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# 1. EUPHA update

## **What is the future of Public Health Policy within the European Union?**

This commentary, just published in the EJPH, is written by the presidents of EUPHA, EPHA, EuroHealthNet and ASPHER.

Natasha Azzopardi-Muscat, Katarzyna Czabanowska, Nicoline Tamsma, Archie Turnbull; What is the future of Public Health Policy within the European Union?, *European Journal of Public Health*, Volume 27, Issue 5, 1 October 2017, Pages 792–793, <https://doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/ckx115>

The future of Public Health Policy within the European Union (EU) institutions is currently attracting considerable debate. Since achieving a mandate for public health under the Maastricht Treaty in 1993, the EU has been responsible for implementing important public health policies, for example in the area of tobacco control. Much more however remains to be achieved.<sup>1</sup> As the commercial and political determinants of health become increasingly shaped at supra-national levels, there is a clear and pressing need and role for an EU that is actively and visibly at the forefront promoting improvement for the health of European citizens. The EU has a vital role to play in enabling and supporting all Member States to reach the targets set by the Sustainable Development Goals—the vast majority of which will improve...

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/article-...>

## **EUPHA attends the 67th Regional Committee meeting of WHO**

Organised in Budapest from 10 to 14 September, the WHO Regional Committee meeting was attended both by Prof Martin McKee, immediate past president of EUPHA and Dineke Zeegers Paget and Maaïke Droogers from EUPHA office.

EUPHA was pleased to have a written joint statement: Towards a sustainable workforce in the European region: a framework for action. The statement was set up by Dr Ellen Kuhlmann, initiator of the proposed EUPHA section on Health workforce research and was co-signed by EHMA and ASPHER.

<https://eupha.org/advocacy-by-eupha>

## **EUPHA presenting at the EU and sustainable diets meeting in Brussels**

EUPHA is happy to be an active participant at the Meeting in Brussels on EU and sustainable diets organised by FENS on 21-22 September 2017. Dr Chris Birt, president of the EUPHA section on Food and nutrition, used this opportunity to bring EUPHA's report [Healthy and Sustainable diets in European countries](#) under the attention of the participants.

## **EUPHA represented in the jury of 3rd EU Health Award 2017 for NGO in vaccination**

EUPHA is very pleased that Dr Aura Timen, president of our EUPHA section on Infectious diseases control has been appointed as a member of the jury of this 3rd EU Health Award 2017.

## **EUPHA attends the EPHA annual conference**

Both Dineke Zeegers Paget, Executive director of EUPHA, and Maaïke Droogers, EUPHA scientific officer, attended the [2017 EPHA Annual Conference](#). "**Make Health YOUR Business**" on 7 September in Brussels. The conference focussed on how to unleash the new levers and different levels of power to take action to prevent chronic diseases and deliver on the Sustainable Development Goals. You can browse the online contributions to the event on the [conference Storify](#) and download the [press release](#)

During the full day programme, EUPHA had a small stand in the exhibition area.

## **EUPHA participates in the EU Stakeholder Pool - EUnetHTA JA3 Forum**

On 14 September, 2017, the day after its periodic Assembly, EUnetHTA JA3 has organized a Forum open to the whole EU Stakeholder Pool on HTA. EUPHA is very happy that Prof. Carlo Favaretti, president of the EUPHA section on Health technology assessment, attended this meeting.

## **EUPHA co-organised the Salzburg seminar Leadership in healthcare**

EUPHA is very proud to have been one of the organisers of the Salzburg seminar, together with the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Rome, Italy. This seminar, that took place from 10-16 September, was very successful.

The main speakers included: Prof. Walter Ricciardi, past president of EUPHA, Prof. Martin McKee, immediate past president of EUPHA and Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat, president of EUPHA.

### **E-collection on public mental health still accessible**

EUPHA is happy to remind you that the E-collection on public mental health, published in July 2017, is still available on the EJPH website.

EUPHA publishes E-collections on specific health topics by combining already published articles in the EJPH with an updated editorial. E-collections are available free of charge for a period of 3 months.

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/pages/me...>

### **Meeting on Road traffic injuries – severity and long term consequences**

Just before the start of the EPH Conference in Stockholm, the EUPHA section on Injury prevention and safety promotion is organising on Tuesday 31 October a meeting on Road traffic injuries – severity and long term consequences. The meeting will take place at Karolinska Institutet and the programme information is attached. If you wish to attend the meeting, please contact

[anne.lounamaa@thl.fi](mailto:anne.lounamaa@thl.fi), the president of EUPHA - INJ.

