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Aims of the workshop

- To examine challenges related to introducing and maintaining a HPV immunization program, including the degree of preparedness of all concerned parties to introduce a vaccine into pre-adolescent and adolescent populations
- To review country experiences of HPV vaccine introduction and perspectives on overcoming challenges
- To consider ways of engaging and communicating with different audiences, including the management of misperceptions and misinformation and overcoming the consequent vaccine hesitancy
- To discuss how challenges could be avoided or overcome.
- To discuss a safety plan, how can countries prepare themselves.



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Program

- 10:15 Presentation of objectives and Introduction of the participants
- 10:20 Presentation HPV vaccination coverage drop: are there common denominators? (Alex Vorsters and Pierre Van Damme)
- 10:45 Country presentations
- **United Kingdom:** Rene Skule, Miriam Edelsten; **Switzerland:** Susanne Stronski; **Slovenia:** Janja Schweiger Nemanić; **Macedonia:** Mimi Karovska Karel Hoppenbrouwers; **Finland:** Anelli Ignatius; **Croatië:** Neda Ferenčić Vrban; **Belgium/Flanders:** Corrine Vandermeulen;
- 11:45 Discussion