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# 1. EUPHA update

## **EUPHA supports the Mexico Declaration for circulatory health**

The [Mexico Declaration](#) is a historic circulatory health declaration that was signed by leading global organisations at the World Congress of Cardiology and Cardiovascular Health 2016.

The Declaration, reproduced in full below, is a firm commitment to tackle cardiovascular disease (CVD), the world's leading cause of premature death, recognizing that global action, national plans and a common vision are needed to achieve this.

## **World No Tobacco Day - We Care**

For the World No Tobacco Day, EUPHANxt and EUPHA launched the 'we care' campaign, asking everyone in the network to contribute to build a smoke-free world by talking to at least one smoker (a friend, a relative, or even a stranger) and:

- inform him/her how important he/she is for future society; and
- suggest him/her to stop smoking.

This campaign led to a number of reactions in our network including a large number of national campaigns on the topic.

## **EUPHANxt update**

We are very pleased to announce that one of our EUPHANxt coordinators, Ms Tjede Funk, has successfully obtained her Master degree in Global Health at the Department of Public Health Sciences of the Karolinska Institute, Sweden. Her master thesis was on: Health Extension Workers' experiences of working with two different follow-up recommendations for children with unclassified fever. Tjede will continue to coordinate the EUPHANxt network.

## **PhD thesis Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat**

We congratulate our president-elect, Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat, with the successful defense of her PhD thesis on 28 June at Maastricht University, The Netherlands.

# 2. European Public Health Conference



## **9th European Public Health Conference: All for Health, Health for All Austria Centre Vienna, 9 - 12 November 2016**

### **Pre-conferences**

The pre-conference programme is available on the EPH Conference website. This year we offer interesting sessions on mental health and architecture, pricing of food, safety promotion, patient participation, health information, health promotion, workforce governance, public health preparedness and the results of the Joint Action on chronic diseases.

Check the preconference webpages for regular updates as the programme is still expanding.

<https://ephconference.eu/2016-pre-conference-programme-235>

### **Registration**

Registration for the EPH Conference is open. You can benefit from early bird registration fees until 1 September. Registration for pre-conferences is required also when they are offered free of charge to delegates.

### **Abstract decisions**

The EPH Conference Executive Board met on 13 June 2016 to decide on cut-off points for workshops, oral presentations, pitch presentations and poster presentations. The following decisions were made:

Workshops 90 minutes average score of 4.950 or higher were accepted in the programme

Workshops 60 minutes	average score of 4.000 or higher were accepted in the programme
Oral presentations	average score of 5.000 or higher were accepted
Pitch presentations	average score of 4.375 or higher were accepted
E-Poster walks	average score of 4.000 or higher were accepted in the E-poster walks
E-Poster displays	average score of 3.500 or higher were accepted as E-poster displays

The preliminary programme will be available shortly.

### 3. EUPHA members update

#### **Message to all SSM members, and to EUPHA and FPH:**

By now you will have seen the result of the UK's referendum on membership of the European Union.

Having sought the express permission of its 500+ members, the Society for Social Medicine issued a statement on 24th May lending its public support to the "Healthier In" and "Scientists for EU" groups in favour of the UK's continued membership of the EU. The overwhelming support received for this position – from 82% of those who voted compared to just 4% of respondents who believed that the Society should support groups backing exit from the EU – reflected the general feeling among the scientific community in the UK that membership of the EU was beneficial to the health of the UK population and for European research potential.

We are thus very disappointed by the result of the referendum that the UK should leave the EU. At this stage we are faced with uncertainty regarding the process of withdrawal. We would like to reassure you that as a Society we remain fully committed to the European Public Health Association and to maintaining good working relationships with European countries and organisations. We appreciate the invaluable contribution to research in social medicine within the UK that is made by researchers from other countries including EU nationals. The Society for Social Medicine is committed to recognition of public health as a global issue and we will work through the difficult times ahead to ensure that we continue to collaborate as fully as possible with our international partners to advance knowledge for population health.