## **2. European Public Health Conference**



**10th European Public Health Conference: 'Sustaining resilient and healthy communities', Stockholm, 1 - 4 November 2017**

**STOCKHOLM 2017: EVERYBODY WILL BE THERE**

### **Programme update**

#### **Plenary 4 - Successful health innovation: from the 'what' to the 'how'**

*Friday 3 November, 13:40 – 14:40*

Organised by: WHO Regional Office for Europe, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies and TO-REACH consortium. *Moderator:* Rafael Bengoa, Institute for Health and Strategy, Spain. *With:* Hans Kluge, WHO Regional Office for Europe, Walter Ricciardi, National Institute of Health, Italy, Josep Figueras, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, Natasha Azzopardi Muscat, EUPHA President and Anna Korotkova, Federal Research Institute for Health, Russian Federation. Others to be announced.

### **Lunch Symposia**

*Thursday 2 November, 12:15-13:15*

[Using One Health approach to combat AMR](#)

Organised by LIF, the trade association for the research-based pharmaceutical industry in Sweden, representing about 85 members and associate companies

*Friday 3 November, 12:30-13:30*

[Social Impact Bonds: driving innovation in healthcare and social services](#)

Organised by Health Navigator, United Kingdom and Sweden

[A fresh take on policy for pharmaceutical research: ensuring access to medical innovation and tackling medical gaps](#)

Organised by the Federal Ministry of Health and Women's Affairs, Austria

### **Registration**

Over 1,500 people have already registered and there is room for more participants. For delegates registering after 16 October (midnight) please note that you will not be added to the list of participants. Onsite registration in Stockholm opens on Wednesday 1 November. Cash payment in Stockholm is not possible, only by credit card by credit card terminal.

### 3. EUPHA members update

#### **SESPAS - change of Email address**

The SESPAS secretariat has recently changed the email address to: [secretaria@sespas.es](mailto:secretaria@sespas.es)

#### **Clinic of Social and Family Medicine (CSFM) and the Health Services Research & Public Health Laboratory (HSR-PH), School of Medicine, University of Crete, Greece**

The EUR-HUMAN project, a capacity-building project we launched at the beginning of last year, coordinated by our entity with Professor Lionis as Coordinator for the Consortium, has been shortlisted for the Gastein award (see project 2): <https://www.ehfg.org/projects-events/european-health-award/>

#### **Société Française de Santé Publique - SFSP (French society of public health)**

ON 21 September, the SFSP has provided detailed input into the Comments and contribution to the WHO Global Action Plan on Physical Activity 2018-2030.

<http://www.sfsp.fr/content-page/175-les-...>

### 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 2017, the impact factor of the journal is at 2.431. The 5-year impact factor is 2.664.

The EJPH is the official journal of EUPHA.

#### **EJPH volume 27, issue 5 is now available**

##### **Editorials**

Resilience and 21st century public health

Erio Ziglio; Natasha Azzopardi-Muscat; Lino Briguglio

[\[Article\]](#)

Healthy diets and a healthy planet

Christopher A. Birt

[\[Article\]](#)

##### **Miscellaneous**

What is the future of Public Health Policy within the European Union?

Natasha Azzopardi-Muscat; Katarzyna Czabanowska; Noline Tamsma; Archie Turnbull

[\[Article\]](#)

##### **Health Services Research**

Assessment of informal caregiver's needs by self-administered instruments: a literature review

Anne Lefranc; David Pérol; Morgane Plantier; Pierre Chatelain; Henri de Rohan-Chabot ...

[\[Article\]](#)

Do hospital characteristics influence Cesarean delivery? Analysis of National Health Insurance claim data

Kyu-Tae Han; Seung Ju Kim; Yeong Jun Ju; Jong Won Choi; Eun-Cheol Park

[\[Article\]](#)

Do perceived barriers to clinical presentation affect anticipated time to presenting with cancer symptoms: an ICBP study

Conan Donnelly; Samantha Quaife; Lindsay Forbes; Jackie Boylan; Carol Tishelman ...

[\[Article\]](#)

### **Editor's Choice**

Admissions to inpatient care facilities in the last year of life of community-dwelling older people in Europe

Anouk Overbeek; Lieve Van den Block; Ida J. Korfage; Yolanda W.H. Penders; Agnes van der Heide

...

[\[Article\]](#)

Effects of home-visit nursing services on hospitalization in the elderly with pressure ulcers: a longitudinal study

Hyo Jung Lee; Yeong Jun Ju; Eun-Cheol Park; Juyeong Kim; Sang Gyu Lee

[\[Article\]](#)

Lower fragmentation of coordination in primary care is associated with lower prescribing drug costs—lessons from chronic illness care in Hungary

Ágnes Lublóy; Judit Lilla Keresztúri; Gábor Benedek

[\[Article\]](#)

### **Child and Adolescent Health**

Parental break-ups and stress: roles of age and family structure in 44 509 pre-adolescent children

Agnete S. Dissing; Nadya Dich; Anne-Marie Nybo Andersen; Rikke Lund; Naja H Rod

[\[Article\]](#)

Trends in the sexual behaviour of 15-year olds in Scotland: 2002–14

Fergus G. Neville; Juliet McEachran; Aixa Aleman-Diaz; Ross Whitehead; Alina Cosma ...

