

To: Members of the Expert Group on HIV, TB and AI
Invited guests of the EG
NDPHS Secretariat

Subject: Invitation to the 8th Meeting of the NDPHS Expert Group on HIV, TB and Associated Infections

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to the next meeting of the Expert Group on HIV, TB and Associated Infections of the Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Wellbeing (NDPHS) which is due **in Helsinki**, Finland, on **9-10 April 2019**.

The key items on the agenda of the meeting will be: discussion and approval of the Expert Group's annual report for 2018, further planning of the Expert Group's component in the joint NDPHS flagship project on ageing, possible inputs of the Expert Group into events (seminars, conferences) throughout 2019. The tour-de-table will be organized on the second day, and it will be held together with the Steering Committees of the Barents HIV Programme and Barents Tuberculosis Programme. The topic for the tour de table is "Updates on HIV and TB situation in ND countries and Barents regions". Besides, possible ways and solutions for tightening practical collaboration between the Expert Group and the Barents TB/HIV Programme will be addressed.

The meeting is scheduled to start on the 9th April with the lunch and finish on the 10th April with the lunch.

In order to confirm your participation, you are expected to fill out the online registration form at: https://www.ndphs.org/?mtgs,hiv_tb&ai_eg_8_helsinki by the **22nd March 2019**.

The meeting's agenda and practical information, which contains details and advice regarding the venue, accommodation, transport is also available at the webpage indicated above.

We look forward to seeing you all in Helsinki!

Yours sincerely,

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