Professor Aileen Clarke, President  
On behalf of the committee of the Society for Social Medicine

#### **French Society of Public Health: joint statement Health must be addressed by the International climate conference COP21**

***Joint Declaration of the French Public Health Association, the French Society of Environmental Health, the French Medical Council,***  
*supported by their European partners: The **European Public Health Association (EUPHA),***  
***Standing Committee of European Doctor (CPME), and the European Council of Medical Orders (CEOM)***  
*and their international partners: the **World Medical Association (WMA), the Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL), and the Conférence Francophone des Ordres des Médecins (CFOM).***

Paris, June 29, 2015

The 21st Conference of the Parties of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21) will take place in December in Paris. It is an important opportunity to tackle the impact of climate change on health by drafting a genuine universal agreement which would put health to the foreground in the debate on climate change and would reduce the serious health-related risks the world faces today. The major, future climatic phenomena represent a significant risk both for health as well as for the lives of the most vulnerable people. The consequences on individuals' health will vary substantially depending on their economic, social and cultural background. Public health actors and the entire global medical community welcome all measures which prevent the degradation caused by climatic events, the impact of which can be observed on a daily basis (floods, storms, desertification, changes to the ecosystem for both flora and fauna – including disease vectors – , extreme weather conditions...), and which prevent the direct and indirect consequences of these

impacts on the health of individuals and populations: deaths and medical emergencies, infectious diseases, physical and mental disabilities, breakdowns within the healthcare supply chain and the existing health infrastructure, and mass displacement of populations. Any climate-related action that recognizes these challenges should maintain and improve health, benefit sustainable development and enhance worldwide equity.

The signatories are therefore concerned that the COP21 does not take health measures that are necessary to address climate-related events and consequences sufficiently into account.

On the occasion of this global summit, the signatories want to see reiterated the legitimate role and place of health professionals who are involved at many different levels in providing healthcare for the current and future victims of climate change consequences:

- In their role in the prevention of diseases caused by climate-related disasters and the promotion of public health policy at the service of the patients;
- In their role as healthcare providers for populations in emergency health situations where urgent primary health care interventions are required; and
- In addressing chronic diseases or illnesses caused by climate change.

The healthcare sector, health professionals and especially doctors should take an active role in preparing society for these challenges as well as helping to tackle the consequences.

The official COP21 agenda must therefore increase the focus on health challenges<sup>2</sup> and increase the involvement of health professionals.

Signatories ask the French authorities to explicitly include health in the final negotiations and commitments of COP21.

### **SESPAS - June update**

SESPAS joined late April the [Health and Trade Network](#) in order to collaborate with other societies and experts to prevent the negative health effects from international trade agreements like the TTIP (Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, see [SESPAS' statement on TTIP](#)). The society endorsed WFPHA's [A Global Charter for the Public's Health](#) and published a [press release](#) explaining in Spanish the aims of the charter and the importance of public health associations in aiding governments to design their health agendas.

SESPAS' president, Prof. Beatriz González López-Valcárcel, participated in an [online debate](#) on the challenges of the Spanish health care system. And past-president Prof. Idefonso Hernández examined in a popular blog the [public health implications of the Zika virus](#) in the context of the Olympic games in Brasil.

Following our aim to collaborate with and foster an ongoing dialogue with political representatives at a national and regional level SESPAS held successful meetings with the general directors of public health of the regions of Madrid and Navarra. In the context of the XXVII Minorca School of Public Health (19-22 September 2016), SESPAS collaborates with the [international course on "Public Health Advocacy"](#) by Prof. Simon Chapman.

Furthermore, SESPAS recently celebrated the significant increase of [Gaceta Sanitaria's](#) impact factor, SESPAS' scientific journal of public health, as well as the publication of "[Identifying health policy priorities](#)", based on a panel discussion including several SESPAS' members last year.

For more information, please visit our website <http://www.sespas.es/>

## **4. European Journal of Public Health**



The [European Journal of Public Health](#) is a multidisciplinary journal in the field of public health. The EJPH is published bimonthly. The journal provides a forum for discussion and debate of current international public health issues with a focus on the European region. In 2014, the impact factor of the journal is at 2.591. The 5-year impact factor is 2.512. The EJPH is the official journal of EUPHA.

### **Eur J Public Health Advance Access for June 16, 2016**

#### **Articles**

Quantifying low-value services by using routine data from Austrian primary care

Martin Sprenger, Martin Robausch, and Adrian Moser

Eur J Public Health published 16 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw080

[\[Abstract\]](#)

Health literacy in Europe: the development and validation of health literacy prediction models  
Iris van der Heide, Ellen Uiters, Kristine Sørensen, Florian Röthlin, Jürgen Pelikan, Jany Rademakers,  
Hendriek Boshuizen, and on behalf of the EPHORT consortium  
Eur J Public Health published 16 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw078  
[\[Abstract\]](#)

Differences in mortality between groups of older migrants and older non-migrants in Belgium, 2001–09  
Matias Reus-Pons, Hadewijch Vandenhede, Fanny Janssen, and Eva U.B. Kibele  
Eur J Public Health published 16 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw076  
[\[Abstract\]](#)

