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EpiSouth Events

The 3rd EpiSouth Project Meeting was held in Sofia, Bulgaria, on 30-31 March and 1 April 2009.

> **Agenda**

> **Press release**

Presentations at the International Meeting on Emerging Diseases and Surveillance (IMED 2009) held in Vienna, Austria, on 13-16 February 2009.

> **Project's overview**

> **Epidemic Intelligence**

The 3rd EpiSouth Training Module will take place in Madrid on 15-19 June 2009.

> **Preliminary Programme**

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EpiSouth Activities

An article presenting the EpiSouth Project has been published in *Eurosurveillance* on February 2009.

> **read the article**

The EpiSouth Weekly Epi Bulletin (e-WEB) reporting health events occurring outside and inside EpiSouth countries is now available on-line

> **visit the e-WEB page**

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 collaborating institutions and 26 countries from Southern Europe, Balkans, Middle East, and Northern Africa.

> **Participating Countries**

> **Collaborating Institutions**

Focus Topic

Current global health policy is dominated by a preoccupation with infectious diseases and in particular with emerging or re-emerging infectious diseases that threaten to 'break out' of established patterns of prevalence or virulence into new areas and new victims.
The STEPS Centre published a working paper by Sarah Dry entitled "Epidemics for all? Governing Health in a Global Age". The paper seeks to link a set of dominant narratives about epidemics and infectious disease with what is often called the architecture, or organizational landscape, of global health policy.

> **read the working paper**