



# WHO COLLABORATING CENTRE FOR TUBERCULOSIS AND LUNG DISEASES, TRADATE, ITALY 2011 TRAINING COURSES

## **1) Implementing the Stop TB Strategy: skills for managers and consultants (TB, MDR-/XDR-TB, TB/HIV and more)**

The overall goal of the training course is to further develop the necessary skills to plan, implement and evaluate a TB control programme, based on the WHO-recommended Stop TB Strategy in the era of MDR-/XDR-TB and HIV.

The training course uses innovative approaches, being centred around Fictitia, a fictitious country in which all consultancy activities take place. The training is interactive and exercise-based, being a mixture of presentations, exercises, workshops, site visits and role plays based on data from Fictitia.

The course is composed of three parts:

**Part 1: Introduction.** This part includes presentation of aim and goals, and all the preliminary aspects related to the preparation of a mission to Countries and to the Report to the funding Agency.

**Part 2: Implementation of the Stop TB Strategy.**

This part revises in a practical and interactive manner how to implement the 6 elements of the Stop TB Strategy in the era of MDR-/XDR-TB and HIV. Under the first element, the 5 pillars of the previous DOTS Strategy are discussed. Emphasis is given to the sections related to Infection Control, MDR/XDR-TB, TB/HIV, PPM and operational research. New Units on TB in children, PAL and Community Care have been added.

Fictitia is a country facing the problems related to DOTS/Stop TB Strategy implementation and expansion.

By the end of part 2 participants will be asked to write a report on their mission to Fictitia.

Furthermore, they will be asked to develop plans to implement PPM, Infection Control, community care and operational research in Fictitia and to evaluate a GFATM proposal. The existing tools (e.g. the MDR-TB assessment and planning tools) will be discussed and used. The GFATM forms and reporting tools will be used to perform the exercises.

**Part 3: Fictitia Stop TB Strategy.**

This part will be focused on Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation. It will include evaluation of the Reports on the mission to Fictitia and of the plans on MDR-/XDR-TB and TB/HIV.

collaborative activities as well as the evaluation of the whole training course

This course is designed for individuals responsible for planning, organizing, implementing and evaluating TB and MDR-TB control activities in the MDR-/XDR-TB era, within the framework of the implementation of the new Stop TB Strategy, at national and sub-national level.

They might be managers of TB/MDR-TB and HIV programmes at the national or sub-national level or staff otherwise involved in control programmes at national or sub-national level (Ministry of Health staff, staff of international agencies involved in TB/MDR-TB/HIV control, leading national experts and opinion-leaders involved in TB/MDR-TB/HIV prevention, diagnosis and care)

**Dates :** May 2 - 14, 2011 and November 7 - 19, 2011

**Venue :** Training Centre "Vallesana", Sondalo, North Italy (150 km from Milan)

**Organizers :** WHO Collaborating Centre for Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Tradate, Italy  
The Stop TB Department WHO, Geneva

**Language:** English

**Enrolment limit:** 23-24 participants per course

**Application deadlines:**

February 28, 2011 (for May course)

August 30, 2011 (for November course)

**Payment deadlines:**

March 30, 2011 (for May course)

September 15th, 2010 (for November course)

**Course fee:** 2.600 Euros

The course fee includes: accommodation full board in the Training Residence “Vallesana” close to Sondalo Hospital (single/double room, depending on the rooms available ) with 3 meals and 2 coffee breaks per day, the training materials, the social program and the local transportation . Travel and additional expenses are not included.

For complete details, queries and application forms, please contact **Lia D’Ambrosio** at:

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## **2) Overcoming Barriers to TB Control: the Role of Advocacy, Communication, and Social Mobilization (ACSM)**

ACSM is now firmly on the global TB control agenda as an essential cross-cutting approach to supporting the six elements of the Stop TB Strategy. Most countries have endorsed the Stop TB Strategy, but many national TB programs are not yet investing resources in ACSM strategically or engaging communities fully in TB care and prevention and may not have local capacity to implement planned ACSM activities.

The primary goal of the workshop is to build ACSM skills at the national and local levels to support a sustained contribution of ACSM interventions to significant TB control program improvements.

The workshop objectives are as follows:

- Orient participants to basic concepts of advocacy, communication and social mobilization for TB control.
- Provide country-level staff with specific knowledge, skills, and resources to plan, implement, and evaluate effective ACSM interventions linked to specific TB control objectives in their settings.
- Orient participants to drafting and monitoring action plans specific to their settings and creating follow-up technical assistance plans for moving forward with ACSM.
- Emphasize monitoring and evaluation of ACSM interventions to show their impact on TB control.

**Participants will:**

- Understand the concepts of advocacy, communication, and social mobilization, their differences and interlinkages, and benefits of incorporating ACSM activities into TB and TB/HIV programs.
- Understand how ACSM activities support the Stop TB strategy and TB control objectives.
- Review specific TB program performance data and identify TB control challenges and gaps, contributing factors, and ACSM activities to address those barriers.
- Be able to use a systematic process of program gap identification and barrier analysis to develop feasible and appropriate ACSM action plans.
- Understand how to construct and implement feasible, effective M&E plans for ACSM.

The target audience are key national-level ACSM staff, ACSM consultants, and civil society organization staff directly engaged in ACSM activities in their countries.

**Date:** June 7- 14, 2011

**Venue:** Training Centre “Vallesana”, Sondalo, North Italy (150 km from Milan)

**Organizers:** WHO Collaborating Centre for Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Tradate, Italy  
PATH, USA

**Enrolment limit:** 23-24 participants per course

**Language:** English

**Application deadline:** March 31, 2011

**Payment deadline:** May 15, 2011

**Course fee:** 1.900 Euros

The course fee includes: accommodation full board in the Training Residence “Vallesana” close to Sondalo Hospital (single/double room, depending on the rooms available ) with 3 meals and 2 coffee breaks per day, the training materials, the social program and the local transportation . Travel and additional expenses are not included.

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