## 02. Community-driven solutions to the MDR-TB epidemic in the European region

**Wednesday, 29 October 2014, 09:00 - 12:30**  
**Room 114**  

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**Description**

Communities are rarely involved in supporting TB prevention and care in the European region. This session will be an opportunity for practitioners, NTP managers and communities from high burden MDR-TB countries to discuss and find ways to collaborate. Involving communities affected by the disease and civil society representatives in planning, implementing & monitoring national TB programmes is crucial. The workshop will serve as a platform of exchange between communities and national programmes and will help WHO Europe and the TB Europe Coalition develop guidelines on cooperation in the region.

**Target audience**

Health practitioners, NTP managers, WHO, civil society organisations, international organisations.

**Objectives**

1. Raise awareness among NTP managers on added value of CSOs and community involvement
2. Raise awareness among community and CSOs on existing mechanisms of collaboration with national programmes
3. Exchange best practices on NTP-community cooperation across the region
4. Establish guidelines and best practices on community involvement in the European region

**Expected outcome**

Enhanced cooperation between communities, CSOs and national TB programmes in the European region.

**Keywords**

Civil society; TB; MDR-TB; Europe; community; NTP

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**Presentations**

1. Implementation of the consolidated action plan to prevent and combat M-XDR-TB, 2011-2015: CSO’s perspective  
   Nonna Turusbekova (Netherlands)
2. Ways to increase efficiency of treatment of TB patients: best practices in the Russian Federation  
   Teresa Kasoeva (Russian Federation)
3. Involving people affected by the disease: a key aspect of the fight against TB in the European region  
   Safar Naimov (Tajikistan)
4. Involving CSOs in every aspect of the TB programmes: the Bulgarian experience  
   Tonka Varleva (Bulgaria)
5. Advocating for resource mobilisation and better TB policies in Moldova  
   Lilian Severin (Moldova)