International Summer School on Rare Disease Registries and FAIRification of Data

September 28 – October 2, 2020
Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Rome, Italy
GENERAL INFORMATION

Due to the force majeure situation, the international travel policies associated with COVID-19 and extraordinary measures to limit the spread of the virus, the Italian health authorities (including the Istituto Superiore di Sanità, ISS), recommend adopting a precaution approach and cancel the planned trips and events. In order to ensure the correct progress of the planned tasks of EJP RD, ISS ensures that the international course “ International Summer School on Rare Disease Registries and FAIRification of Data ”, September 28 October 2,2020, ISS, Rome will be held ONLINE.

RELEVANCE, INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVES

The International Summer School on Rare Disease Registries and FAIRification of Data is a part of a series of training activities proposed by the European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases (EJP-RD). EJP-RD is a European Commission funded project (grant agreement No 825575, 2019 – 2023) with the goal “to create a comprehensive, sustainable ecosystem allowing a virtuous circle between research, care and medical innovation”. For more information about the EJP-RD, see https://www.ejprarediseases.org/

In particular this Course is a part of the WP14 on “Data Management & Quality Training”, which aims to organize residential training courses in different Countries. WP and Task Leader: Dr. Claudio Carta, ISS.

Course Director: Dr. Domenica Taruscio, ISS.

The Course is made up of 5 days of training organized by Istituto Superiore di Sanità (ISS) in close collaboration with, mainly, EJP-RD task partners [LUMC & UoG (Endo-ERN), IOR (Bond-ERN), UUH (Metab-ERN), EURORDIS, ISCIII, LUMC, INSERM (RaDiCo), UMCG, DTL-Projects (EIXIR-NL), CNR (ELIXIR-IT), AMC]

ISS, has gained vast experience by organizing numerous courses focused on rare disease registries with the support of key partners. In particular since 2013 ISS has organized and hosted the “International Summer School on Rare Disease and Orphan Drug Registries” and since 2014 the “Bring Your Own Data To Link Rare Disease Registries”.

SPECIFIC LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Registries are key resources in order to increase timely and accurate diagnosis, improve patients management, tailor treatments, facilitate clinical trials, support healthcare planning and speed up research

This course is composed of two training modules:
- During the first three days module (28-30 September, 2020), participants will learn (a) what resources are needed for the establishment/maintenance of a high quality registry (b) the features of successful strategies to ensure (i) long-time sustainability of the registry, (ii) quality, (iii) legal and ethical issues in compliance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation
During the second two days module “FAIRification of data”, (1–2 October, 2020) participants will deepen their knowledge on the single steps of the FAIRification of data and will discover the potential of FAIR registries. In this part a time slot will be allocated to discuss FAIR data management and FAIR project planning.

LEARNING METHOD

In the first module there will be plenary presentations, interactive and question & answers sessions between speakers and participants.

In the second module, on the last two days of the course, for each step of the FAIRification process there will be plenary sessions followed by hands-on exercises and a wrap up session.

PARTICIPANTS AND REGISTRATION

The training course is open to the international research community, clinicians, medical specialists, registry curators, database managers, healthcare professionals and rare disease patients representatives.

To ensure active participation and exchange with teaching staff and participants, a maximum of 30 attendees will be admitted to each training module. A selection process will be applied based on the participants’ background, role with reference to registry activities, and involvement in ERNs.

REGISTRATION

Registration is possible for:
> the first training module: “Rare Disease Registries”, September 28–30, 2020
> the second training module: “FAIRification of Data”, October 1–2, 2020
> the entire course: “Rare Disease Registries” and “FAIRification of data”, September 28 – October 2, 2020.


An e-mail will be sent, by July 31, 2020, to the selected participants for the course.

Respondents who are not contacted by email should consider themselves not selected but will be kept on a waiting list until September 7, 2020.

FEES AND COSTS

The course and registration is free of charge.
The course organisers will not cover expenses incurred by the participants in any case.
LEARNING ASSESSMENT:
At the end of each training module a learning assessment, based on an online multiple choice questionnaire and an oral test, will take place.