[\[Article\]](#)

Emotional and behavioural problems in young children with divorced parents

Meinou H.C. Theunissen; Mariska Klein Velderman; Anne P.G. Cloostermans; Sijmen A. Reijneveld

[\[Article\]](#)

Increased risk of premature death following teenage abortion and childbirth—a longitudinal cohort study

Eerika Jalanko; Suvi Leppälahti; Oskari Heikinheimo; Mika Gissler

[\[Article\]](#)

Maternal smoking during pregnancy and scholastic achievement in childhood: evidence from the LIFECOURSE cohort study

Alfgeir L. Kristjánsson; Ingibjorg E. Thorisdottir; Thora Steingrimsdottir; John P. Allegrante; Christa L. Lilly ...

[\[Article\]](#)

The increase in symptoms of anxiety and depressed mood among Icelandic adolescents: time trend between 2006 and 2016

Ingibjorg E. Thorisdottir; Bryndis B. Asgeirsdottir; Rannveig Sigurvinsdottir; John P. Allegrante; Inga D. Sigfusdottir

[\[Article\]](#)

### **Migration and Health**

Avoidable hospitalization among migrants and ethnic minority groups: a systematic review

Teresa Dalla Zuanna; Teresa Spadea; Marzio Milana; Alessio Petrelli; Laura Cacciani ...

[\[Article\]](#)

Restricted health care entitlements for child migrants in Europe and Australia

Liv Stubbe Østergaard; Marie Norredam; Claire Mock-Munoz de Luna; Mitch Blair; Sharon Goldfeld ...

[\[Article\]](#)

### **Survey Methodology**

How strongly related are health status and subjective well-being? Systematic review and meta-analysis

Kayonda Hubert Ngamaba; Maria Panagioti; Christopher J. Armitage

[\[Article\]](#)

Standardization of physical measurements in European health examination surveys—experiences from the site visits  
Hanna Tolonen; Johanna Mäki-Opas; Jennifer S. Mindell; Antonia Trichopoulou; Androniki Naska ...  
[\[Article\]](#)

Additional weighting for education affects estimates from a National Health Interview Survey  
Johan Van der Heyden; Dirk De Bacquer; Lydia Gisle; Stefaan Demarest; Rana Charafeddine ...  
[\[Article\]](#)

Accuracy of on-line self-reported weights and heights by young adults  
Charoula Konstantia Nikolaou; Catherine Ruth Hankey; Michael Ernest John Lean  
[\[Article\]](#)

Is a Health Interview Survey an appropriate tool to assess domestic violence?  
Sabine Drieskens; Stefaan Demarest; Nicola D'Hoker; Barbara Ortiz; Jean Tafforeau  
[\[Article\]](#)

Reasons for non-participation and ways to enhance participation in health examination surveys—the Health 2011 Survey  
Hanna Tolonen; Annamari Lundqvist; Tuija Jääskeläinen; Seppo Koskinen; Päivikki Koponen  
[\[Article\]](#)

### **Health Promotion**

A systematic review and meta-analysis of the effectiveness of nudging to increase fruit and vegetable choice  
Valérie J. V. Broers; Céline De Breucker; Stephan Van den Broucke; Olivier Luminet  
[\[Article\]](#)

Doctor's enquiry: an opportunity for promoting smoking cessation—findings from Global Adult Tobacco Surveys in Europe  
Banu Çakir; Ayşe Taş; Tuğçe Mehlika Şanver; Dilek Aslan  
[\[Article\]](#)

Can a workplace 'sit less, move more' programme help Spanish office employees achieve physical activity targets?  
Anna Puig-Ribera; Judit Bort-Roig; Maria Giné-Garriga; Angel M. González-Suárez; Iván Martínez-Lemos ...  
[\[Article\]](#)

The growth of 'Dry January': promoting participation and the benefits of participation  
Richard O. de Visser; Emily Robinson; Tom Smith; Gemma Cass; Matthew Walmsley  
[\[Article\]](#)

### **Miscellaneous**

Current state of genomic policies in healthcare among EU member states: results of a survey of chief medical officers  
W. Mazzucco; R. Pastorino; T. Lagerberg; M. Colotto; E. d'Andrea ...  
[\[Article\]](#)

Reasons to wait or to treat naive patients affected by chronic hepatitis C with low fibrosis stage and genotypes 2 or 3  
Lucio Boglione; Jessica Cusato; Giuseppe Cariti; Giovanni Di Perri; Antonio D'Avolio  
[\[Article\]](#)

### **European Public Health News**

[\[Article\]](#)

## 5. Call for proposals, job opportunities

### **Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control**

The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) invites applications for the following position: Head of Section Communication and Public Relations. The application deadline expires on 23 October. For more information, please see the [vacancy notice](#).

