

# Prevention and reduction of water-related diseases

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# 1. Main achievements and status of implementation

## Training materials on water-related disease developed\*

### Training modules:

- Water-related disease surveillance
- Outbreak management
- Interactive exercises with case-studies
- Participant and moderator guidances

## Training material on risk-based surveillance of drinking water\*

- Development of the training materials is in progress
- Supported by WHO Collaborating Center at the University of Surrey, Guildford

## Review of evidence on *Legionella*

### Scope of review defined:

- Burden of legionellosis in the pan-European region, data mining from countries in EECCA
- National policies, regulations and requirements on *Legionella*
- Monitoring of and surveillance system of *Legionella* and legionellosis
- Supported by Hungary and WHO Collaborating Center at the Bonn University

\*Implementation of activities affected by COVID-19, in-person trainings are on hold

## 2. Lessons learnt for future work (optional)

\*Building back/building forward better from the pandemic

- Maintain effective monitoring and surveillance of water supply systems in normal times and during emergencies
- Surveillance of legionella in building water systems, including in emergencies

\*Emerging topics

- Surveillance of hygiene in different settings, such as in public places, health care facilities, schools
- Environmental surveillance of SARSCOV-2 in wastewater as a part of public health surveillance

### 3. Plans for future work in this area



2021/2022

Regional evidence review report



2021

Regional meeting on *Legionella* prevention and control



2021/2022

Support revision of drinking-water quality standard in Azerbaijan



2022

Subregional workshop on risk-based drinking-water surveillance (hosted by Estonia)



2022

National and sub-regional capacity building workshops on surveillance of WRD and drinking-water quality

\*Based on the draft programme of work for 2021-2022

**Thank you for your attention!**

