

# International and European Testing Week launch event

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INTERNATIONAL  
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EUROPEAN  
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WEEK  
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GMT | CET  
(Lisbon)

08:30 | 09:30 WELCOME AND RECEPTION OF PARTICIPANTS

09:30 | 10:30 OPENING SESSION

MODERATOR: **Henrique Barros**, Institute of Public Health,  
University of Porto

PANEL: **Luís Mendão**, GAT

-**Hakima Himmich**, Coalition PLUS (video)

-**Jürgen Rockstroh**, EuroTEST (video)

-**Winnie Byanyima**, UNAIDS (video)

-**Meg Doherty**, WHO HQ (video)

-**António Lacerda Sales**, Deputy Minister for Health

10:30 | 11:30 COFFEE-BREAK

10:45 | 11:45 INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN TESTING WEEK LAUNCH

MODERATOR: **Ricardo Fernandes**, GAT

SETTING THE SCENE:

-**David Maman** and **Cheryl Johnson**, WHO Global HIV,  
Hepatitis and STI Programmes: Highlights and key findings  
from WHO's Impact of COVID-19 on HIV Testing Services

RAISING AWARENESS AND MOBILIZING PARTNERS TO

SCALE-UP EARLY DIAGNOSIS:

-**Nicolas Ritter**, Coalition PLUS: International Testing Week

-**Ben Collins**, ReShape, and **Cécilie Bom Kahama**,

CHIP: European Testing Week

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD:

-**Cheick Hamala Sidibé**, ARCAD Santé PLUS: HIV testing  
during and post COVID-19 in Western Africa

-**Oksana Kyrychok**, 100% LIFE: HIV testing during and  
post COVID-19 in Europe

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12:15 | 13:15 LUNCH

14:00 | 15:00 LAUNCH SESSION OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S  
REPORT ON THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON HIV TESTING SERVICES

-**David Maman** and **Cheryl Johnson**, WHO: WHO report  
and guidance highlights

-**Annette Verster**, WHO: HTS catch-up needs and lessons  
learned for reaching key populations during COVID-19

COUNTRY LESSONS LEARNED:

-**Tina Chisenga**, MOH Zambia

-**Khumbo Ng'ona Namachapa**, MOH Malawi

-**Thato Chidakirie**, NDOH South Africa

Q&A

15:30 | 16:30 COFFEE-BREAK

15:45 | 16:45 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: TOWARDS ZERO NEW  
INFECTIONS - LESSONS LEARNED AND REMAINING  
CHALLENGES TO EPIDEMIC CONTROL

MODERATOR: **Daniel Simões**, Coalition PLUS/ EuroTEST

-**Teymur Noori**, ECDC

-**Nicole Seguy**, WHO Europe

-UNAIDS\*

-**Serge Yotta**, Coalition PLUS

-**Ben Collins**, EuroTEST

-**Luís Mendão**, GAT

17:00 | 18:00 CLOSING REMARKS

-**Luís Mendão**, GAT

\*to be confirmed



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