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Annex 1 Member society profile (for the web site) (to be prepared as soon as you can and possibly before the October meeting)

1. Name of the society*/Institution* (included acronym):

Croatian Society for Medical Microbiology and Parasitology/ Section for HAI prevetion and Control

- 2. Legal address: Subiceva 9, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia
- 3. Logo of the society (to be published in the web site)



4. Flag of the country



- 5. President / legally responsible person: Prof Smilja Kalenic, MD, PhD, University of Zagreb School of Medicine, Dpt Of Medical Microbiology, Rockefellerova 3, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia
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7. Short presentation of the society: scope, members, history (max 250 words) The Society for Medical Microbiology and Parasitology was founded in 1947. During early 1990-ties a group of microbiologists started to work on healthcare associated infection prevention and control in hospitals and to promote HAI prevention and control in the Society. We have started to establish the Section during 2007, but the process was very slow and finally in 2010 a section has been founded inside the Society with a scope of promoting the development of legal infrastructure for HAI prevention and control, education of physicians and nurses at national level,

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organization of continuing medical education and symposia. Members are only microbiologists who are in the same time infection control physicians. The Section collaborates very closely with the Nurses Society for HAI prevention and Control.

- 8. Members in the last year (2011): 45.
- 9. Web site (if existing), and contact email address.

10. Publications: i.e. journals, books, guidelines, position papers, others

- you should mention them both in the national language and in English
- if they are accessible via email please provide the link.

Members of the Section have participated in the development of two Guidelines: "Guideline for prevention, treatment and control of infections caused by methicillinresistant Staphylococcus aureus" (2008) and "Guideline for hand hygiene in healthcare institutions" (2011), Both guidelines are in Croatian language, published in national medical journal (Liječnički Vjesnik).

11. Main activities: (max 250 words)

- a. Training initiatives : Each year , society organizes at least a training course for professionals.
- b. A Research-Seminar is organized each year for the presentation of the results of the projects in progress. Society proposes new guidelines.
- c. Every three years society organizes symposium about HAI; during 3 days, with more than 200 participants with a large professional exhibition (more than 15 exhibitors) with plenary sessions, parallel sessions, an international session in English, workshops, innovation sessions, etc...

12. Other aspect of interests