

Performed activities in the reporting period:

- ❖ ECDC contacted WHO/EURO and WHO/EMRO informing about the EU Initiative on Health Security and proposing to nominate focal points for further cooperation. Replies are pending.
- ❖ Work is ongoing on the self-assessment package of countries level of preparedness and response to public health emergencies, including analytical framework for future analysis.
- ❖ ECDC initiated discussion with the current contractor (ISCIII) implementing MediPIET on the process of handover between the ongoing phase of MediPIET and the future phase under the EU Initiative on Health Security. ISCIII intends to send a proposal to DG DEVCO for a no-cost extension of the current phase until end of May 2021. This extension shall not affect the initiation of MediPIET activities under this project.
- ❖ Work to reinforce visibility and communication element of the EU Initiative on Health Security has started and will result in project visual identity elements like logo, ppt. templates etc.

Main activities in the next reporting period – June 2020

- ❖ Depending on the replies to invitations from ENP partner countries first meeting of the National Correspondents may take place (virtually) to discuss the way forward. Currently Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Moldova, Palestine* and Egypt have replied. SANTE has initiated round of reminders to receive replies from all countries.
- ❖ Sending out self-assessment package to ENP partner countries.
- ❖ MediPIET Training Centres Forum (TCF) will take place virtually (date tbc) and the extension proposal will be discussed with the partner countries.
- ❖ Communication about EU Initiative on Health Security to other important stakeholders such as EU Delegations in partner countries.
- ❖ Reinforcing visibility and communication element of the EU Initiative on Health Security.

Risks

- ❖ Delays with Letters of Intent and nomination of National Correspondents. This can lead to late dispatch of self-assessment packages to some countries.