Variation in induction of labour rates across Irish hospitals; a cross-sectional study  
Sarah-Jo Sinnott, Richard Layte, Aoife Brick, and Michael J Turner  
Eur J Public Health published 5 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw060  
[\[Abstract\]](#)

Gender inequalities in mental wellbeing in 26 European countries: do welfare regimes matter?  
Stefanie Dreger, Thomas Gerlinger, and Gabriele Bolte  
Eur J Public Health published 3 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw074  
[\[Abstract\]](#)

Occupational, social and medical characteristics of early prenatal leave in France  
Solène Vigoureux, Béatrice Blondel, Virginie Ringa, and Marie-Josèphe Saurel-Cubizolles  
Eur J Public Health published 3 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw072  
[\[Abstract\]](#)

Inclusion of migrants and ethnic minorities in European birth cohort studies—a scoping review  
Angelique Grosser, Oliver Razum, Tanja G. M. Vrijkotte, Ina-Merle Hinz, and Jacob Spallek  
Eur J Public Health published 3 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw068  
[\[Abstract\]](#)

Trends and predictors of knowledge about HIV/AIDS and its prevention and transmission methods  
among women in Tajikistan  
Hakim Zainiddinov and Nazim Habibov  
Eur J Public Health published 3 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw077  
[\[Abstract\]](#)

## 5. Call for proposals, job opportunities

### EU Expert Panel on Effective ways of Investing in Health: new terms 2016-2019

The European Commission seeks experts, covering a wide range of disciplines, to join an independent expert panel, on effective ways of investing in health, established in 2012. This panel supports the Commission by preparing opinions on new forms of healthcare models and the challenges health systems are confronted in Europe, with a view to ensure that health systems are effective, accessible and resilient. Examples of potential areas where the panel could be invited to give opinions include, but are not limited to: primary care, hospital care, integrated care models, pharmaceutical expenditure, research and development, disease prevention and health promotion, links with the social protection sector, cross-border issues, system financing, information systems, health inequalities, etc. Members of the panel will be appointed by the Commission on the basis of their expertise in one or several areas, as described in [Annex I of Decision Decision 2012/C 198/06](#). Members will be appointed for a period of three years, and may serve up to three consecutive terms.

More information on the application procedure and the application form are available at the following addresses:

[http://ec.europa.eu/transparency/regexpert/index.cfm?do=calls.calls\\_for\\_app](http://ec.europa.eu/transparency/regexpert/index.cfm?do=calls.calls_for_app)

Please note that **only online applications submitted at the above addresses** will be eligible.

**Deadline for submitting your application: 12:00 CET on 26 July 2016**

**Contact information:**

For any further information on this call, please contact  
SANTE-CALL-EXPERTS@ec.europa.eu

## 6. Interesting news

### **Course on "Public Health Advocacy" by Prof. Simon Chapman at the XXVII Minorca School of Public Health (19-22 September 2016)**

The course (9 to 2.30 pm) will be divided between interactive lectures from Prof. Chapman on advocacy, particularly on media advocacy, and his recent research on the nature of influential research and researchers. All participants will participate in *problem-based learning* by working in small group on realistic scenarios of public health problems where advocacy is required to change public and political awareness and support. Practical information will be given on writing letters to newspapers, blogs and opinion page articles, and on strategic planning for interviews.

The course is addressed to public and community health professionals and researchers with or without experience in communicating with the media and/or politicians. There will be some mandatory pre-course tasks. All participants have to be fluent in English. The course is limited to 25 attendees, to be accepted in order of registration.

More information and registration: <http://bit.ly/ChapmanCourse>

### **EuroHealthNet urges ministers across Europe to stimulate action to tackle poverty, social exclusion and inequalities**

EuroHealthNet has welcomed the draft Council Conclusions[i] on *Combating poverty and social exclusion: an integrated approach*, which is due to be discussed by national Ministers in the EPSCO Council this week (16-17 June). [ii] It congratulates the Dutch Presidency and EU Institutions for bringing forward these far-reaching Conclusions, which now should be matched by concrete actions appropriate for the unacceptable scale of “*the tide*” of poverty, exclusion and inequity which is faced by many millions of European people.

EuroHealthNet is particularly pleased to see that evidence to which its members and partners have contributed is being taken into account:

*On rising inequalities:* we note the important albeit belated acknowledgement of ‘*increasing divergences between and within member States*’, which reflects the growing evidence behind the core purpose of EuroHealthNet to improve health and tackle inequalities.

*On integrating across sectors:* we welcome the stress in the Conclusions on the role of health and long term care systems. Evidence, including from the WHO Europe 2020 strategy,[iii] shows they can contribute towards reducing poverty and exclusion as well as preventing consequences which include clear social gradients in ill-health.