### **University of Porto: Open Position | Assistant Researcher: Social Sciences or Health Sciences Assistant Researcher: Social Sciences or Health Sciences (Institute of Public Health, University of Porto)**

**Admission requirements:** The successful candidate should have a Degree in Sociology, Anthropology or related field and a PhD in Social Sciences or Health Sciences. Expertise in qualitative data research is required. The initiative and critical thinking will also be taken into account in evaluating candidates. Excellent reading, writing and comprehension skills in English and Portuguese are mandatory. Communication skills in other languages (German/ French/ Dutch/ Finnish/Swedish) would be a strong asset.

**Activity Outline:** The researcher will be responsible for carrying out a qualitative study with cohort's participants, researchers and health care professionals on the relevance, expectations and difficulties faced on cohorts follow-up. Tasks include the design of the study protocol, conducting interviews with participants and key actors involved in the management of the cohorts, analysis of qualitative data and production of scientific papers.

**Work place:** Instituto de Saúde Pública da Universidade do Porto (ISPUP) – Institute of Public Health of the University of Porto, Portugal.

**Duration:** The initial duration of the position is 12 months, with a predicted starting date of October 2017, and a possible extension up to the end of the project. The financial aspects are outlined in the budget allowance of the project, which assigns a salary of 2127.88 per month.

**Call start and finish dates:** 8th to 30th September 2017.

**Documents Required:** Applications must be formalized, necessarily, by an application letter attaching the following documents: Curriculum Vitae, academic certificate, motivation letter. Applications must be sent by email to "secretaria@ispup.up.pt" or personal delivery at Instituto de Saúde Pública da Universidade do Porto, Rua das Taipas 135, 4050-600 Porto, within the timeframe of the call and the subject "Investigador auxiliar – RECAP".

For further information, please visit this [link](#).

### **Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR) is looking for a research scientist Research Scientist / Post-doc Positions**

The Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR) is recruiting 1-2 full-time post-doctoral research scientists to work in one of the following research groups: Population Health, Labor Demography, or Fertility and Well-Being. Please see [www.demogr.mpg.de](http://www.demogr.mpg.de) for descriptions of these research groups. The positions are initially for 3 years, with the possibility of an extension. Starting date is flexible, with latest start fall 2018.

The MPIDR is a leading institute in demographic research hosting a diverse range of research groups with interdisciplinary topics. The working language of the MPIDR is English. We offer a competitive salary (starting at approx. 50,000€ for new post-docs), an excellent research environment, and institutional support for conference attendance and continuous education.

Applicants should submit:

- Letter of interest
- CV with publication list
- 1 writing sample
- Contact information for 3 references

Please see <http://www.demogr.mpg.de/go/apply-demography> to upload your English-language application. Inquiries about the positions should be sent to [apply-demography@demogr.mpg.de](mailto:apply-demography@demogr.mpg.de). Review of applications will begin on the 1st of October, 2017, and applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

The Max Planck Society wishes to increase the share of women in areas where they are underrepresented and strongly encourages women to apply. The Max Planck Society is committed to employing more individuals with disabilities and especially encourages them to apply.

## 6. Interesting news

### **New boarding procedures, smaller cabin size may limit infection on planes**

During major epidemics, cramped airplane cabins are fertile ground for the spread of infection, but new research suggests changing routine boarding protocols could be a key to reducing rampant transmission of disease.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

### **If you build it, the Dutch will pedal**

The country's preference for the bicycle could save its economy \$23 billion each year, according to a recent study done at Utrecht University and published in the *American Journal of Public Health*. The study suggested that the Netherlands' vigorous cycling habits prevented 6,500 premature deaths each year.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/09/06/world...>

### **'Healthy' obese still face higher heart risks**

Obese people face an increased risk of heart disease, even if they are free of conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure, a large new study suggests. Researchers said the findings, based on 3.5 million British adults, cast doubt on the notion of "healthy obesity." In recent years, some research has suggested that obesity may not be a heart risk — as long as a person is "metabolically healthy." That typically means being free from high blood pressure, high cholesterol and type 2 diabetes. The new findings paint a different picture.

<https://consumer.healthday.com/circulato...>

### **A new study claims prostate cancer screenings significantly reduce deaths. Not everyone agrees**

An analysis of two influential studies of prostate cancer screening concludes that the much-debated test "significantly" reduces deaths from the disease, suggesting that current recommendations against routine PSA screening might be steering men away from a lifesaving procedure. The analysis, published Monday in *Annals of Internal Medicine*, drew wildly different reactions, as is often the case with research on PSA screenings.

<https://www.statnews.com/2017/09/04/pros...>

### **Vaccines save 20 million lives, \$350 billion in poor countries since 2001**

Vaccination efforts made in the world's poorest countries since 2001 will have prevented 20 million deaths and saved \$350 billion in health-care costs by 2020, according to a new study from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In addition, the researchers put the broader economic and social value of saving these lives and preventing disabilities at \$820 billion.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

### **E-cigarettes containing nicotine linked to raised heart attack risk**

E-cigarettes containing nicotine could increase the risk of heart attacks and strokes, researchers have found. A study discovered that vaping devices containing the stimulant could cause a stiffening of the arteries, as well as an increased heart rate and blood pressure.

