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Dear Dr Belkania,

**Annual Meeting for Measles/Rubella National Reference Laboratories
Copenhagen, Denmark, 13-15 November 2018**

We are pleased to inform you that the Regional Office for Europe is organizing the above-mentioned meeting at UN City, Copenhagen, Denmark, on 13-15 November 2018.

The meeting aims to review the work of the measles/rubella laboratory network, provide technical updates and share examples of best practices for the laboratory-supported surveillance of these infections and its contribution to the verification process. The goal of the meeting is to contribute to strengthening countries' commitment to measles and rubella elimination goal, as well as provide a platform to exchange information, enhance the collaboration among the network and discuss challenges and future plans.

The working language of the meeting is English and Russian with simultaneous interpretation.

We kindly ask you to nominate the head of the Measles/Rubella National Reference laboratory in your country to take part in the meeting. The Regional Office will cover the costs related to the participation in the meeting.

We would be very grateful if you send, no later than Monday, 17 September 2018, the name of the nominated participant to both euvpilab@who.int and Florencia Biviano, bivianof@who.int.

Yours very truly,

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