*On social investments:* recognising fiscal constraints, EuroHealthNet commends the learning being developed within the EU Social Investment Package process [iv] and the EU Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI) programme.[v] In particular we highlight that “*the effectiveness of social protection systems could be improved by complementing universal systems with selective and individualised approaches targeted to those in need.*”

*On concrete actions:* EuroHealthNet calls on EU Ministers and Institutions to step up and ensure integration of the EU 2020 priority objectives [vi] with the universal UN Sustainable Development Goals[vii] to support common approaches; and to integrate innovative thinking on the potential new EU Pillar on Social Rights via the current public consultation,[viii] in which it is acknowledged that “*the EU does not have the competence to adopt legislation for the combatting of social exclusion*”.

Therefore all other measures in the *Acquis*, including effective use of funding programmes such as ESIF[ix] and EFSI[x] by all stakeholders, should be brought to bear in much more integrated ways.

EuroHealthNet Policy Director Clive Needle said “*The Conclusions are right to state that ‘it is time to turn the tide’ to prioritise the many millions of European citizens and families who are suffering most.*

*These are the kind of integrated, inclusive approaches identified in the text and appended good practices offer that ways to achieve the EU objectives for economic and social cohesion, rights, values and wellbeing for all its peoples. Now it is up to us all to make this approach reality.*

For further information see [c.needle@eurohealthnet.eu](mailto:c.needle@eurohealthnet.eu)

For further information see [http://eurohealthnet.eu/media/eurohealthnet-urges-ministers-across-europe-stimulate-action-tackle-poverty-social-exclusion#\\_edn1](http://eurohealthnet.eu/media/eurohealthnet-urges-ministers-across-europe-stimulate-action-tackle-poverty-social-exclusion#_edn1) or please contact Clive Needle [c.needle@eurohealthnet.eu](mailto:c.needle@eurohealthnet.eu)

### **Ageing lungs in European cohorts (ALEC Study)**

This study will improve our understanding of risk factors for low lung function, respiratory disability and the development of chronic obstructive lung disease (COPD), by using information held within existing cohort studies. Even though COPD has long been viewed as a predominantly smoking-related disease, there is increasing awareness that lifestyle and environment contribute to disease even from very early in life, including before birth.

COPD is a major cause of disease, disability and death in European adults and lung function is a critical objective marker of good lung health, strongly associated with other major chronic diseases (for example, cardiovascular disease) and is a major independent determinant of overall health status.  
<http://www.alecstudy.org/>

### **State of Health in the EU**

[Commissioner Andriukaitis announces the State of Health in the EU initiative](#) With this package, the Commission will bring together internationally recognised expertise with the aim to provide Member States with evidence on health that is relevant to their specific country context and can maximise the effectiveness, accessibility and resilience of their health systems.

### **Pictures warning of smoking dangers on cigarette packs increased quit attempts**

Affixing pictures on cigarette packets to illustrate the danger of smoking increased attempts by smokers to quit, according to the results of a clinical trial.  
<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

### **Level of education in a given country correlates well with life expectancy at birth**

The level of education in a given country correlates well with life expectancy at birth, according to a new study published in the International Journal of Innovation and Learning. The researchers suggest that educating the young as well as encouraging lifelong learning could both improve the figures still further.  
<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

### **'Traffic-light' and numeric calorie labels cut calorie consumption by 10 percent**

When researchers added color-coded or numeric calorie labels to online food ordering systems, the total calories ordered was reduced by about 10 percent when compared to menus featuring no calorie information at all. The study is the first to evaluate the effect of 'traffic-light' calorie labeling in the increasingly common setting of ordering meals online.  
<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

### **Transgender rights critical for the health of 25 million transgender people worldwide**

2015 was an unprecedented year in the recognition of transgender rights in some high-income countries. However, as a new series of articles reveals, public recognition has yet to translate to a concerted effort to support and improve the health of transgender people across the world.  
<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

## **7. Upcoming courses and conferences**



[Going International](#) is the first source for finding courses, seminars, congresses and other events in the fields of medicine & health. Going International is Europe's biggest service provider and information platform and serves as an interface between organisers and participants of events. Going International is an official partner of EUPHA.

