



## AHF Europe 1 Million Tests

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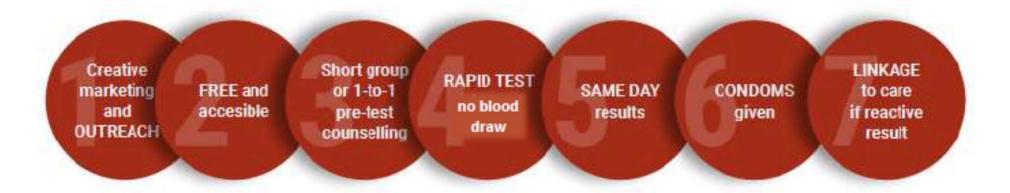
# AHF Europe Rapid Testing Program



- AHF's Rapid Testing Program (RTP) is an advocacy initiative that brings accessible, convenient and free HIV testing to communities in 39 countries around the world.
- The AIDS Healthcare Foundation Europe (AHF Europe) begun its work in 2009 in Odessa
- Currently AHF Europe operates in 9 European countries: Ukraine, Russia, Estonia, the Netherlands, Georgia, UK and in partnership in Greece (Positive Voice and the City of Athens), Lithuania (Demetra) and Portugal (GAT).



# AHF Europe Rapid Testing Program (RTP)



- The RTP is a **model of operation** and an **advocacy tool** to **influence government policies** on how rapid testing can be done cost-efficiently and effectively on a wide scale to help people learn their HIV status and be linked to care.
- AHF Europe's RTP operates in medical settings and non-medical community based settings.



## **Onsite and Offsite Testing**



AHF Checkpoint Amsterdam



AHF Checkpoint Kyiv



AHF Test & Treat Clinic, Odessa



Linda Clinic, Narva



AHF Checkpoint Amsterdam



AHF Russia partners



AHF partners, GAT Portugal



AHF Ukraine



### **RTP Results**

#### Testing and sero-positivity by country (2010-2017)

Country	Total tests done	Reactive tests	Sero- positivity rate	Linkage (2013-2016)
Ukraine	432 921	21 172	5%	65%
Russia	325 041	15 488	5%	71%
Estonia	68 560	1 386	2%	34%
Lithuania	85 093	1 161	1,4%	71%
Netherlands	15 454	164	1%	53%
Greece	56 405	818	1,5%	88%
Portugal	47 753	875	1,9%	59%
Total	1 031 227	41 676	4%	66%

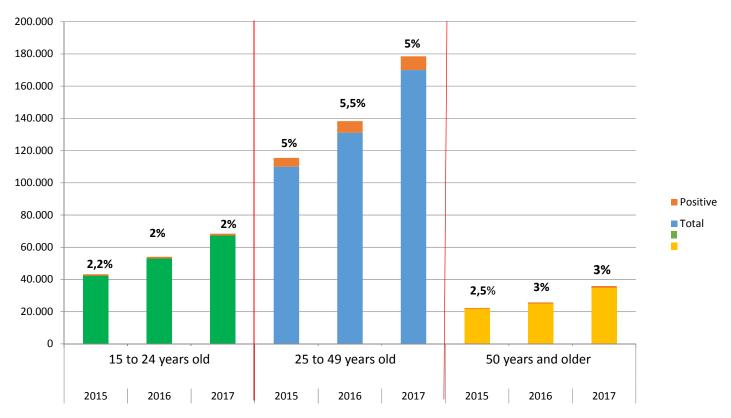
#### Condoms distributed from 2013-2017

Country	LOVE Condoms
Ukraine	2 223 233
Russia*	903 870
Estonia	557 920
Netherlands	645 203
Greece	3 686 500
Portugal	2 513 990
Lithuania	546 617
Total	11 077 333

<sup>\*</sup> in Russia we distribute "other procured condoms" mainly (not LOVE Condoms)

