



HIV in Europe Newsletter

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Call for proposals!

In line with the objectives of HiE, the HiE Steering Committee (SC) has decided to commission the **development of a status document in order to get an overview of the current initiatives on monitoring and evaluation of HIV testing in Europe**. A working group on monitoring testing within the SC of HiE has been established to follow testing related activities and follow this assignment. The output of this assignment is to provide strategic input to HiE and other European organisations to guide future agenda and activities. The consultancy is expected to start **1 July 2016** and the overall timeframe for the project duration is four months from contract signature. Read more about the Terms of References [here](#). Please share widely within your networks.

European Testing Week

The results of the 2015 European Testing Week are now available! **417 partners** participated in the 2015 European Testing week, which for the first time included hepatitis testing. Of those, 47% submitted the evaluation survey. The majority were NGOs/CSOs (66%). The general population was most frequently targeted (66%), and 97% of survey respondents did HIV activities, 45% hepatitis C activities and 28% hepatitis B activities, including testing and outreach testing and awareness-raising. This year, the results have been put together as a [one-pager](#) and a [slideset](#) to be used and distributed by participants and other interested parties as they see fit.

The planning of the 2016 ETW has started! It will take place from **18-25 November 2016**. The ETW WG will meet in London in June to discuss further - stay tuned for more information!



EUROPEAN HIV-HEPATITIS TESTING WEEK 2015 Results from the 2015 Evaluation

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HepHIV 2017 Malta Conference

The second HepHIV 2017 Conference will take place on **Malta from 31 January - 2 February 2017**.

More details and information on registration, programme and venue will be available soon in 2016, but for now **please mark your calendars**.

You can also follow news and updates on Twitter by following the conference hashtag **#HepHIV2017**.



HIV in Europe commissioned [Centre for Social Research and Health](#) to review testing and counselling guidelines across European country contexts to better understand the differences in information, recommendations as well as gaps in different types of HIV testing guidances. The results of this review are now available! Read more [here](#).

OptTEST by HiE

[OptTEST partners](#) are now preparing to meet for the 2nd Annual Meeting which will take place on 17-18 May in Madrid, Spain. Further, to strengthen links and collaboration with similar on-going initiatives partners from the EU co-financed project [Euro HIV EDAT](#) are invited to participate in parts of the meeting to discuss possible synergies, plan shared dissemination activities and a possible joint final conference in 2017.

Work progress and preliminary results will be presented and discussed, among others by [WP6](#), Yazdan Yazdanpanah and his team at Inserm, who will present the first results of their HIV testing cost-effectiveness analysis.



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