Title: **[5th Annual International Festival of Public Health](#)**  
Date / location: 1 Jul 2016 / Manchester, United Kingdom  
Organiser: Manchester Urban Collaboration on Health

Title: **[Economics of Health Inequality](#)**  
Date / location: 4 Jul 2016 - 8 Jul 2016 / Rotterdam, The Netherlands  
Organiser: Rotterdam Summers School Platform



- Title: **2016 Summer Course on Assessing Public Health in Emergency Situations (APHES)**  
Date / location: 4 Jul 2016 - 15 Jul 2016 / Brussels, Belgium  
Organiser: Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED)
- Title: **EURADIA summer research meeting: Sustainable Innovation in Diabetes Research: How Europe can Rise to the Challenge**  
Date / location: 13 Jul 2016 / Brussels, Belgium  
Organiser: EURADIA: Alliance for European Diabetes Research
- Title: **Observatory Venice Summer School 2016**  
Date / location: 24 Jul 2016 - 30 Jul 2016 / Island of San Servolo  
Organiser: European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies
- Title: **2nd International conference on Public Health (ICOPH) 2016: Bridging the gap between research and policy and creating a global platform to discuss evidence based health policies and interventions in public health**  
Date / location: 28 Jul 2016 - 29 Jul 2016 / Colombo, Sri Lanka  
Organiser: TIIKM Sri Lanka
- Title: **The 25th ETC-PHHP residential Summercourse: "Health and Place, Connecting People, Environment and Health"**  
Date / location: 31 Jul 2016 - 13 Aug 2016 / Wageningen, Netherlands  
Organiser: Health and Society group, Wageningen University
- Title: **35th European Course in Tropical Epidemiology**  
Date / location: 16 Aug 2016 - 2 Sep 2016 / Lisbon, Portugal  
Organiser: Institute of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
- Title: **28th annual conference. Old and new risks: challenges for environmental epidemiology**  
Date / location: 1 Sep 2016 - 4 Sep 2016 / Rome, Italy  
Organiser: ISEE
- Title: **Cross-cutting Informal Care and Professional Primary Care**  
Date / location: 5 Sep 2016 - 6 Sep 2016 / Riga, Latvia  
Organiser: European Forum for Primary Care
- Title: **The International Congress of Dietitians (ICD)**  
Date / location: 7 Sep 2016 - 10 Sep 2016 / Granada, Spain  
Organiser: International Confederation of Dietetic Associations and Fundación Española of Dietistas-Nutricionistas
- Title: **Introduction to Mathematical Models of the EPIDEMIOLOGY and CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES Short Course for Professionals**  
Date / location: 12 Sep 2016 - 23 Sep 2016 / London, United Kingdom  
Organiser: Imperial College Department of Infectious Disease Epidemiolog
- Title: **The 8th International Conference on Children's Health and the Environment**  
Date / location: 14 Sep 2016 - 16 Sep 2016 / Barcelona, Spain
- Title: **12th World Conference on Injury prevention and safety promotion (from research to implementation)**  
Date / location: 18 Sep 2016 - 21 Sep 2016 / Tampere, Finland  
Organiser: National Institute for Health and Welfare

Title: **Public Health: know your limits' – putting the public at the centre of urban health**  
Date / location: 19 September 2016, London, United Kingdom  
Organiser: City Health International

Title: **Public Health Advocacy by Prof. Simon Chapman**  
Date / location: 19-22 September 2016, Minorca (Spain)  
Organiser: XXVII Minorca School of Public Health, Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo, Spanish Society of Public Health and Health Administration

Title: **Summer School: Spatial Epidemiology, Climate and Health**  
Date / location: 26 Sep 2016 - 30 Sep 2016 / Bielefeld, Germany  
Organiser: University of Bielefeld

Title: **4th International Conference on Responsible Use of Antibiotics in Animals**  
Date / location: 26 Sep 2016 - 28 Sep 2016 / The Hague, The Netherlands  
Organiser: Integration of animal human and environmental health

Title: **Modeling Approaches for HTA: A Practical hands-on workshop**  
Date / location: 28 Sep 2016 - 30 Sep 2016 / Tyrol, Austria  
Organiser: UMIT - University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology

Title: **The Third International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health**  
Date / location: 2 Oct 2016 - 5 Oct 2016 / Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
Organiser: Centre of Law Enforcement and Public Health

Title: **The International Nutrition and Diagnostics Conference - INDC 2016**  
Date / location: 3 Oct 2016 - 6 Oct 2016 / Prague, Czech Republic  
Organiser: INDC

Title: **Aging and Society: Sixth International Conference**  
Date / location: 6 Oct 2016 - 7 Oct 2016 / Norrköping, Sweden  
Organiser: National Institute for the Study of Ageing and Later Life (NISAL) and Linköping University

Title: **Public health research in real-life settings'- evaluation**  
Date / location: 24 Oct 2016 - 25 Oct 2016 / Wageningen, The Netherlands  
Organiser: Wageningen University

