

Location sites with asbestos (Source web-site www.regione.fvg.it)

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ASBESTOS THE STATE OF ART HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

PREVENTION AND REMOVAL

Friday, February 17th, 2012

Amphitheatre hall
Santa Maria della Misericordia
University Hospital Trust
 Piazzale Santa Maria della Misericordia, 15 Udine

INTRODUCTION

Following the first edition held in Trieste two years ago (Shipping Station's Congress Center, February 13th, 2010), the second edition of the Convention 'Asbestos, the state of art' will take place in Udine on February 17th, 2012. The aims, in addition to the general situation relating to medical research on asbestos diseases (still without early diagnosis and treatment), are to focus on primary prevention and clean-up of polluted sites, a very hard goal to reach and which often discourages both the public and private sectors. Yet, it is prevention that will help solve the asbestos problem in the future. To do this, such "good practices", which both private and public sectors have been able to implement in recent times, must be realized beginning with local authorities, which can not be left alone. For there are problems that need a strategy and, therefore, for coordination, also adequate means. Of all this, over all for the impulse - in terms of correct information - given by EARA onlus, the Regione autonoma Friuli Venezia Giulia, together with the departments of Health, Voluntary and Community policies, the Provinces, Federsanità ANCI and AICCRES (The National Associations of Italian Municipalities and European Regions) are now working together. EARA onlus was founded as a transnational context, in a social and environmental health macro-area that includes Veneto, Slovenia and the Croatian Adriatic counties, in addition to Friuli Venezia Giulia, a region which has coined the concept of 'good practice' and research in terms of excellence, universally recognized. Currently, we are willing to access to FERS Funds in order to establish such 'good practices' and improvements throughout the macro-area. Asbestos pollution has no boundaries. In addition, remembering the past experiences, we have to make treasure of all this in order not to make disasters happen again, such as those caused by the reckless use of asbestos. Even for this reason EARA onlus exists, as stated in its charter, this without forgetting other environmental hazards.

Therefore we thank all clinicians and researchers involved, as well as local administrators, social and sanitary managements, and local authorities who support this multidisciplinary and inter-institutional action with great professionalism. A synergy in 'dialogical network', appreciated both in Italy and in the neighboring regions.

Roberto Fonda
(EARA news, editor-in-chief)

PROGRAM

- 08.30-09.00 *Participant's registration*
- 09.00-09.30 *Greetings*
Carlo Favaretti, general manager S. Maria della Misericordia University Hospital Trust, Udine, coordinator HPH Italian Networks (WHO)
Giorgio Ros, general manager, ASS n. 4 "Medio Friuli"
Enio Decorte, Province of Udine, Assessor for Environment Protection
Giuseppe Napoli, President of Federsanità ANCI FVG
Carmela Sidoti, general manager of INAIL FVG
Maurizio Rocco, president of the Medical Association of the Province of Udine
Lodovico Nevio Puntin, general secretary of AICCRES FVG
Giorgio Venier Romano, president of the III Regional commission for Health
Paolo Tomatis, President of EARA onlus
Chairman:
Roberto Ferri, Regional Director for Prevention and Health Promotion
- 09.30-09.50 *Introduction speech*
"From Regional law nr. 22/2001 to nowadays: a balance between light and shadow"
Umberto Laurenzi, Assessor for Environment Protection, Municipality of Trieste, former President of the Regional Asbestos Commission
Speeches (official language: Italian)
- 09.50-10.10 *"Survey for the estimation of the incidence of mesothelioma and lung cancer in Friuli Venezia Giulia"*
Fabio Barbone, Professor of Hygiene Epidemiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Udine
- 10.10-10.30 *"The secondary prevention for patients exposed to asbestos: what ATOM 002 studies have taught us"*
Gianpiero Fasola and **Alessandro Follador**, Department for Oncology, S. Maria della Misericordia University Hospital Trust, Udine
- 10.30-10.50 *"Mapping of asbestos contaminated sites in Friuli Venezia Giulia and in the Province of Udine. The activities of ARPA FVG"*
Glaucio Spanghero, Scientific and Technical Department - ARPA FVG (Regional environment protection agency)

- 10.50-11.10 *"Legislative Decree 81/08: news and operational practices"*
Tullio Poian, Dept. for Prevention, ASS n. 4 "Medio Friuli"
- 11.10-11.30 *"The use of geographic information systems for monitoring and traceability of stored and non-stored asbestos"*
Paolo Bonivento, Vice-president of Cluster in Bio Medicine, Area Science Park, Trieste
- 11.30-11.45 *Coffee break*
- 11.45-12.00 *"Further explorations: techniques of neutralization of asbestos by heat"*
Renzo Simoni, Dept. for Prevention ASS n. 1 "Triestina", Regional Asbestos Commission
The case of Friuli Venezia Giulia, the Province of Udine
Chairman:
Giorgio Brianti, Director of Department for Prevention, ASS n. 4 "Medio Friuli"
- 12.00-13.00 *"Good practices of municipalities in the Province of Udine and contributions for decontamination of public and private areas"*
Planned interventions of the Mayors of Udine, **Furio Honsell**; Tavagnacco, **Mario Pezzetta**; and Ruda, **Palmina Mian**.
"Environmental risks in Friuli Venezia Giulia"
Gustavo Mazzi, President of ISDE Pordenone
- 13.00-13.30 *Debate and conclusions*

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- 13.30-14.30 *Lunch Buffet*
International Round Table^(*)
(official languages: Italian and English)
- 14.30-17.30 *Medical research on mesothelioma: possible coordination for a "common project?"*
Moderator: **Roberto Fonda**
For members of the EARA onlus **Scientific Committee**, as well as **national and international experts**.
- 17.30-18.00 *Final discussion and drafting of the "Charter of Udine" conclusive document*

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(*) This "round table" aims to be a virtuous path towards "meeting and knowledge exchange", in order to guide and track in the spirit of the theme treated, a "possible coordination and a desirable joint project".