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**EpiSouth Activities**

Monitoring Tool of EpiSouth Network Development: results from the questionnaire distributed during the second Project Meeting (Athens, 10-12 December 2007).

**The EpiSouth Network**

Starting as an EU project, EpiSouth struggled to develop its Mediterranean vocation. From an initial involvement of 5 countries (Italy, Spain, France, Greece, and Bulgaria), it includes now partners from international organisations and 24 countries from Southern Europe, Balkans, Middle East, and Northern Africa.

**Focus Topic**

The EuroMed Workshop on communicable diseases and health systems was organised by the European Commission (General Directorates EuropeAid and SANCO), in cooperation with the Portuguese EU presidency in Brussels on December 4th and 5th, 2007.

Two areas had to be covered: Communicable diseases surveillance and control on one hand, and more general issues of health systems (quality, sustainability, equity) on the other hand.

More than 20 invited experts of EU and Med partner countries were requested to give presentations on their own experiences, views and recommendations in each of the two areas, with a focus on the added value of international cooperation and cross-country exchange.

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