



# NEWSLETTER

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## CELEBRATING SUCCESS AND LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FINAL MILESTONES

As we bid farewell to another busy year, it is with great pleasure that we share the exciting progress and achievements of VAX-TRUST. It has been a year filled with implementation of interventions targeted to health professionals encountering vaccine hesitancy, evaluation of these activities and reaching of meaningful milestones that have brought us closer to our shared goals. One of the highlights of the year was undoubtedly the workshop hosted by Universidade Nova de Lisboa in Portugal. The seminar not only provided a platform for knowledge exchange but also allowed our diverse team to come together in a setting that fostered creativity and collaboration. Looking ahead, we have an eagerly anticipated event on the horizon – the [Final Conference](#) in February. Wishing you all a joyous holiday season and looking forward to a successful conclusion to VAX-TRUST in the upcoming year!

### SEMINAR IN LISBON

Lisbon served as an inspiring backdrop for analysis and evaluation of the vaccine hesitancy training interventions implemented in seven VAX-TRUST countries, as the Consortium met in person in a seminar hosted by the Institute of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (IHMT) of Universidade Nova de Lisboa from October 24th to 26th. Approximately two dozen researchers gathered for this event, including one partner participating remotely. The reflections on challenges faced, results achieved, and lessons learned will contribute to evidence-based interventions and European policies. Find the full story by clicking [here](#)! We are also pleased to publish a selection of the [materials](#) developed in each country to facilitate the training of health professionals to address vaccine hesitancy.

### A FINAL CONFERENCE IN FEBRUARY 2024

The Final Conference “Understanding vaccine hesitancy in Europe” will take place 6–7 February 2024 in Tampere, Finland and online for the wider audience. This culmination of our efforts will showcase the work accomplished throughout the project duration. It will be an opportunity to present our findings, share insights, and engage in discussions that will propel the project's impact into the future. The participation at the event is open for all and is free of charge, but please [register](#) today to receive the link! We look forward to seeing you there!

### THE PROJECT

*Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy in Europe* (VAX-TRUST) examines vaccine hesitancy as a broad societal phenomenon with the primary aim to provide tools and support for healthcare professionals in encountering vaccine hesitant individuals.

VAX-TRUST is a H2020 funded project that started in March 2021 and is to last until the end of February 2024.

Please visit our website for more information: <https://vax-trust.eu>

### EVALUATION

We interviewed the IHMT-NOVA team on the insights of evaluation.

Read the full story [here](#)!





*VAX-TRUST Consortium group photo, seminar in Lisbon in 2023.*



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