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATES
At the end of the course a certificate of attendance will be handed to the participants who attended 100% of the single training module or the entire course program. No credits of Continuing Education in Medicine will be issued.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
English

VENUE
ONLINE

CONTACT
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Program of the Course

DAY 1  1st Training Module, September 28, 2020
14:00 Welcome address & Faculty & Presentation of the course
   Domenica Taruscio
14:15 Presentation of the European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases
   Domenica Taruscio, Claudio. Carta
14:30 The European Platform on Rare Disease Registration (EU RD Platform)
   Andri Papadopoulou
15:00 Questions & Answers
15:30 Aims, Governance & Sustainability
   Joseph Giuliano
16:30 Questions & Answers
17:00 End of the Day 1

DAY 2  September 29, 2020
14:00 Quality of RD Registries part 1
   Manuel Posada
14:45 Questions & Answers
15:15 Quality of RD Registries part 2
   Yllka Kodra
16:00 Questions & Answers
16:30 End of the Day 2

DAY 3  September 30, 2020
14:00 Roles of RD patients in registries & research - ePAGs in ERNs
   Gulcin Gumus
14:45 Questions & Answers
15:15 Ethics, GDPR and Informed Consent
   Marta Tomasi
16:00 Questions & Answers
16:30 Experiences from ERNs: EuRR-Bone
   Syed Faisal Ahmed
17:00 Questions & Answers
17:30 Evaluation of the 1st Training Module: Satisfaction Questionnaire
18:00 End of the Day 3

DAY 4  2nd Training Module, October 1, 2020
09:50 Welcome address & Presentation of the course
   Domenica Taruscio
10:00 Prepare for FAIRification:
   - Boosting the use of data in registries: overview of FAIRification
     Marco Roos, Claudio Carta
   - Describing your data for machines: the role of Ontologies
     Ronald Cornet
10:20 Hands on
10:40 Wrap-up; questions & answers
11:00 Describe your registry for machines:
   - Describing your registry at source
     Rajaram Kaliyaperumal
   - Describing registry access protocols at source
     Esther van Enckevort
11:20 Hands on
11:40 Wrap-up; questions & answers
12:00 Let humans and machines know what you have
   - Let the EU RD platform know what you are
     Holger Storf
   - How Orphanet helps human and machine know what you have
     Marc Hanauer
12:20 Hands on
12:40 Wrap-up; questions & answers
13:00 End of the Morning Session

Afternoon Session
15:00 The magic of preparing metadata for machines: Make metadata linkable
   - The EJPRD Linked data platform
     Mark Wilkinson
15:20 Hands on
15:40 Wrap-up; questions & answers
16:00 Describe data elements and how they are connected for machines:
   - Conceptual modelling
     Marco Roos
   - Conceptual modelling with Draw.io
     Rajarm Kaliyaperumal
16:20 Hands on
16:40 Wrap-up; questions & answers
17:00 End of the Day 4

DAY 5 October 2, 2020
10:00 Describe your data for humans and machines around the world with ontologies
   - Ontologising tools
     Esther van Enckevort, Marco Roos
10:20 Hands on
10:40 Wrap-up on step
11:00 The magic of preparing data for machines Make Data Linkable & Host FAIR data
   - The Vascern Registry Example of a registry becoming FAIR
     Martijn Kersloot
11:20 Hands on
11:40 Wrap-up on step
12:00 The magic of preparing metadata and data for machines:
   - Assess FAIR Data counting patients with certain conditions
     *Mark Wilkinson, Rajarm Kaliyaperumal*
   - SPARQL for humans: introduction to break-out
     *Marco Roos, Claudio Carta*

12:20 Hands on
12:40 Wrap-up on
13:00 End of the Morning Session

**Afternoon Session**

15:00 Data FAIRification: Implications for “registry managers” and project planning
   *Esther van Enckevort, Marco Roos, Claudio Carta*

15:20 Hands on
15:40 Wrap-up on step
16:00 How global open FAIR data are changing the world
   *Barend Mons, Erik Schultes*

16:30 Parking lot & Q&A next steps for your own FAIR registry
16:50 Evaluation of the 2nd Training Module: Satisfaction Questionnaire
17:10 Concluding remarks
   *Domenica Taruscio, Marco Roos, Claudio Carta*

17:30 End of the Course
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