<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2017...>

### **Get up at least once every 30 minutes. Failure to do so may shorten your life, study finds**

You can spend a lot of accumulated time on your bottom in the course of a day. Or you can sit for lengthy spells without a break. Both, it turns out, are very bad for you. Whether you're a heavy sitter or a binge-sitter, racking up prolonged sedentary time increases your risk of early death, according to a study published in Tuesday's edition of the *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

<http://www.latimes.com/science/scienceno...>

## **Health at a planetary scale. Why we should think bigger about public health -- way bigger.**

While human health is now, by most metrics, better than it's ever been, ongoing planetary changes threaten to reverse that progress. These threats require a new approach to health research and health policy—a new paradigm that has come to be called “planetary health.”

<http://www.politico.com/agenda/story/201...>

## **Pay more, smoke less: Possible effects of raising tobacco taxes across the EU**

Raising tobacco taxes to increase cigarette prices could reduce cigarette consumption and smoking-associated deaths (SADs) in all 28 EU countries, according to a new study. In higher income countries, raising tobacco taxes could increase revenues that could be spend on prevention and control programs, while in lower income countries tax revenues may be negatively affected, researchers suggest.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

## **5,000 deaths annually from Diesel-gate in Europe**

Excess emissions from diesel cars cause about 5,000 premature deaths annually across Europe, a new study shows. Higher exposure to secondary particles and ozone can be traced back to excess NOx emissions from diesel cars, vans and light commercial vehicles. With the EU's vehicle emission limits achieved on the road about 5,000 premature deaths could be avoided annually. If diesel cars emitted as little NOx as petrol cars, about 7,500 premature deaths could be avoided annually.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

## **Strong alcohol policies help reduce alcohol-involved homicides**

Stronger alcohol policies, including taxes and sales restrictions, have been shown to reduce the likelihood of alcohol involvement among homicide victims, according to a new study.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

## **WFPHA is concerned regarding proposed next steps in the TPP11**

On August 25th, sixty-seven health organizations, including The World Federation of Public Health Associations, published an [open letter](#) to make their views known to their governments calling to promote health, protect people and guarantee access to affordable medicines in all TPP11 countries.

## **EuroHealthNet news release: Improving health and supporting sustainable development by connecting with non-health actors**

EuroHealthNet, the European Partnership for health, equity, and wellbeing is contributing to the 67th session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe taking place this week in Budapest, Hungary. Here, EuroHealthNet welcomes the WHO Roadmap to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and urges the WHO and health ministries towards stronger collaboration with non-health actors on the underlying causes of ill-health. This action must address all determinants of health—including commercial, and involve collaboration across interests and fostering synergies.

A [written statement](#) and two oral statements have been provided for the meeting.

## **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: [European Health Forum Gastein - Health in All Politics—a better future for Europe](#)

Date / location: 4 Oct 2017 - 6 Oct 2017 / Bad Hofgastein, Austria

Title: [The 11th International Conference on engineering and design of public spaces](#)

Date / location: 6 Oct 2017 / Kazan, Russia

Organiser: KAZAN EXPO LLC

Title: **The 2nd International Congress on Controversies in Primary and Outpatient Care (COPOC)**

Date / location: 6 Oct 2017 - 8 Oct 2017 / Zagreb, Croatia

Organiser: ComtecMed

Title: **1st International conference on public health - from European to national health policy**

Date / location: 9 Oct 2017 - 10 Oct 2017 / Sofia, Bulgaria

Organiser: Medical University Sofia

Title: **Promotion of healthy diets in the EU: What role for breakfast?**

Date / location: 10 Oct 2017 / Brussels, Belgium

Organiser: EURACTIV

Title: **International Course: Introduction to Epidemiology**

Date / location: 16 Oct 2017 - 20 Oct 2017 / Rome, Italy

Organiser: SItI and Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Title: **1ST International Sofia Staff Week and 30th Anniversary of Erasmus: New horizon in Public Health and Health Care services**

Date / location: 16 Oct 2017 - 20 Oct 2017 / Sofia, Bulgaria

Organiser: the Medical University of Sofia

Title: **3rd V4 Conference on Public Health**

Date / location: 19 Oct 2017 - 20 Oct 2017 / Prague, Czech Republic

Organiser: The Czech Society of Social Medicine and Health Care Management

Title: **Clinical Research**

Date / location: 20 Oct 2017 - 6 Jul 2020 / Linz and Wels, Austria

Organiser: Johannes Kepler University Linz (JKU)