Title: **Maastricht University Health Care Leadership Course**  
Date / location: 2 Nov 2016 - 5 Nov 2016 / Maastricht, The Netherlands  
Organiser: Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences, Maastricht University

Title: **Healthy aging at the crossroads: challenges and need for further action**  
Date / location: 30 Nov 2016 - 2 Dec 2016 / Istanbul, Turkey  
Organiser: The Healthy Community Association

Title: **One Health EcoHealth 2016**  
Date / location: 4 Dec 2016 - 7 Dec 2016 / Melbourne, Australia  
Organiser: International Association for Ecology and Health

Title: **Pregnancy and programming and later risk of obesity related disease**  
Date / location: 12 Dec 2016 - 16 Dec 2016 / Frederiksberg, Denmark

Organiser: Graduate school of Health and Medical Sciences

Title: **31st International Papillomavirus Conference and Clinical and Public Health Workshops (HPV 2017)**

Date / location: 28 Feb 2017 - 4 Mar 2017 / Cape Town, South Africa

Organiser: International Papillomavirus Society

Title: **15th World Congres on Public Health**

Date / location: 3 Apr 2017 - 7 Apr 2017 / Melbourne, Australia

Organiser: WFPHA and Tunisian Association of Health Promotion

Title: **The Sixth ESWI Influenza Conference**

Date / location: 10 Sep 2017 - 13 Sep 2017 / Riga, Latvia

Organiser: ESWI

Title: **The future of healthy living**

Date / location: 19 Jan 2019 / Salford, United Kingdom

Organiser: University of Salford

## 8. Interesting publications

### **Migrant integration policies and health inequalities in Europe**

<http://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com...>

### **Bridging the gaps: a global review of intersections of violence against women and violence against children**

*Alessandra Guedes, Sarah Bott, Claudia Garcia-Moreno, Manuela Colombini*

*Global Health Action, vol 9 (2016)*

*Published online: 20 June 2016*

<http://www.globalhealthaction.net/index...>

### **Accidents and undetermined deaths: re-evaluation of nationwide samples from the Scandinavian countries**

<http://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com...>

### **Global healthcare use by immigrants in Spain according to morbidity burden, area of origin, and length of stay**

<http://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com...>

### **Priority-setting for achieving universal health coverage**

*Kalipso Chalkidou, Amanda Glassman, Robert Marten, Jeanette Vega, Yot Teerawattananon, Nattha Tritasavit, Martha Gyansa-Lutterodt, Andreas Seiter, Marie Paule Kieny, Karen Hofman, Anthony J Culyer*

*Bull World Health Organ 2016;94:462–467*

*Published online: June 2016*

<http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/94/6...>

### **Social disparities in parental smoking and young children's exposure to secondhand smoke at home: a time-trend analysis of repeated cross-sectional data from the German KiGGS study between 2003-2006 a**

<http://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com...>

### **Annual report of the Institute of Tropical Medicine, Antwerp, Belgium**

<http://www.itg.be/itg/Uploads/Communicat...>

**Disordered eating behavior, health and motives to exercise in young men: cross-sectional population-based MOPO study**

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

**Prevalence of high-risk human papillomavirus and abnormal pap smears in female sex workers compared to the general population in Antwerp, Belgium**

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

**Public Health Ethics: Cases Spanning the Globe**

*Editors: Drue H. Barrett, Leonard H. Ortmann, Angus Dawson, Carla Saenz, Andreas Reis, Gail Bolan*  
Book. Public Health Ethics Analysis. Volume 3 2016

*Published online: April 2016*

<http://bit.ly/1OcbzR4>

**Six Practices to Strengthen Evaluation of Global Health Research for Development**

*ESSENCE on Health Research*

*Published online: 26 May 2016*

<http://bit.ly/1UkelAa>

**Tthe PneuVUE® report** is published on the Ipsos MORI website [www.ipsos-mori.com/pneuvue\\_pneumonia\\_report](http://www.ipsos-mori.com/pneuvue_pneumonia_report) and you are encouraged to share this with others to help raise awareness of pneumonia

## **9. European Commission news**

### **Alcohol**

[Committee on National Alcohol Policy and Action \(7-8 June 2016\)](#) Presentations of the meeting

### **Antimicrobial resistance**

[Andriukaitis: lack of awareness on antimicrobial resistance highlights the need to intensify EU action](#)

### **Endocrine Disruptors**

[Commission presents scientific criteria to identify endocrine disruptors in the pesticides and biocides areas](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions: Endocrine disruptors](#)

