

## EU HEALTHY GATEWAYS JOINT ACTION CONSORTIUM

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# EU **HEALTHY** GATEWAYS

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# Actions for preparedness at Points of Entry (ground crossings, airports, ports)

The EU HEALTHY GATEWAYS is a European Joint Action funded by the European Commission under the third Health Programme (2014-2020) with the participation of 35 authorities (17 partners, 3 affiliated entities, 15 collaborating stakeholders) from 27 European countries and Taiwan. The duration of the EU HEALTHY GATEWAYS Joint Action is 36 months (May 2018 - April 2021).

The general objective of this action is to improve capacities at points of entry (PoE) including ports, airports and ground crossings, in preventing and combating cross-border health threats from the transport sector.

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## **ABOUT US**

The EU HEALTHY GATEWAYS Joint Action aims to support cooperation and coordinated action of Member States to improve their preparedness and response capacities at points of entry. This includes ports, airports and ground crossings, in preventing and combating cross-border health threats from the transport sector.

#### The Joint Action will:

- produce guidelines, catalogues of best practices and validated action plans to be implemented by Member State health authorities at operational level in the field of transport, covering all types of health threats, risk communication, advice for public health event management and contingency planning.
- support rapid exchange of information in the event of cross-border health risks, using electronic means via established communication networks for points of entry.
- provide online and face-to-face training on contingency planning and management of events (due to infections, vectors, chemical, environmental, and other agents) at points of entry at the European, national and local level.
- support the execution of hygiene inspections on ships and airplanes.

In the event of future public health emergencies of international concern (PHEIC), the Joint Action will move from its inter-epidemic mode to an emergency mode, in order to support:

- coherent response and
- implementation of temporary recommendations issued by the WHO according to IHR.

The Joint Action is expected to improve coordinated cross-sectoral actions to control infectious disease transmission and possible vectors for pathogens on ground transportation, on ships, and in aircrafts, in case of a serious cross-border threat to health affecting or inherently coming from the transport sector.

#### Horizontal work packages

### **COORDINATION**

Ensuring that everything is implemented as planned.

- Consortium Agreement
- Web-based network for Points of Entry

## DISSEMINATION

Ensuring that the results and deliverables of the action will be made available to Joint Action target groups.

- European and national dissemination plans
- Layman version of the Final report

## **EVALUATION**

Actions undertaken to verify that the Joint Action is being implemented as planned and reaches its objectives.

- Evaluation plan
- Interim and final evaluation reports

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

Actions to foster the uptake of Joint Action results by EU countries.

Report on the integration in national policies and sustainability



# TRAINING COURSES

Actions for capacity building including training at points of entry

## **SIMULATION & TABLE-TOP EXERCISES**

**PREPAREDNESS FOR CHEMICAL THREATS** Actions for preparedness in relation to chemical threats at points of entry.

Subject-matter work packages

**GROUND CROSSINGS:** Actions for preparedness at ground crossings and the land transport sector.



AIRPORTS: Actions for preparedness at airports and the air transport sector.



PORTS: Actions for preparedness at ports and the maritime transport sector.



BEST PRACTICE CATALOGUES GUIDELINES VALIDATED CONTINGENCY PLANS INSPECTIONS