Stop TB Italia raises awareness in a Symposium on TB

Stop TB Italia and the Permanent Training Center on Tuberculosis are organizing the symposium “Tuberculosis: a complicated disease” on 14-15 October in Monza, Italy. The goal of the symposium is to remind Italians that based on recent events, it is clear that TB has not been eliminated in Italy and remains a global health challenge.

Stop TB Italia reminds us that in a globalized world, a public health problem anywhere is a public health problem everywhere. After the TB outbreak in Rome, Stop TB Italia decided to take action. They believe that there are not enough doctors dealing with TB nationally which results in diagnostic delay or mistaken diagnoses. If this persists, the infection rate could increase and it could result in multidrug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB) cases appearing in Italy.

The purpose of the symposium is to raise awareness among healthcare providers about TB prevention and management, standardize diagnosis and treatment, and to update participants on the latest reports and data on TB.

The first session of the symposium is dedicated to the philosophy and historical issues related to TB in order to stimulate new discussion based on non-traditional perspectives. The second session of the symposium will take a systemic approach to understanding TB, looking at the complexity of the disease and the potentially complex solutions.