

## ESGB Newsletter November 2025

Dear ESGB Member

In this newsletter we will announce two upcoming Webinars/Biofilm Corner, a new ad hoc member of the ESGB executive committee (EC) and two short messages.

### Two highly interesting Webinars (Biofilm Corners) are approaching

- Biofilm Corner organized by ESGB on Innovative strategies for biofilm eradication and new possibilities in tackling biofilm-associated infections, **December the 10th 14-15 PM (CET).**

Chaired by Helena Bujdakova (Slovakia)

**"Potential for Cold Plasma-based therapies for Orthopaedic Infection, Prevention and Control" by Paula Bourke (Ireland)**, Head of School & Professor, School of Biosystems and Food Engineering, University College Dublin.

**"Photodynamic Inactivation as a Strategy for Biofilm Eradication" by Joanna Nakonieczna (Poland)**, Associate Professor, Intercollegiate Faculty of Biotechnology of the University of Gdańsk and Medical University of Gdańsk.

- Webinar co-organized by ESGB and the ESGNI on environmental biofilms, **December 12th 12:30-13:30 PM (CET).**

Chaired by: Cansu Cimen-vanDijck (Belgium) and Margreet Vos (Netherlands)

**'Safety, Speed, Savings and Sustainability when combatting AMR and drain biofilms', by Dr Manjula Meda UK**, PhD, MBBS, FRCPath, MSc, DipHIC. Consultant clinical microbiologist and Infection prevention doctor. Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust. Chair, Healthcare Infection Society. Visiting Clinical senior lecturer, University of Surrey. Infection Speciality Lead, South Central RRDN

**'Sinks, water, waste traps and drains in relation to CRE and other Gram-negatives' by PhD Paz Aranega Bou (Spain)**, Bsc, Unit Head, Porton Down Laboratory, Food, Water & Environmental Microbiology Network.

### New ad hoc member of ESGB

- Recently we engaged Margherita Cacaci PhD, Dipartimento di Scienze biotecnologiche di base, cliniche intensivologiche e perioperatorie, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Largo Vito 1, 00168, Roma as a new ad hoc member of the ESGB. We highly welcome Margherita.

If you are interested in such a position please contact us – we can engage 1-2 more.

**Next EUROBIOFILM organizer.**

- We haven't received any other candidates for organizing the EUROBIOFILMS 2028, and if no more suggestions come up, we will announce the next EBF organizer in the December Newsletter.

Kind regards from the executive committee of ESGB