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Regulatory Science and Innovation Task Force

Agenda — Medicine Shortages SPOC Working Party

Tuesday, 20 January 2026, from 09:30 to 13:10 (CET), TEAMS

Chair: Monica Dias (EMA), Vice-Chair: Vasileios Loutas (PhS, Ministry of Health, Cyprus)

Item	Topic
1.	Welcome, declaration of interest, adoption of draft agenda
2.	Adoption of draft minutes of the SPOC WP meeting held on 9 December 2025
3.	Potential impact of the international situation on the supply of medicinal products for human and veterinary use to the European market:
	a) Feedback from the SPOC WP subgroup on crisis monitoring and preparedness • Update on the geopolitical situation • Availability of antibiotics: update on preparedness activities

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4.	Oral status update on availability of human and veterinary medicines in MSs (only for new emerging information)
5.	Critical shortages escalated to the SPOC Working Party:
5.1	Ongoing shortages
	a) Medicinal products manufactured by Pharmathen International site
	b) Medicinal products from MAH Cheplapharm Feedback from the SPOC WP Subgroup on Cheplapharm
	c) Glucagon-like Peptide-1 (GLP-1) Receptor Agonists
5.2	Status update on other critical shortages escalated to the SPOC WP (only comments relating to previously circulated written updates)
	a) NovoSeven CAP (eptacog alfa) – MAH: Novo Nordisk
	b) Biltricide NAP (praziquantel) – MAH: Bayer
	c) Medicinal products containing salbutamol (inhalation use)
	d) Shortage and discontinuation of insulin containing medicinal products
6.	The value of ISO IDMP PhPID in clinical healthcare – within a country, cross border and in-hospital use
7.	Executive Steering Group on Shortages and Safety of Medicinal Products (MSSG)-led activities:
	a) Feedback from the MSSG meeting on 17 December 2025
	b) MSSG WG on the Voluntary Solidarity Mechanism and Policy Union list of critical medicines – launch of 2026 annual review

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8.	EC DG SANTE update
9.	Drug Shortage Global Regulatory Working group — update
10.	AOB
11.	Conclusions and next steps

Next meeting: 17 February, TEAMS
