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1. European Public Health Conference



Malta 2012

The 5th ANNUAL EUROPEAN PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE 2012, co-organised with the Maltese Association of Public Health Medicine and ASPHER, will be organised from 8 to 10 November 2012. The main theme of the conference is All Inclusive Public Health. The preliminary programme will be available online shortly!

There is still time to become an active partner to the biggest public health even in Europe. Check out the possibilities at http://www.eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php?conference_page=53

Malta 2012 website: http://eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php

Malta 2012 facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/5th-European-Public-Health-Conference-Malta-2012/213687192050284>

2. EUPHA update

EUPHA's 1992-2012 prize contest!

To celebrate the 20 years of EUPHA, we launched a prize contest in January. Check out the June question at: http://www.eupha.org/site/projects.php?project_page=19922012.

For each answer, you will receive a letter, which – if you have answered everything perfectly – will form a word. Send this word between 1 and 5 November to: office@eupha.org

From the correct entries, we will draw 4 winners. The prize to win is the Malta 2012 Conference dinner (free of charge) at the EUPHA president's table.

EUPHApedia – Building knowledge and capacity together



There are now 2700 documents available in the database (increase of 26 from May). In June, 60 documents were downloaded.

The most recent interesting articles can be found on our opening page: www.eupha.org

Please feel free to send your feedback to: office@eupha.org

3. Call for proposals, job opportunities

Call for nominations for the Andrija Stampar Medal

Each year, during the Annual European Public Health Conference, the prestigious Andrija Stampar Medal is awarded to a highly distinguished figure who has demonstrated excellence in the field of Public Health. Please send in your nominations before July 16 to office@aspher.org. The award will be presented at the Annual Conference in Malta during a special ceremony.

Associate professor in political science and policy analysis

Institute of Public Health, Syddansk University, Esbjerg, Denmark

http://www.jobs.sdu.dk/vis_stilling.php?id=7394&lang=eng

The Unit of Health Promotion Research, Institute of Public Health, Campus Esbjerg, invites applications for a tenured position as associate professor within the area of political science and policy analysis to be filled as soon as possible.

Full job description: See www.jobs.sdu.dk (position no. 121048)

Further information: the Head of the Unit of Health Promotion Research, professor Arja R.Aro, telephone +45 6550 4157, mobile +45 6011 1874, e-mail araro@health.sdu.dk or the Head of the Institute of Public Health, professor Jesper Bo Nielsen, tel +45 6550 4034, email jbn Nielsen@health.sdu.dk

Closing date: July 9, 2012 at 12:00 hrs. CEST. Mark the application: 121048

Assistant professor in health anthropology with competences in health promotion

Syddansk University, Esbjerg, Denmark

http://www.jobs.sdu.dk/vis_stilling.php?id=7395&lang=eng

The Unit of Health Promotion Research, Institute of Public Health, Campus Esbjerg, invites applications for a position as assistant professor within the area of health anthropology with competences in health promotion to be filled as soon as possible and for a period of 3 years.

Full job description: See www.jobs.sdu.dk (121049)

Further information: the Head of the Unit, professor Arja Aro, telephone +45 6550 4157, mobile +45 6011 1874, e-mail araro@health.sdu.dk or Head, Institute of Public Health, professor Jesper Bo Nielsen, telephone +45 6550 4034, email jbn Nielsen@health.sdu.dk.

Closing date: July 9, 2012, at 12:00 hrs. CEST.

Public Health/ Health Technology Expert focusing on Health

The Department of Public Health and Health Technology Assessment (HTA),

UMIT – University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology, in Hall i.T. / Innsbruck, Austria (www.umat.at)

Field of application includes economic evaluation, econometrics, pharmacoeconomic modeling, rationing and prioritizing, considering ethical, legal, economic and social aspects. UMIT is an internationally recognized private university dedicated to health & life sciences and also a partner of the ONCOTYROL Center for Personalized Cancer Medicine (www.oncotyrol.com).

The Department of Public Health focuses on international research, excellence in teaching and policy implementation.

