

European Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination

Dear Dr Micaela Santini
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Outcome of the 7th meeting of the European Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination

I have the honor of providing you with an update on the 2017 status of measles and rubella elimination following the 7th meeting of the European Regional Verification Commission for Measles and Rubella Elimination (RVC) held in Paris, France from 13 – 15 June 2018.

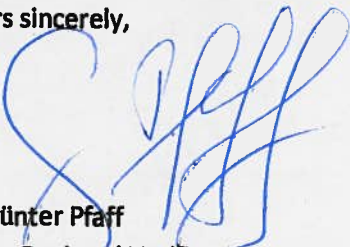
The RVC meets annually to review the status reports and associated documents received from the 53 Member States of the WHO European Region. The RVC reviews this information and verifies if the interruption of endemic measles and rubella virus transmission has been achieved at the national level and collectively reports on progress towards measles and rubella elimination at the regional level.

Based on the information provided by the National Verification Committee (NVC) for 2017, the RVC concluded that for *San Marino* the *endemic transmission of measles and rubella viruses has been interrupted for greater than 36 months – and is considered eliminated.*

I would again like to thank the National Verification Committee for their annual status update and continued contribution towards achieving the elimination of endemic measles and rubella in the WHO European Region. The RVC urges all Member States to address any immunity gaps in underserved population as well as to rapidly detect and response to any measles and rubella viruses.

Country specific recommendations as well as the meeting report with general conclusions recommendations will be published by 15 August 2018. Please do not hesitate to contact Dr Patrick O'Connor, Team Lead for Accelerated Disease Control at (oonnorp@who.int) or one of the other technical officers in the Vaccine Preventable Diseases and Immunization (VPI) programme at (eurvc@who.int) should you have any questions or comments.

Yours sincerely,



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