

**Certified for success:**  
**using the CEP Procedure to elevate quality and drive trust**  
**23-24 September 2025, Budapest, Hungary**

**Tuesday, 23 September 2025**

**Draft Programme** *(subject to change, 23/05/25)*

**08:00 - 09:00 Registration**

**09:00 - 09:30 Welcome addresses**

**Petra Doerr**, EDQM, Council of Europe

**Rita Pálffy-Poór**, National Center for Public Health and Pharmacy (NNGYK)

**Susanne Keitel**, Chair of the CEP Steering Committee

**09:30 - 10:00 Keynote speech**

**Building Trust in a Challenging Public Health Environment**

Speaker invited - World Health Organization (WHO)

**10:00 - 10:30 Coffee break**

**10:30 - 12:30 Session I**

**Navigating CEP 2.0: A Game Changer**

**Moderator:** **Sarah-Taïssir Bencharif**, Medical Doctor and Health Care Reporter

**10:30 - 10:50 CEP 2.0: where do we stand today**

**Andrea Melloni**, EDQM, Council of Europe

**10:50 - 11:10 CEP 2.0: the CEP holder's perspective**

Speaker invited - Industry representative

**11:10 - 11:30 CEP 2.0: the pharmaceutical industry perspective**

**Karina Boszko**, Medicines for Europe

**11:30 - 11:50 CEP 2.0: the regulatory authorities perspective**

Speaker invited - Regulatory Authority representative

**11:50 - 12:30 Panel discussion and Q&A: has the CEP 2.0 achieved its goals?**

**12:30 - 13:30 Lunch break**

**13:30 - 15:30 Session II**

**Get ready! New Developments on the Horizon**

**Moderator:** **Sarah-Taïssir Bencharif**

**13:30 - 13:50 Applying modern technologies on well-established APIs**

**Stéphanie Girard**, Seqens

13:50 - 14:10 **Modernising the CEP procedure**

**Hélène Bruguera**, EDQM, Council of Europe

14:10 - 14:30 **Finding your way with the new eCTD (ICH-M4Q)**

**Ivica Malnar**, Agency for Medicinal Products and Medical Devices (HALMED)

14:30 - 14:50 **The potential use of AI for CEP assessments**

**Richard Weissmahr**, Swissmedic

14:50 - 15:30 **Panel discussion and Q&A**

**15:30 - 16:00 Coffee break**

**16:00 - 17:30 Session III**

**The power of GMP inspections**

**Moderator:** Sarah-Taïssir Bencharif

16:00 - 16:20 **The EDQM Inspection programme: the past, the present and the future!**

**Thomas Hecker**, EDQM, Council of Europe

16:20 - 16:40 **International Collaboration GMP inspections of API manufacturers**

Speaker invited - European Medicines Agency (EMA)

16:40 - 17:00 **The role of PIC/S to enhance inspections of API manufacturers globally**

**Hirofumi Suzuki**, PMDA secondee at Pharmaceutical Inspection Co-operation Scheme (PIC/S)

17:00 **Panel discussion and Q&A**

**17:30 Close of day 1**

**19:00 Official Dinner**

## **Wednesday, 24 September 2025**

**09:00 - 10:30 Session IV**

**Maximising the Potential of CEPs**

**Moderator:** Sarah-Taïssir Bencharif

09:00 - 09:20 **Relying on CEPs: ANVISA's experience**

Speaker invited - Agência Nacional de Vigilância Sanitária (ANVISA), Brazil

09:20 - 09:40 **Reliance is the key - Perspective of WHO and good reliance practices**

**Marie Valentin**, World Health Organization (WHO)

09:40 - 10:00 **CEP Acceptance – a global achievement (Industry views)**

**Melanie Ramsimmer**, Sandoz

10:00 - 10:30 **Panel – multi-stakeholder discussion and Q&A**

10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee break**

11:00 - 12:15 **Panel Discussion - Q&A**

**Future place of certification in the European Regulatory landscape**

**Moderator:** [Sarah-Taïssir Bencharif](#)

**Members of the panel will include:**

[Susanne Keitel](#), Chair of the CEP Steering Committee

[Petra Doerr](#), EDQM, Council of Europe

EU Commission

European Medicines Agency

European Chemical Industry Council / Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients Committee (APIC/Cefic)

Medicines for Europe

12:15 - 12:30 **Closing addresses / Closing remarks**

[Petra Doerr](#)