

Torino/Rome, Italy

Online meetings: 11th-13th October 2020

2021 round of TSE EURL EQAs: Results feedback

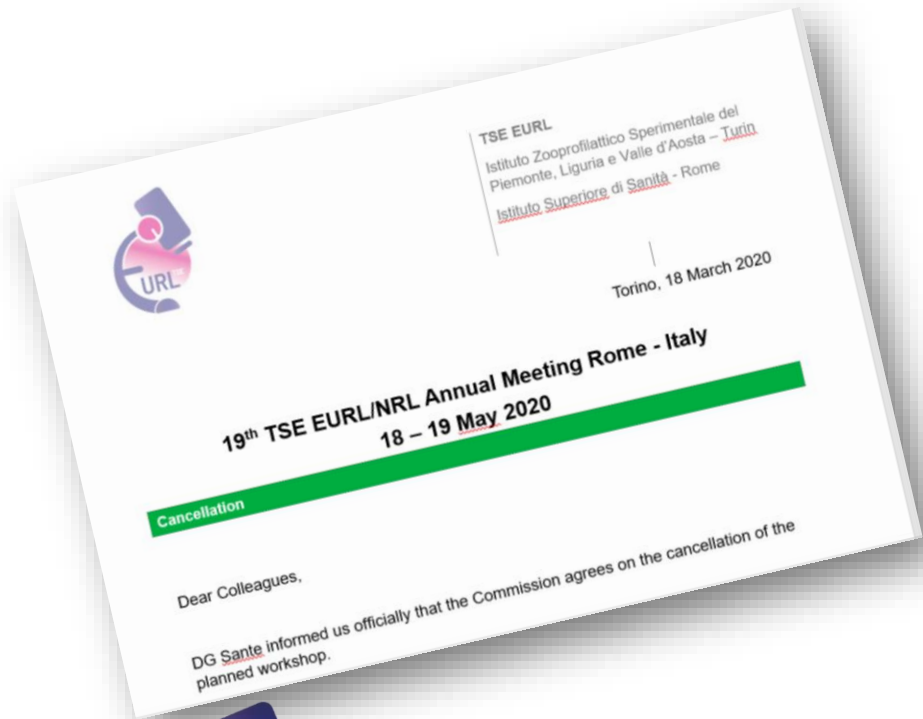
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As per 2020, the 2021 annual meeting cancelled due to to COVID-19 emergency



- 2022: hopefully, a physical meeting in Turin
- 2023: a joint physical meeting with the AP EURL in Rome



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Here we are

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Teams meeting window. At the top, the title bar reads "2020 round of TSE EURL EQAs, day 1". The main area displays a grid of participant avatars, each with a circular icon containing a two-letter code and a name below it. The codes and names are: BE (Bozzetta Elena), DK (Daniela Korytarova (Guest)), MP (Maria Gabriella Perrotta - DG...), CB (Chiappini Barbara), SB (Severine Matthijs Belgium (Gu...)), MP (Miroslaw Polak), FB (Florica Barbuceanu (Guest)), AB (Alexandra Bastian (Austria) (G...)), TS (Torsten Seuberlich (Guest)), and a "+15" icon. On the right side, the "Partecipanti" (Participants) pane is open, showing a search bar, a "Condividi invito" (Share invitation) button, and a list of participants with their names, roles (e.g., Guest, Organizzatore), and status icons (mute, video off). The bottom of the screen shows the Windows taskbar with various application icons and the system tray displaying the time as 09:48 and the date as 11/10/2021.



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Greetings from the Italian Ministry of Health

Dr. Maria Gabriella Perrotta



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Greetings from the IZSPLVA director

Dr. Angelo Ferrari



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Dr. Angelo Ferrari

“Dear colleagues, I am very pleased to welcome you for these two working days where you will be able to discuss the results of the proficiency tests and receive information on those we are organising for you.

It will also be an opportunity to receive scientific and regulatory updates from our guests from EFSA and the European Commission.

Despite covid 19, we have never stopped working and will continue to do so!

So I can only wish you all the best and hope that in 2022 you will be able to join us for a face-to-face meeting! For today and Wednesday morning, a warm welcome and good work.”



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TO ENSURE AVAILABILITY AND USE OF HIGH-QUALITY METHODS AND TO ENSURE HIGH QUALITY PERFORMANCE BY NRLs.

Regulation (EU) 625/2017 Art 94(2):

- ***Art. 94.2.c Coordinating the application by the national reference laboratories and, if necessary, by other official laboratories of the methods referred to in point (a), in particular, by organising regular inter-laboratory comparative testing or proficiency tests and by ensuring appropriate follow-up of such comparative testing or proficiency tests in accordance, where available, with internationally accepted protocols, and informing the Commission and the Member States of the results and follow-up to the inter-laboratory comparative testing or proficiency tests.***



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EQAs carried out in 2020

- 8 different PTs were run:
 - 2 Screening: RB, RS
 - 4 Confirmatory: WB, WS, IHC-T, IHC-I
 - 1 Discriminatory: DS
 - 1 PRNP sheep genotyping: GS



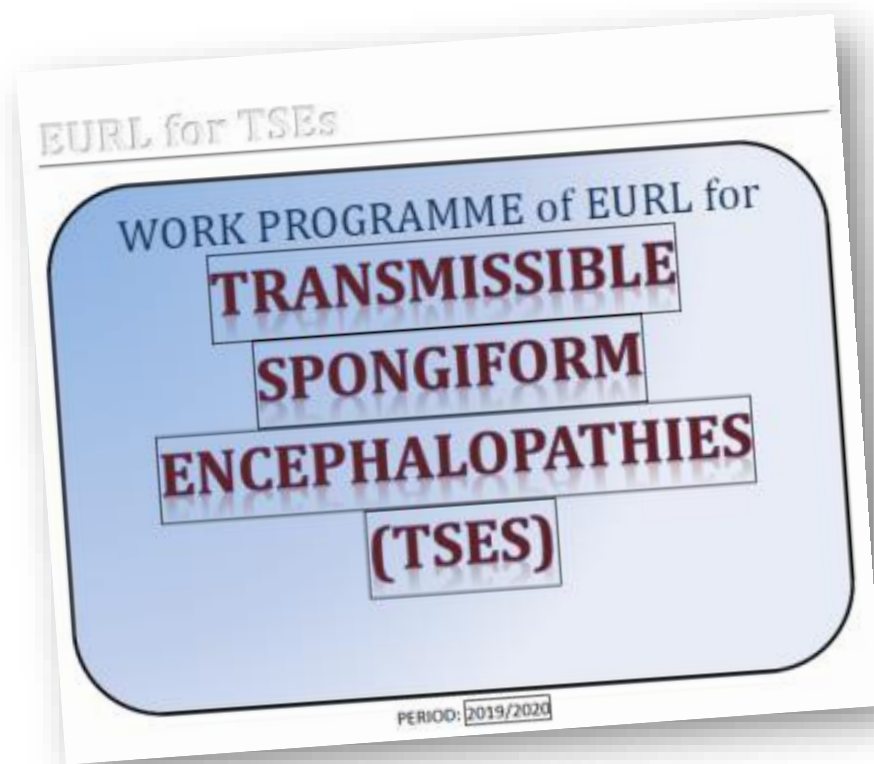
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Thanks and enjoy our meeting!



Thanks to our outstanding EURL staff!!



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