Title: **Advanced Clinical Research**

Date / location: 20 Oct 2017 - 12 Oct 2019 / Linz and Wels, Austria

Organiser: Johannes Kepler University Linz (JKU)

Title: **2nd International conference: Food for Healthy Ageing - Benefits beyond basic nutrition**

Date / location: 23 Oct 2017 - 25 Oct 2017 / Amsterdam, Netherlands

Organiser: Food for Healthy Ageing

Title: **6th International Conference on Epidemiology and Public Health**

Date / location: 23 Oct 2017 - 25 Oct 2017 / Paris, France

Organiser: OCM for Epidemiology Series Conferences

Title: **8th International conference for EBHC Teachers and Developers**

Date / location: 25 Oct 2017 - 28 Oct 2017 / Taormina, Italy

Organiser: GIMBE Foundation

Title: **European Scientific Conference on Applied Infectious Disease Epidemiology (ESCAIDE)**

Date / location: 6 Nov 2017 - 8 Nov 2017 / Stockholm, Sweden

Organiser: European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)

Title: **3rd World Congress on Nursing and Healthcare” (Nursing and Healthcare)**  
Date / location: 9 Nov 2017 - 11 Nov 2017 / Valencia, Spain  
Organiser: Scientific Federation, publisher of The Nursing and Healthcare journal

Title: **Acute respiratory pandemics: how to plan for and manage**  
Date / location: 9 Nov 2017 - 11 Nov 2017 / Amsterdam, Netherlands

Title: **3rd World Congress on Public Health, Nutrition and Epidemiology: Strengthening Health Systems and Promoting Awareness**  
Date / location: 13 Nov 2017 - 14 Nov 2017 / Osaka, Japan  
Organiser: ConferenceSeries

Title: **Healthy aging at the crossroads: challenges and need for further action**  
Date / location: 29 Nov 2017 - 1 Dec 2017 / Istanbul, Turkey  
Organiser: Healthy Community Association

Title: **The Future of Ageing 2017: Transforming Tomorrow Today**  
Date / location: 29 Nov 2017 / London, United Kingdom  
Organiser: International Longevity Centre

Title: **Shape the future of Diabetes: IDF congress 2017**  
Date / location: 4 Dec 2017 - 8 Dec 2017 / Abu Dhabi  
Organiser: International Diabetes Federation

Title: **Health Economics for Public Health Practice and Research**  
Date / location: 19 Mar 2018 - 21 Mar 2018 / Bangor, United Kingdom  
Organiser: Bangor University

Title: **1st World Congress on Migration, Ethnicity, Race and Health - Diversity and health**  
Date / location: 17 May 2018 - 19 May 2018 / Edinburgh, Scotland

Title: **26th International Conference on Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services**  
Date / location: 6 Jun 2018 - 8 Jun 2018 / Bologna, Italy  
Organiser: Italian regional HPH network Emilia-Romagna together with WHO Collaborating Centre for Health Promotion in Hospitals and Health Care at Gesundheit Österreich GmbH (Austrian Public Health Institute)

Title: **The future of healthy living**  
Date / location: 19 Jan 2019 / Salford, United Kingdom  
Organiser: University of Salford

## 8. Interesting publications

### **Tobacco giant wants to eliminate smoking . . .and pigs might fly**

Editorial in the BMJ on 26 September 2017

*BMJ 2017; 358 doi: <https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj.j4443> (Published 26 September 2017) Cite this as: BMJ 2017;358:j4443*

**The indirect and direct pathways between physical fitness and academic achievement on commencement in post-compulsory education in a historical cohort of Danish school youth**  
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Process evaluation results of a cluster randomised controlled childhood obesity prevention trial: the WAVES study**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Methodological barriers to studying the association between the economic crisis and suicide in Spain**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Big hearts, small hands: a focus group study exploring parental food portion behaviours**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Strengthening Health system governance**

The Observatory is pleased to announce that the book [Strengthening Health System Governance](#) (edited by Scott L. Greer, Matthias Wismar and Josep Figueras) has been awarded a High commendation in the Health and Social Care Category of the prestigious [BMA Medical Book Awards](#).

**Development of a framework for the co-production and prototyping of public health interventions**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Making Fair Choices on the Path to Universal Health Coverage: Applying Principles to Difficult Cases**

Alex Voorhoeve, Tessa Tan-Torres Edejer, Lydia Kapiriri, Ole Frithjof Norheim, James Snowden, Olivier Basenya, Dorjsuren Bayarsaikhan, Ikram Chentaf, Nir Eyal, Amanda Folsom, Rozita Halina Tun Hussein, Cristian Morales, Florian Ostmann, Trygve Ottersen, Phusit Prakongsai, Carla Saenz, Karima Saleh, Angkana Sommanustweechai, Daniel Wikler and Afisah Zakariah  
Health Systems and Reform, 3(4): 1-12, 2017 Published online: 01 Jun 2017  
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**Childhood obesity and adult cardiovascular disease risk factors: a systematic review with meta-analysis**

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**Minding the gaps: health financing, universal health coverage and gender**

Sophie Witter, Veloshnee Govender, TK Sundari Ravindran and Robert Yates Source: *Health Policy and Planning*, czx063 Published online: 25 July 2017  
Details of the paper and how to access: [click here](#).

