

Venue:

Permanent Representation of Germany to the
European Union
Rue Jacques Lalaing 8-14
1000 Brussels

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registration at
europeansepsisalliance.org/annualmeeting,
due to limited seating capacity.

The European Sepsis Alliance was founded in 2018
about sepsis as well as to reduce the burden of
sepsis Europe. The ESA is one of the regional sepsis
alliance of the Global Sepsis Alliance and has been
established to enhance the implementation of the
[70.7 WHA Resolution “Improving the prevention,
diagnosis and clinical management of sepsis”](#)
from 2017.

The GSA is a non-profit charity organization with
the mission to provide global leadership to reduce
the worldwide burden of sepsis. The GSA is the
initiator of World Sepsis Day on September 13
and World Sepsis Congress, a series of free online
congresses bringing knowledge about sepsis to all
parts of the world.

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European Sepsis Alliance 5th Annual Meeting

Sepsis management, an
indicator of quality of
care in Europe

September 20th, 2022

Location:

Permanent Representation of Germany to the EU,
Brussels, and online



Sepsis management, an indicator of quality of care in Europe

In January 2020, anticipating the outburst of the Sars-Cov-2 pandemic, the most updated data on sepsis were revealed confirming what experts already suspected: sepsis is the most common cause of death worldwide, one every five, claiming 11 million lives globally every year. The pandemic has also demonstrated that sepsis is the main cause of death amongst COVID-19 patients, affecting almost 80% of those hospitalized in ICU. Furthermore, the similarities between the long-COVID and the post-sepsis syndromes are stunning.

Antimicrobial resistance, often called “the silent pandemic”, hampers infection management and facilitates the occurrence of sepsis. Recent data from Sweden confirms the correlation. Pandemic preparedness, infection management, or AMR strategies cannot prescind from efficient sepsis management. In fact, these are all aspects that comprehensive infection management strategies must include.

What if sepsis quality of care became a key indicator for the performance assessment of health systems? Reduced harm from sepsis means that health systems can prevent, identify and manage infections, and use antimicrobials in an effective way. However, how can we manage sepsis if we do not collect data systematically in Europe? What can we learn from those countries who have started implementing strategic measures in integrating sepsis in their national health systems?

These are some of the questions that we will try to answer at the 5th ESA annual meeting, with high level speakers from institutions, experts, and patients.

Draft Programme

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

10:30 – 11:00

11:00 Introductory remarks: Sepsis, a quality of care indicator
Evangelos J. Giamarellos-Bourboulis, ESA Chair

Keynote address:

11:10 Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety

11:25 The incidence of sepsis and the impact of AMR on sepsis management
Prof. Adam Linder, Lund University, Sweden

11:40 A picture of quality of care in Europe, the European Sepsis Care Survey
Dr. Christian Sheer, University of Greifswald, Germany

12:55 Panel: How can sepsis be integrated in European health systems?

Participants:

Malin Grape, Ambassador on Antimicrobial Resistance, Sweden
Sabine Kossebau, Permanent Representation of Germany to the EU
Jean-Marc Cavillon, Institut Pasteur, France *tbc*
Patient representative *tbc*

13:00 Closing remarks: The WHO strategy for infection management
Dr Natasha Azzopardi-Muscat, WHO Europe *tbc*

13:10 Networking lunch

Event moderator:

Laura Cigolot, Health First Europe