy could address the environmental implications of production, use and disposal of antimicrobials, what could be done to achieve a zero-pollution ambition in relation to antimicrobial residues, and the lessons which could be learned from Member States to address environmental AMR

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Tackling the dependence of EU food systems on antimicrobials

The panelists discussed how the Farm to Fork Strategy and the Common Agricultural Policy could help the EU move towards a food system that is less dependent on the use of antimicrobials, and how the EU could protect people living in Europe from the exposure and spread of AMR through third-country imports of animal products, while ensuring European farmers do not face unfair competition from animal foods produced to lower antibiotic use standards.

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Fixing the antibiotic innovation pipeline

The panelists discussed how the development of new needs-driven models to finance and stimulate antibiotic R&D could be supported and how the EU could promote R&D models that ensure responsible use of and equitable and affordable access to antibiotics.

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European & International Media



EU ponders new incentives for novel antibiotics

Euractiv

The European Commission will examine specific incentives and a new pricing system to develop innovative antibiotics in its pharmaceutical strategy, in a bid to take a more ambitious stance against the rising threat of anti-microbial resistance (AMR).

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"Securing Europe's medicine supplies in a post-COVID world"

Parliament Magazine

It should not be up to China or other third countries to decide whether we in Europe have access to sufficient medicines; we need security of supply, says Peter Liese.

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Farm animals antibiotics data raises post-Brexit trade fears

The Guardian

The overuse of antibiotics on farm animals is rife in some of the key countries with which the UK is hoping to strike a post-Brexit trade deal, a new report shows, raising fears that future deals will jeopardise public health and British farming.

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National Media

UK halves veterinary sales of antibiotics in five years

The Pig Site

New data on antibiotic sales show that UK farmers and veterinarians have been working together to use antibiotics responsibly.

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Antibiotic resistance, a challenge for the future

Il Foglio

Bleak predictions of resistant germ infections. Antibiotics must be put to good use.

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Fight against antibiotic resistance: the use of antibiotics on the decline in French farms

Le Monde

The use of antibiotics on farm animals and pets fell overall in 2019 in France, announced the National Food Safety Agency (ANSES) on Wednesday, November 18th

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Antibiotic resistance remains a major problem, studies.

Swissinfo

The phenomenon of bacterial resistance to antibiotics remains a major challenge in Switzerland. While the national strategy in this area has led to a reduction in treatments in veterinary medicine, in the human sphere the room for improvement is still high, as indicated by two reports of the federal administration published this month.

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“Antibiotic resistance is a silent pandemic”. The alarm of the ISS: "In Italy 10 thousand deaths a year, record in the EU". Worst situation in the Center and South

Il Fatto Quotidiano

The Higher Institute of Health has published the latest data from the national surveillance of antibiotic resistance, for 2019, which concern a select group of eight pathogens and the numbers are not comforting

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Wellcome calls for more focused antimicrobial resistance agenda in a New Report

Wellcome Trust

To construct the report, the Wellcome Trust spent the last year speaking with 150 experts from the public health, policy, and scientific communities to craft a strategy for addressing drug resistance in a post-COVID world. The report highlights important findings.

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Covid -19, misinformation, and antimicrobial resistance

The BMJ

Fragile healthcare systems in many parts of the world may not withstand the covid-19 pandemic if also faced with a substantial increase in antimicrobial resistance. We must tackle the twin pandemics of covid-19 and misinformation simultaneously.

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