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*Mesothelioma Information Network in Europe*

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**Web Conference**  
**July 07, 2014 1 PM - 2.30 PM**

**Report**

## Participants

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- Giorgio Scagliotti (UNITO)
- Egbert Smit (VUMC)
- Carlo Di Pietrantonj (ASL AL)
- Gerard Schmid-Bindert (UMM)
- Marianne Nicolson (NHSG GRAMPIAN)
- Corrado Magnani (UNIPMN)
- Mircea Dediu (IOB)
- Silvia Mattone (UNITO)
- Elisabetta Madera (UNITO)

## Report

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The conference starts with the welcome from prof. Scagliotti to the participants introducing also the new project manager, Silvia Mattone ([silvia.mattone@euprojectmine.eu](mailto:silvia.mattone@euprojectmine.eu)). Then he reminds everyone that the website has been set up even if it is still in its draft version but it is already accessible. It has a public area and a restricted area where all partners can access ([www.euprojectmine.eu](http://www.euprojectmine.eu)).

Then professor Magnani takes the floor and starts with the importance of respecting the timelines and the deliverables deadlines coming up in next few months of the project. Dr. Pietrantonj had already sent an email on 30th of May with an excel spreadsheet attached containing the general time table of the project.

The most important duty to be accomplished by now it is to design the surveys and the questionnaires expected by the project. Since almost all the partners are involved in this task (even though on different themes) the best way to proceed, in his opinion, it is to gather all the questions and informations needed and create a questionnaire to be used by everyone. So he asks all the partners involved to create a list of questions and explanations to be put together for a common questionnaire.

The lists of questions are expected in the next 2/3 weeks, before the summer holidays, so that a draft of the questionnaire could be ready for September.

The surveys will be on different themes as specified in the project:

- Biobanks
- Therapeutic guidelines
- Current therapies
- Health surveillance
- General clinical activities in Eastern Europe

Everyone should remember that timing is the most important thing: it is better to send an incomplete list of questions and amend it in the next phase rather than a perfect one but too late.

It has been discussed if we could use the website for the exchange of these informations but for the time being it is better to work via e-mail because we still need time to make it accessible directly by everyone.

Professor Scagliotti then asks to Dr. Mircea Dediu an effort in collecting names and establishing contacts with scientists and centers working on mesothelioma in other Eastern Europe countries because for the time being he only provided names of Romanian scientists. He says he will try to get in touch with other stakeholders from Eastern Europe.

It would be great to collect all the existing studies in the website so that it could become a directory and a repository of the ongoing clinical trials, the existing literature and national guidelines of the all the countries involved in the project and of the results of the project, as well.

Then prof. Scagliotti talks about the dissemination plan to be set up by prof. Egbert Smit and his team. They will have to organize activities not only related to scientist but also patients related.

Dr. Marianne Nicolson also suggested to include the study of peritoneal mesothelioma along with the pleural one. Suggestion is accepted by prof. Magnani and the others.

In the next few days a doodle will be created in order to plan the next meeting of the Management Board that will take place in September in Italy.