### **Expert Panel on effective ways of investing in health**

[Healthcare in the EU: Expert Panel on Health publishes 3 opinions and 1 memorandum](#)

[Are you qualified to provide advice on effective ways on investing in health? Apply to be a member of an independent expert panel!](#) Deadline for submitting applications: 12:00 CET on 26 July 2016

### **Health systems performance assessment**

[6th meeting of the Expert Group on Health Systems Performance Assessment \(HSPA\) \(7 April 2016\)](#)

[Minutes of the meeting](#)

[Meeting with ESIP Health Insurance Committee on Health Technology Assessment \(16 February 2016\)](#) Summary record of the meeting

[Meeting with MEDEV Committee on Health Technology Assessment \(14 March 2016\)](#) Summary record of the meeting

### **Mental health**

[First EU Mental Health Compass Forum \(Luxembourg, 6-7 October 2016\)](#) Pre-announcement

### **Nutrition and physical activity**

[Vulnerable 'Together' participants are more likely to never touch a drop when pregnant or breastfeeding](#) Zero measurement results of pilot project

[Plenary meeting of the European Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health \(2 June 2016\)](#) Presentations of the meeting

## **Outbreak of Zika Virus Disease**

[Meetings with the transport, tourism and health professionals sectors on the Zika virus disease on 20-21 June 2016 \(20-21 June 2016\)](#) Flash report

## **Preparedness and response**

[Plenary Meeting of the Health Security Committee \(7-8 June 2016\)](#) Flash report

[Ad hoc expert audio conference on vaccine shortages \(03 June 2016\)](#) Flash report

**Tobacco** [Q and A on Combined health warnings](#)

# **10. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news**

## **Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 25, 23 June 2016**

In this issue:

Importance of local Swedish Strategic Programme Against Antibiotic Resistance groups for local implementation of antimicrobial stewardship programmes

### **RAPID COMMUNICATIONS**

An outbreak of a possibly new *Salmonella enterica* subspecies *enterica* serovar with the antigenic formula 11:z41:e,n,z15, Greece, March to May 2016: preliminary results

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22511>

### **SURVEILLANCE REPORT**

Active surveillance scheme in three Romanian hospitals reveals a high prevalence and variety of carbapenamase-producing Gram-negative bacteria: a pilot study, December 2014 to May 2015

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22510>

### **RESEARCH ARTICLE**

Repeated nationwide point-prevalence surveys of antimicrobial use in Swedish hospitals: data for actions 2003–2010

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22509>

### **MEETING REPORT**

Meeting report: Pre-exposure Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prophylaxis in the EU/EEA: Challenges and Opportunities, Stockholm April 2016

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22508>

## **Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 24, 16 June 2016**

In this issue:

An immunocompromised patient in Japan infected with influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 virus bearing a dual H275Y/G147R mutation enhancing cross-resistance to oseltamivir and peramivir

### **RAPID COMMUNICATIONS**

Confirmed case of Zika virus congenital infection, Spain, March 2016

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22506>

Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 virus exhibiting enhanced cross-resistance to oseltamivir and peramivir due to a dual H275Y/G147R substitution, Japan, March 2016

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22503>

### **SURVEILLANCE REPORT**

Clinical characteristics and public health management of invasive meningococcal group W disease in the East Midlands region of England, United Kingdom, 2011 to 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22504>

### **RESEARCH ARTICLE**

Preparing to introduce the varicella vaccine into the Italian immunisation programme: varicella-related hospitalisations in Tuscany, 2004–2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22507>

## MISCELLANEOUS

Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22505>

Erratum for Euro Surveill. 2016;21(23)

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22502>

## **Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 23, 09 June 2016**

In this issue:

Several rapid communications and an editorial highlighting new aspects of sexually transmitted Zika virus infections and diagnostic challenges

## EDITORIALS

Zika virus, the new kid on the block

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22501>

## RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Longitudinal follow-up of Zika virus RNA in semen of a traveller returning from Barbados to the Netherlands with Zika virus disease, March 2016

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22497>

Sexual transmission of Zika virus in an entirely asymptomatic couple returning from a Zika epidemic area, France, April 2016

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22500>

Sexual transmission of Zika virus in Germany, April 2016

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22498>

## SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Outbreak of diarrhoeal illness in participants in an obstacle adventure race, Alpes-Maritimes, France, June 2015

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22499>

## MISCELLANEOUS

Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22495>

Erratum for Euro Surveill. 2016;21(22)

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22496>

## **Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 22, 2 June 2016**

In this issue:

Study providing a baseline overview of viral hepatitis surveillance and screening programmes in some European countries outside of the EU/EEA

