

Time	Thursday 22 September 2011		
7.30 – 13.30	Registration		
	WORKING GROUP MEETINGS		
8.00 – 9.30	Frequency	Virtual Microscopy	
9.30 – 11.00	Haematology	Nomenclature	
11.00 – 12.30	Haemostasis	Microbiology	
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch		
	SYMPOSIUM Theme: Analytical Quality and beyond		
13.30 – 13.35	Opening		Piet Meijer
13.35 – 14.25	Session 1: EQA for rare diseases		Moderator: Sverre Sanberg
13.35 – 13.55	Overview of EQAS for rare diseases in haematology		Barbara de la Salle
13.55 – 14.15	Experience with an international EQAS for a rare disease : a clinical and analytical scheme for porphyrias		Sverre Sandberg
14.15 – 14.25	General Discussion		
14.25 – 15.20	Session 2: The educational role of EQA		Moderator: Minna Loikkanen
14.25 – 14.50	The educational role of EQA: the organizer and laboratories perspectives		Jonna Pelanti
14.50 – 15.10	A digital morphology educational EQA scheme		Michelle Brereton
15.10 – 15.20	General Discussion		
15.20 – 15.45	Break		
15.45 – 16.45	Session 3: Pre-analytical EQA		Moderator: Xavier Albe
15.45 – 16.15	EQA schemes in the pre-analytical phase: how they contribute to reduce laboratory errors?		Mario Plebani
16.15 – 16.30	SEQC: Preanalytical Quality Control Program. Ten years experience		Nuria Barba
16.30 – 16.45	Portuguese EQAS vision versus experience on pre-analytical phase (2007-2011)		Ana Paula Faria
16.45 – 17.15	Session 4: Accreditation		Moderator: Annette Thomas
16.45 – 17.15	Results of a questionnaire		Annette Thomas
17.15 – 17.30	Refreshment		
17.30 – 18.15	Adam Uldall Lecture <i>EQA in developing countries</i>		André Deom
19.15 – 22.30	Social Event		

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9.00 – 10.00	Session 5: The role of EQA in method harmonisation	Moderator: Piet Meijer
9.00 – 9.30	The AACC concept of method harmonisation	Gary Myers
9.30 – 10.00	General Discussion on the role of EQA in method harmonisation	Piet Meijer
10.00 – 11.30	Contributions from Working Group projects	Moderator: t.b.a.
10.00 – 10.30	Pos-analytical external quality assessment of INR in primary and secondary care: an international survey.	Ann-Helen Kristoffersen
10.30 – 11.00	Break	
11.00 – 11.30	Contribution of telemedicine to External Quality Assessment Scheme for blood smear and bone marrow interpretation: the Belgian experience	Bernard Chatelain
11.30 – 12.30	Abstracts	Moderator: t.b.a.
11.30 – 11.45	Pre- and postanalytical surveys: a complementary service of EQA centers and valuable continuing education tool.	Xavier Albe
11.45 – 12.00	Pre-analytical EQA scheme - a pilot study.	Gunn BB Kristensen
12.00 – 12.15	The Key Incident Monitoring & Management Systems (KIMMS) project.	Alan Bateman
12.15 – 12.30	Role of external quality assessment schemes in the standardization and postmarket vigilance	Janos Marki-Zay
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch	
13.30 – 15.30	EQALM General Assembly	