

Joint EDQM - Infarmed symposium on healthcare and medicines:

Meeting patient's needs through Council of Europe/EDQM
and national programmes

5-6 May 2026 - Infarmed, Parque de Saúde de Lisboa - Avenida do Brasil, 53
Lisbon, Portugal



Draft programme (subject to change) **Tuesday 5 May 2026**

8:30 - 9:30 Registration

Opening session

9:30 - 9:45: Welcome address

9:45 - 10:00: Setting the scene - Objectives of the event

Session I: Protecting public health: EDQM and Infarmed

10:00 - 10:15: EDQM activities to protect public health

10:15 - 10:30: Infarmed's involvement in EDQM's work

10:30 - 11:00: Coffee break

Session II: Infarmed: Innovative programmes

11:00 - 11:15: *Incluir* (patient engagement) project

11:15 -11:30: *Dispensa em Proximidade* (the Proximity Dispensing System) project

11:30 - 11:45: Patients' views on the *Incluir* and *Dispensa em Proximidade* projects

11:45 - 12:00: Question & Answer session

12:00 - 13:30: Lunch break



Session III: Medication review

13:30 - 13:50: EDQM Medication Review Guidelines

13:50 - 14:10: From guidelines to practice – Experiences at national level

14:10 - 14:40: Open discussion

14:40 -15:15: Coffee break

Session IV: Safe use of herbal food supplements

15:15 - 15:35: EDQM's contribution to the safe use of herbal food supplements

15:35 - 15:55: Consumers' and academia's perspectives

15:55 - 16:30: Open discussion

16:30 Close of Day 1

16:30 - 18:30 Reception

Wednesday 6 May 2026

9:00 - 9:05 Introduction

Session V: Traceability of medicines in hospital settings

9:05 - 9:25: EDQM best practices for traceability of medicines in hospital settings to minimise the occurrence of medication administration errors and ensure patient safety

9:25 - 9:45: Experiences at national level

9:45 - 10:05: Industry's, national competent authorities' and patients' perspectives on traceability of medicines in hospitals

10:05 - 10:35: Open discussion - The way forward

10:35 – 11:00: Coffee break



Session VI: Remote and online provision of medicines

11:00 - 11:20: Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers on best practices for the remote and online provision of medicines

11:20 - 11:50: Developments concerning remote and online provision of medicines

11:50 - 12:20: Open discussion

12:20 - 13:45: Lunch break

Session VII: EDQM's activities to promote best practices in healthcare and medicines: the way forward

13:45 - 14:45: Interactive discussion and Question & Answer session

Closing session

14:45 - 15:00: Reflections on the symposium and closing addresses