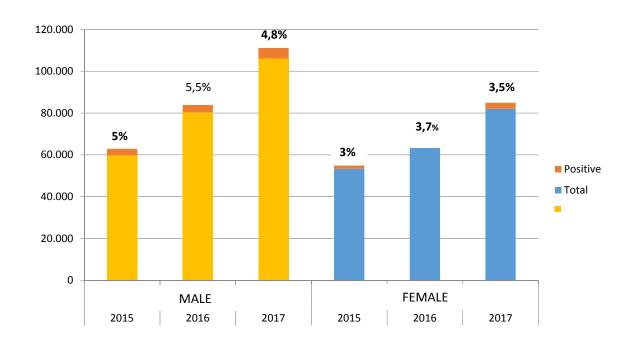


## Sero-positivity in age groups 2015-2017





### First time testers 2015-2017

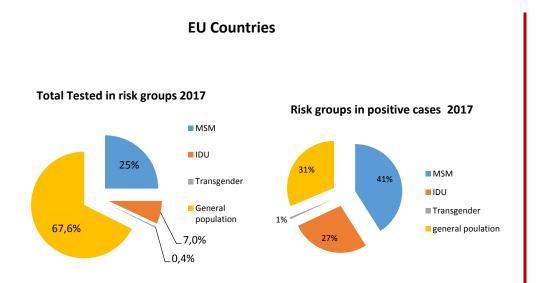


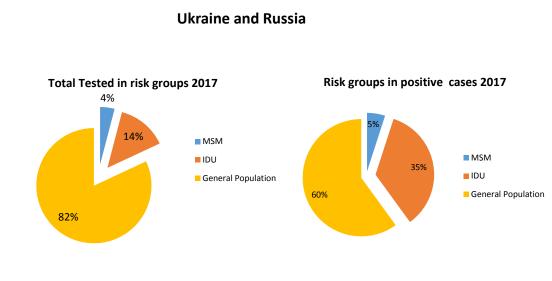
\*Whilst AHF did tests people who identified as Transgender the results were not statistically significant



## Targeted Testing: EU & Non-EU (2017)

The AHF RTP model uses a highly effective targeted testing approach whilst offering testing without discrimination for the general population. Developed around specific cultural contexts, the model demonstrates a high find rate amongst key affect populations (KAP).





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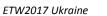


## Europe Testing Week initiative: 2013-2017

<b>EU Countries</b>	
Countries	Czech Republic, Croatia, Italy, Ireland,
	Greece, Latvia, Romania, Estonia,
	Netherlands (marketing), Spain, Cyprus
Number of NGOs	11
Tests done	9 675
Reactive cases	159
seropositivity	1.6%
linkage	10 (7%)

Non-EU Countries	
Countries	Ukraine, Russia, Kazakhstan, Georgia, Armenia
Number of NGOs	17
Tests done	15 663
Reactive cases	463
seropositivity	3%
linkage	126 (27%)







ETW2017 Cyprus



ETW2017 Spain



#### **ADVOCACY ACHIEVEMENTS**

Inclusion of AHF RTP model into National Testing and Treatment Guidelines in Ukraine



- Availability of HIV rapid test for family doctors in Estonia
- Inclusion of HIV rapid test into the state health insurance plan in Estonia



#### **WORK ON COST-EFFICIENCY**

AHF COST PER TEST (all costs, including marketing)

- EU countries- below 50 USD
- Non-EU countries- below 10 USD
- AHF operated site in AMS- 50 USD



#### **ADVOCACY**

Testing is the first step in the continuum of care, enhancing this initial phase is at the core of AHF's RTP advocacy goals.



- Use of two rapid test for HIV diagnosis; changing the testing algorithm to be used across Europe
- The need to bring HIV rapid testing to all settings, including medical and non-medical, use of indicator disease testing and making rapid HIV testing widely available



• The need for efficient targeted testing for key affected populations (KAP)



- The need for cost-efficient and sustainable rapid testing services
- Linking every reactive case to care





## Thank you

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