Target Audience
Up to 150 infectious diseases physicians, public health physicians, microbiologists, trainers, occupational health specialists, travel medicine physicians, nurses, academics.

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Picture outside: Amoebic liver abscess in a recent immigrant from India to Oman, © Eskild Petersen

Picture inside: Escur in a Nepalese patient admitted with scrub typhus 7 days after arriving in Oman, © Eskild Petersen

Course Objectives
• To highlight the initiatives for monitoring migrants’ health, prevent and control infectious diseases in migrants in GCC and EMRO
• To discuss the impact of migrants on the health systems of the hosting countries especially for vaccine preventable diseases, importation of communicable diseases and AMR
• To present the ways to enhance GCC / EMRO preparedness for infectious diseases in migrants during peace and conflict
• To highlight the importance of intergovernmental and international organizations collaboration required to address migrants’ health needs in GCC / EMRO
• To discuss the role and impact of migrants on the elimination programs for TB, malaria, HIV and hepatitis B and C viruses, and what strategies countries can follow to address the challenge
• To discuss the ways on how countries can establish surveillance and integrated research for migrants’ health

Organizers
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• ESCMID Study Group for Epidemiological Markers – ESGEM
• ESCMID Study Group for Clinical Parasitology – ESGCP
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Course Programme

Thursday, 8 March 2018

Morning
Demography of the EMRO and GCC countries
- Demography of the population of GCC and the diversity of the health systems in these countries. To be confirmed
- Public health: aspects of migration in the WHO EMRO: setting the scene. To be confirmed
- The current situation: migration at a global, regional and national levels. To be confirmed
- GCC regulations in migrants’ health. Basheer Al-Sufiani
  - Addressing the preventive health measures in areas of conflict in EMRO, opportunities and challenges? To be confirmed

Public health emergencies in the EMRO and GCC countries
- Public health emergencies in areas of conflict in EMRO? How neighbouring countries can plan preventive measures? To be confirmed
- Developing and sustaining public health services during conflict – the WHO perspective. To be confirmed

Afternoon
Life as a migrant
- The new ECDC guidelines for migrant health. Teymur Noori
  - Effect of non-communicable diseases and lifestyle on migrants’ health. Ymkje Stienstra
- Equity, access to healthcare and human rights. Manuel Corballo
  - Supporting health coordination, assessment, planning access to healthcare for migrants especially for NCDs and mental health. Ymkje Stienstra
- Understanding barriers to healthcare utilization among immigrants. To be confirmed

Friday, 9 March 2018

Morning
Migranen and communicable diseases: malaria, TB and HIV
- The role of migrants from malaria endemic countries on the reintroduction of malaria to malaria free countries. Seif Al-Abri
  - MDRO from the Indian subcontinent. How to address the role of migrants on AMR? Hanan Balkhy
Vaccine preventable infections, STD and hepatitis C
- The impact of immigrants on vaccine preventable diseases. Seif Al-Abri
  - Screening for viral hepatitis and HIV in the GCC. Muhammad Al-Yazedi

Afternoon
- Prioritizing interventions for hepatitis viruses in migrants. Maria Mondelli
  - Dynamic epidemics of HBV and HCV, challenges to elimination? Maria Mondelli
- Addressing the sexual health needs for migrants – HIV as an example. Nick Beeching
Surveillance, mass gatherings and refugees
- Mass gathering and the health of migrants – Hajj as an example. Ziad Memish
- Oman’s experience with refugees from Yemen. Khalid Al-Musheiki

Saturday, 10 March 2018

Morning
- Modalities for health promotion and risk communication for migrants, e.g. CCHF and malaria. Eskild Petersen
  - Partnership for health in conflict: an experience from complex protected emergency. Akjemal Magtymova
  - Immunization for migrants and their families including children. Boder Al-Rowahi
  - Round table discussion: how to establish an agenda for integrated research for immigrants/refugee population. Basheer Al-Sufiani, Faryal Khamis, Idris Al-Abaidani
- Round table discussion: the diversity of health systems in GCC and how to address migrants’ health in GCC. Aisha Husain, Amal Al-Maani
  - Round table discussion: what are the best surveillance systems for migrants’ health in the presence of different health systems in GCC. Salem Al-Mahrooqi, Amina Al-Jardani

Organization

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