

## West Nile virus and Usutu virus infections in the European Union: Public health and animal health challenges

25 February 2022

Digital WebEx Webinar

Date: 25 February 2022, 09:30-12:30, Stockholm time (CEST)

### Scope and purpose

This webinar on the public and animal health aspects of West Nile and Usutu virus infections in the European Union is part of the project entitled: "Review and evaluation of public health and animal health aspects of West Nile virus and Usutu virus infections in European Union" jointly launched by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) and the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) in March 2021. The partners of the consortium (Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale delle Venezie and University of Padua, Italy) will present the main results achieved by the project. Furthermore, thanks to the contribution of experts in the field, two relevant topics will be explored: the state of the art of Usutu virus infection in humans and animals and SoHO safety as one of the main objectives of WNV surveillance and control plans.

The meeting will be held online and will be half day long.

### Agenda

25 February 2022	
09:00 – 09:30	[Connection time]
09:30 – 09:40	<b>Welcome and opening</b> <b>Brief introduction on the project</b> Gioia Capelli, Luisa Barzon
09:40 – 09:55	<b>Technical report on WNV and USUV infections: methodology applied</b> Giorgia Angeloni
09:55 – 10:55	<b>WNV and USUV in EE/EEA countries: Technical report results in humans</b> , Luisa Barzon (20')

	<p><b>in animals</b>, Gioia Capelli (20')</p> <p><b>in vectors</b>, Michela Bertola (15')</p> <p>Q&amp;A (5')</p>
<b>10:55 – 11:10</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:10 – 11:30</b>	<b>USUV in humans and animals: worth of surveillance?</b> Norbert Nowotny
<b>11:30 – 12:15</b>	<p><b>SoHO safety: experiences from Europe</b></p> <p><b>Hungary</b>, Klára Baróti-Tóth (15')</p> <p><b>France</b>, Imad Sandid (15')</p> <p><b>Italy</b>, Massimo La Raja (15')</p>
<b>12:15 – 12:30</b>	<b>Discussion and closure of the meeting</b>

### Speakers

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