**The role of self-control and cognitive functioning in educational inequalities in adolescent smoking and binge drinking**

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**The associations between workplace bullying, salivary cortisol, and long-term sickness absence: a longitudinal study**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Heterogeneity in coverage for measles and varicella vaccination in toddlers - analysis of factors influencing parental acceptance**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

### **Men over 40 are most at risk of sudden death during triathlons**

Research news in the BMJ of 19 September.

BMJ 2017; 358 doi: <https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj.j4326> (Published 19 September 2017) Cite this as: BMJ 2017;358:j4326

**The effects of a rise in cigarette price on cigarette consumption, tobacco taxation revenues, and of smoking-related deaths in 28 EU countries-- applying threshold regression modelling**  
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

### **Belgian High Health council publishes report on burn-out and work**

Short description: In this scientific advisory report on public health policy, the Superior Health Council of Belgium provides the Belgian authorities with specific recommendations on the prevention and treatment of burn-out and the profile of competences for professionals.

Available in French and Dutch

<https://www.health.belgium.be/fr/avis-93...>

### **DC-Obesity: A new model for estimating differential lifetime costs of overweight and obesity by socioeconomic status**

Dr Diana Sonntag, steering committee member of our EUPHA section on Public health economics, has just published her research: *DC-Obesity: A new model for estimating differential lifetime costs of overweight and obesity by socioeconomic status*, has been selected as an Editors' Choice article for the September issue of *Obesity*.

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### **Immunization strategies and coverage in non-EU Countries of the Mediterranean Basin and Black Sea**

Cristina Giambi, Martina Del Manso, Maria Grazia Dente, Christian Napoli, Carmen Montañó-Remacha, Flavia Riccardo, Stefania Giannitelli, Alessia Ranghiasi, Gloria Nacca, Monica Bolli, Pasqualino Rossi, Maria Grazia Pompa, Silvia Declich and the Network for the control of cross-border health threats in the Mediterranean Basin and Black Sea. 2017, vi, 86 p.

<http://www.iss.it/publ/index.php>

### **Seasonal influenza vaccines in Italy: assessing effectiveness and safety. Season 2015-2016**

Stefania Spila Alegiani, Valeria Alfonsi, Antonino Bella, Stefania Giannitelli, Paola Ruggeri, Alessia Ranghiasi, Eva Charlotte Appelgren, Enrica Tavella, Caterina Rizzo and the Working group I-MOVE and SVEVA

2017, iii, 80 p. (in Italian)

<http://www.iss.it/publ/>

## **9. European Commission news**

### **INTEGRATE Joint Action - Strategies to prevent and treat HIV, Hepatitis, TB and STIs in Europe**

The opening conference of the INTEGRATE Joint Action "From HIV testing and linkage to care to integration of HIV, Hepatitis, TB and STIs" took place September 19th, 2017 in Brussels. See the press release [here](#).

### **EU table top exercise on outbreak coordination and response involving public health and veterinary authorities**

On 10-12 October 2017 the European Commission organizes an EU table top exercise that will focus on the challenges raised by cross-border threats to health from zoonotic infections. The event will take place in Luxembourg. For more information please contact: SANTE-CONSULT-C3@ec.europa.eu.

### **Hearing to discuss "Benchmarking Access to Healthcare in the EU"**

Registration is now open for the second hearing on effective ways of investing in health, organised by the European Commission's Expert Panel on Health. The event will take place in Brussels on the afternoon of 11 October 2017. Interested stakeholders are invited to register by 30 September 2017. More information is available [here](#).

### **18th European Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation**

"Bringing back hope to patients on waiting lists all over Europe." On September 8th the European Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation was celebrated. [EU policy action on organ donation and transplantation](#).

### **Tackling non-communicable diseases: CHRODIS Plus Joint Action Kicks-off in Vilnius**

"CHRODIS Plus" (2017-2020), a Joint Action which aims to support EU countries in implementing initiatives identified in the first CHRODIS Joint Action (2013-2017) to reduce the burden of non-communicable diseases, kicked off in Lithuania September 18th, 2017. See press release [here](#).

### **Patient safety: Commission adopts acts on Good Manufacturing Practices for medicines**

The European Commission adopted two legal acts aimed at improving patient safety in the EU through good manufacturing practices (GMP) that ensure the highest quality of medicines for human use. Press release is available [here](#).

### **Joint Action on Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcare-Associated Infections**

A Joint Action on Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcare-Associated Infections (EU-JAMRAI) will be launched on 13 September 2017 at the French Ministry of Health in Paris. The related site is available [here](#).