## RESEARCH ARTICLES

Hepatitis B and C surveillance and screening programmes in the non-EU/EEA Member States of the WHO European Region: survey findings from 10 countries, 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22490>

Effects of previous episodes of influenza and vaccination in preventing laboratory-confirmed influenza in Navarre, Spain, 2013/14 season

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22488>

Public preferences for vaccination programmes during pandemics caused by pathogens transmitted through respiratory droplets – a discrete choice experiment in four European countries, 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22491>

Clinical and histopathological features of fatal cases with dengue and chikungunya virus co-infection in Colombia, 2014 to 2015

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22489>

## NEWS

2016 European guideline on the management of non-gonococcal urethritis published

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22494>

European Medicines Agency publishes draft advice on the use of colistin products in animals, for consultation

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22492>

#### MISCELLANEOUS

In the national epidemiological bulletins – a selection from current issues

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22493>

ECDC's latest publications

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22487>

## 11. WHO news

### New publications issued by WHO – June 2016

#### **World Health Statistics 2016**

The World Health Statistics 2016 focuses on the health and health-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and associated targets. It represents an initial effort to bring together available data on SDG health and health-related indicators, providing an assessment of the situation in 2016.

#### **CD-ROM International Pharmacopoeia. Fifth Edition 2015.**

This new CD-ROM contains the new Fifth Edition of The International Pharmacopoeia, 2015. The International Pharmacopoeia includes a collection of recommended procedures for analysis and specifications for the determination of pharmaceutical substances, excipients and dosage forms intended to serve as source material for reference or adaptation by any World Health Organization (WHO) Member State wishing to establish pharmacopoeial requirements.

#### **WHO Expert Committee on Drug Dependence**

The WHO Expert Committee on Drug Dependence (ECDD) is responsible for assessing psychoactive substances for possible control under the international drug control conventions. The ECDD reviews the therapeutic usefulness, the liability for abuse and dependence, and the public health and social harm potential of each substance under review.

#### **WHO Estimates of the Global Burden of Foodborne Diseases**

Up to now, the global burden of illness and deaths caused by foodborne disease has never been quantified. In order to fill this data vacuum, the World Health Organization (WHO), together with its partners, launched in 2006 the Initiative to Estimate the Global Burden of Foodborne Diseases. After an initial consultation, WHO in 2007 established a Foodborne Disease Burden Epidemiology Reference Group (FERG) to lead the initiative.

#### **Birth Defects Surveillance Training**

The goal of this course is to provide participants with the foundational skills needed to begin the development, implementation and ongoing improvement of a congenital anomalies surveillance programme, in particular for countries with limited resources. It focuses on the methodology needed to develop either population-based or hospital-based surveillance programmes.

#### **Public Health Panorama Vol. 2, No. 1, March 2016**

This bilingual English/Russian peer-reviewed journal produced by the WHO Regional Office for Europe gives access to scientists and public health practitioners for the publication of lessons learned from the field, as original research work, to facilitate the use of evidence and good practice for public health action.

#### **Books in French**

Surveillance des anomalies congénitales

Ce manuel est destiné à servir d'outil pour aider à l'élaboration, à la mise en oeuvre et à l'amélioration continue de programmes de surveillance des anomalies congénitales, en particulier pour les pays à ressources limitées.

Surveillance des anomalies congénitales : atlas de certaines anomalies congénitales

Cet Atlas de certaines anomalies congénitales va de pair avec le document *Surveillance des*

*anomalies congénitales : un manuel pour les administrateurs de programme.* Il est destiné à aider à l'élaboration, la mise en oeuvre et l'amélioration continue de programmes de surveillance des anomalies congénitales, en particulier dans les pays où les ressources financières et humaines sont limitées.

### **Books in Spanish**

Vigilancia de anomalías congénitas: manual para gestores de programas

Las anomalías congénitas, también conocidas como defectos de nacimiento, son anomalías estructurales o funcionales (como los trastornos metabólicos) que están presentes desde el nacimiento. Constituyen un grupo variado de afecciones de origen prenatal que pueden deberse a defectos monogénicos, alteraciones cromosómicas, herencia multifactorial, teratógenos ambientales o malnutrición por carencia de micronutrientes.

Vigilancia de anomalías congénitas: atlas de algunos defectos congénitos

Este Atlas de algunos defectos de nacimiento complementa el texto Vigilancia de anomalías congénitas. Manual para gestores de programas y se ha concebido como ayuda para la elaboración, la aplicación y la mejora permanente de programas de vigilancia de anomalías congénitas, en particular en países con recursos humanos y económicos limitados.