

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

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WEDNESDAY 18 MARCH 2026

LOCAL HALF DAY

09:00-10:30

The Italian Perspective on Haemovigilance (Part I)

Moderators: L. Teofili, I. Cuppari

Welcome addresses

- **S. Narayan** (IHN Board President), **L. Teofili** (CNS Director)
- **M. G. Laganà:** The National System for Sentinel Event Reporting (SIMES)
- **V. Piccinini:** National haemovigilance system data
- **I. Pati:** Emerging Arboviruses Infections in Italy

10:30-11:00

Morning tea

11:00-12:30

The Italian Perspective on Haemovigilance (Part II)

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- **S. Vaglio:** Haemoglobinopathies and thalassemia registry
- **G. Forni:** Supply of components for patients with haemoglobinopathies
- **G. De Silvestro:** Clinical implications of the Italian national register of therapeutic apheresis

12:30-13:30

Lunch

13:30-15:00

The power of international haemovigilance – sharing knowledge, sharing lives: Global Opportunities and Challenges

Moderators: S. Benson, U. La Rocca

Welcome addresses

- **L. Teofili** (CNS Director), **S. Iavicoli** (Ministry of Health)*, **IHN Board/Local Organizing Committee/IHN Seminar Committee**
- **E. Petrisli:** WHO NOTIFY 15 Year Anniversary
- **I. Pati:** Italian perspective on Haemovigilance
- **The Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency:** The Brazilian haemovigilance system
- **I. Seferi:** The Albanian haemovigilance system: challenges and opportunities

15:00-16:00

Afternoon tea

16:00-17:30

Haemovigilance in the digital age

Moderators: B. Whitaker, L. Teofili

- **C. Erikstrup:** The perspective of ISBT Big Data Working Group
- **C. Mikkelsen:** Big data in the prediction of adverse reactions in blood donors
- **V. McDonald:** Cyber security Case Study
- **H. Ezzeldin*:** Haemovigilance and AI

Social

Welcome Reception

***Invited**

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THURSDAY 19 MARCH 2026

08:30-10:00	Late but critical – Uncovering hidden / delayed risks of donation and transfusion Moderators: A. Colpo, IHN Moderator • M. Haugen: IgG levels in donors • V. Agostini: Delayed haemolytic transfusion reactions • The International Federation of Blood Donor Organizations: Donor perspective • S. Bruijns*: Adverse reactions in donors • TBA: ISBT Travel Award Abstract presentation
10:00-10:30	Morning tea
10:30-12:00	Back to Basics - Implementing the new SoHO regulation Moderators: B. Jacobson, L. Teofili Panel discussion: "What next for haemovigilance?" S. Van der Spiegel/M. Claus: (SoHO Team, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety European Commission) R. M. Grubovic Rastvorcva: (European Directorate for Quality Management, EDQM) European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, ECDC*
12:00-13:30	Lunch + IHN General Assembly
13:30-15:00	Paediatric transfusions – not just small adults (include illustrative case examples) Moderator: R. Messina, IHN Moderator • A. Kelly: SHOT last 10 years: Reference ranges / thresholds • R. Goel: REDS –Transfusion reactions • S. Arora: TBA • TBA: ISBT Travel Award Abstract presentation
15:00-15:30	Afternoon tea
15:30-17:00	Constraints on supply Moderators: P. C. Spinella, IHN Moderator • N. Blumberg: Platelets, the good, the bad and the ugly • W. Mayr: Climate change and emerging infectious diseases • O. Birger Vesterager Pedersen: Environmental contaminants e.g. PFAS • R.Cardigan*: Plasticisers

Social

Symposium Gala Dinner

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FRIDAY 20 MARCH 2026

08:30-10:00

Reappraising the past

Moderators: C. Mikkelsen, U. La Rocca

- **P. C. Spinella:** Increased use of LTOWB in RhD-negative women and alloimmunisation
- **L. Green*:** SWIFT Trial
- **M. Gybel-Brask:** Freeze dried plasma in a preclinical setting – The Danish experience
- **E. Kristoffersen:** Cold-stored platelets

10:00-10:30

Morning tea

10:30-11:30

Built for safety – designing systems that work for people

Moderators: S. Narayan, F. Fiorin

- **A. Oates:** Just culture

Traceability Panel

V. Rosa, S. Narayan, B. Whitaker

11:30-12:30

IHN AWARDS & CLOSING

Moderator: S. Narayan

IHN Medal: TBA

IHN Award and Lecture: TBA



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