

# MediLabSecure (WP4) - Newsletter n°1 - March 2015

Dear network members,

To keep you updated of what's going on within the MediLabSecure project (and more generally in the area of medical entomology), here is a short newsletter that we will send you regularly.



## NEWS FROM MLS ENTOMO

> **Training session.** According to an assessment of needs, tailored trainings sessions for two people of your staff are planning in 2015-2016, enabling laboratories to develop capacity building in mosquito vector of arboviruses (sampling, determination, surveillance) and to enhance regional cooperation. Save the date!

- **8-12 June 2015** - Faculty of Agriculture, University of Novi Sad, **Serbia.**  
*Concerned countries:* Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Moldova, Serbia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- **7-11 September 2015** - Hacettepe University, Ankara, **Turkey**  
*Concerned countries:* Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Moldova, Serbia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- **Spring 2016** (to be planned)  
*Concerned countries:* Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia

> **Medical entomologists in Parma, Italy** (27-29 January 2015). MediLabSecure has been presented during this VectorNet AGM meeting. [VectorNet](#) is a European network for sharing data on the geographic distribution of arthropod vectors (all vectors, not only mosquitoes that are vector of arbovirus), transmitting human and animal disease agents. This open network is now extending activities in countries surrounding the Mediterranean Basin. MediLabSecure and VectorNet are very complementary and common actions will be planning. Vincent ROBERT (key expert MediLabSecure) and Dusan PETRIC (Serbia) are part of the VectorNet mosquito group and we were also glad to meet some of our MLS network at this meeting: Kela Dikolli (Albania), Lusine Paronyan (Armenia), Nabil Haddad (Lebanon), Bulent Aten (Turkey)

## MEDILABSECURE IN SHORT

> **Quick look on the Head of Lab meeting** (14-15 January 2015, Paris) on the MediLabSecure website. Contact list of participants and the various presentations are available in the private area.

> **How do I connect to the MediLabSecure private area?** Easily! You are all under the same type of login.  
*Login:* WP4\_yourcountry / *Password:* lab  
You will receive an email dedicated to the private area very soon.

## ENJOY READING

- > [Guidelines for the surveillance of native mosquitoes in Europe](#). ECDC technical report - Nov. 2014
- > [New evidence for the potential role of Culex pipiens mosquitoes in the transmission cycle of West Nile virus in Tunisia](#). Krida G, Rhim A, Daaboub J, Failloux AB, Bouattour A.
- > [Remote sensing, land cover changes, and vector-borne diseases: use of high spatial resolution satellite imagery to map the risk of occurrence of cutaneous leishmaniasis in Ghardaïa, Algeria](#). Garni R, Tran A, Guis H3, Baldet T, Benallal K, Boubidi S, Harrat Z.

If you have any suggestions or information you want to share, please let us know and send an email to the discussion list [mls.entomo-all@listes.ird.fr](mailto:mls.entomo-all@listes.ird.fr).