

# 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