### **Migration and health: REHEALTH 2 project to test extended use of Personal Health Records**

This summer, the European Commission and the International Organization for Migration's (IOM) Regional Office in Brussels signed a Direct Agreement for the implementation of the project REHEALTH 2 which aims to test the further use of the Personal Health Record - a tool designed to integrate migrants and refugees in EU health systems. [More information](#).

### **200th edition of the Health-EU newsletter**

EUPHA congratulates DG Sante with the 200th edition of the Health-EU newsletter. The newsletter was started in 2007 and is a successful tool to update Europe on news, forthcoming events, press releases and such.

[yourfriend@whereever.com?subject=Health-EU%20Newsletter&body=See%20the%20latest%20edition%20of%20the%20newsletter%20http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/newsletter-specific-archive.cfm?serviceld=261](mailto:yourfriend@whereever.com?subject=Health-EU%20Newsletter&body=See%20the%20latest%20edition%20of%20the%20newsletter%20http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/newsletter-specific-archive.cfm?serviceld=261) This newsletter is available in [23 official languages of the EU](#)

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

### **Eurosurveillance - Volume 22, Issue 36, 07 September 2017**

#### **RAPID COMMUNICATION**

[Preliminary findings indicate nosocomial transmission and Roma population as most affected group in ongoing measles B3 genotype outbreak in Bulgaria, March to August 2017](#)

#### **SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORT**

[Recurrent seasonal outbreak of an emerging serotype of Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli \(STEC O55:H7 Stx2a\) in the south west of England, July 2014 to September 2015](#)  
[Euro roundup Status, quality and specific needs of Zika virus \(ZIKV\) diagnostic capacity and capability in National Reference Laboratories for arboviruses in 30 EU/EEA countries, May 2016](#)

### **Eurosurveillance - Volume 22, Issue 37, 14 September 2017**

#### **RAPID COMMUNICATION**

[Ongoing outbreak with well over 4,000 measles cases in Italy from January to end August 2017 – what is making elimination so difficult?](#)

#### **RESEARCH ARTICLE**

[First outbreak of Zika virus in the continental United States: a modelling analysis](#)

## PERSPECTIVE

[The European Medical Corps: first Public Health Team mission and future perspectives](#)

## Eurosurveillance - Volume 22, Issue 38, 21 September 2017

### RAPID COMMUNICATION

[Increase in Legionnaires' disease cases associated with travel to Dubai among travellers from the United Kingdom, Sweden and the Netherlands, October 2016 to end August 2017](#)

### RESEARCH ARTICLE

[Burden of salmonellosis, campylobacteriosis and listeriosis: a time series analysis, Belgium, 2012 to 2020](#)

## 11. WHO news

WHO Health Evidence Network report 51 'Investment for health and well-being' is now available  
The final WHO Health Evidence Network report 51 '[Investment for health and well-being: a review of the social return on investment from public health policies to support implementing the Sustainable Development Goals by building on Health 2020](#)' and its supporting leaflet.

[Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal, Vol. 23 No. 4 2017](#)

EMRO, 2017, Order Number: 04502304

The EMHJ was launched in 1995 as a peer-reviewed medical journal. Starting January 2010, the Journal has been given a new format and is now published monthly. .../...

[Bulletin of WHO Vol. 95, No. 08, 2017](#)

The Bulletin of the World Health Organization is an international journal of public health with a special focus on developing countries. Since it was first published in 1948, the Bulletin has become one of the world's leading public health journals. .../...

[Guidelines for treatment of drug-susceptible tuberculosis and patient care, 2017 update](#)

WHO, 2017, Order Number: 19300365, ISBN-13 9789241550000

The update of the Guidelines for treatment of drug-susceptible tuberculosis and patient care is important in the context of the End TB Strategy, which recommends treatment and patient support for all people with TB. .../...

[Artificial tanning devices: public health interventions to manage sunbeds](#)

2017, Order Number:19300378, ISBN-13 9789241512596

Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer among light-skinned populations. The chief environmental cause of skin cancer is ultraviolet radiation (UVR). .../...

[Nurse educator core competencies](#)

2017, Order Number: 19300349, ISBN-13 9789241549622

The World Health Organization has developed these Nurse Educator Core Competencies to enable educators to effectively contribute to the attainment of high quality education, and the production of effective, efficient and skilled nurses who are able to respond to the health needs of the populations they serve. .../...

[The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia](#)

Neda Milevska Kostova, Snezhana Chichevalieva, Ninex A Ponce, Ewout van Ginneken, Juliane Winkelmann

Since its independence in 1991 population health in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia has improved significantly, with life expectancy and mortality rates for both adults and children reaching similar levels as in ex-socialist EU Member States. However, death rates caused by unhealthy behaviour remain high. .../...

[Bulletin of WHO Vol. 95, No. 07, 2017](#)

WHO, 2017, Order Number 00209507

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