Responsibilities:

- leading the program for health policy, administration, economics and law;
- performing scientific analysis and publication outcome;
- working on, contributing to and applying for international research projects;
- involvement and contribution to existing (interdisciplinary) research projects
- scientific administration and development of existing education and training;
- cooperation with the international research centre ONCOTYROL Center for Personalized Cancer Medicine
- supervising dissertations in the area of Public Health, Health Economics and HTA
- contribution to the development of new master programs, certified courses, etc.

Qualifications: Successful candidates will hold

- a Habilitation or a Habilitation-equivalent or a PhD preferably in economics or in an equivalent field
- will have experience in leading international research projects and in publishing in international, peer-reviewed journals; additional qualification or experience in quantitative methods in public health/biomedicine preferred
- commitment to interdisciplinary team-oriented research
- experience in project management
- excellent communication skills in English
- experience in statistical, econometrical and modeling analysis

Employment will initially be for two years, with a possibility for extension. The salary follows the Austrian wage agreement for university employees and can be overpaid due to special qualification and target agreement. The Department is committed to advancing employees who demonstrate excellent performance. UMIT is dedicated to promoting the role of women in science, and therefore expressly invites women to apply. Handicapped candidates with equal qualifications and personal aptitude will also be prioritized.

Further information can be obtained from the website at www.umat.at.

Join ASPHER's Performance Of Public Health Professionals Questionnaire

With the following link: <http://www.aspher.org/forms/quest11/main/question1>

IDRC call for concept notes project SEARCH -Strengthening Equity -Capacity building in eHealth

IDRC - International Development Research Centre - 2012

Website: <http://bit.ly/MoxG0I>

The focus of the call is on how and when technology can contribute toward strengthened and more equitable health systems in low-and middle-income countries (LMICs).

The Deadline for submissions is 12:00pm EST July 20, 2012

The overarching objective of the Strengthening equity through applied research capacity building in eHealth (SEARCH) project is to support LMIC-based researchers in carrying out rigorous and useful research on how and when eHealth can influence the functioning of health systems to improve health outcomes, and ultimately, contribute to reducing health inequities.

Key research areas:

- Theory, methodology, or framework development
- Participation, accountability, and transparency
- Enterprise architecture and interoperability
- Modelling and operations research to generate evidence for decision-making
- Subnational, national, and global policy processes

Key eligibility criteria:

The principal applicant must be a citizen or permanent resident of a LMIC with a primary work affiliation at a LMIC-based institution.

Value and duration:

A total amount of approximately CAD 2.5 million will be invested in successful grant proposals over a period of three years. Each grant will range from CAD 100,000 to CAD 400,000 for a time period between 24-36 months.

4. Interesting News

COHRED Annual Report

The 2011 Annual Report for the Council on Health Research for Development (COHRED) has been published and can be accessed by going to our website www.cohred.org.

The report covers the organisation's achievements and progress during 2011, including the merger with the Global Forum for Health Research; the major initiatives that COHRED undertook in 2011: the progress in terms of supporting country efforts towards research and innovation systems and a section on partners and partnerships. Further contents in the report include – a Foreword from the Director of COHRED and financial statements.

The complete *Annual Report is available online at:

<http://www.cohred.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/05/COHRED-Annual-Report-2011-Final-Web-Version-07062012.pdf>

MEPs lead urgent plea from health community to prevent health crisis in Europe

Brussels, June 22 - Ahead of the European Summit of June (28-29), leading Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) joined a broad coalition of organisations warning European leaders to act urgently to prevent Europe from a health crisis.

For the first time 9 MEPs, 65 leading trade unions, civil society organisations, health organisations, and industry associations have united in [an open letter](#) calling on European leaders to stop cutting essential health and welfare systems and focus on ordinary people living in Europe coping with the dire impact of a financial crisis of which they are the first victims. The toll on physical and mental health is becoming unbearable, and health systems are at breaking point. The coalition is led by the European Public Health Alliance, whose recent briefing notes summarises the evidence of the [devastating impact of the financial crisis on human health](#). The evidence in rising suicides, mental health problems, rates of infectious disease are warning signs that current policies are hurtling Europe in a dangerous direction.

For millions of people living in Europe, these last few years have been devastating in a way few had imagined Europe would face again. Rising levels of unemployment, high levels of household debt and cuts to public services have left many people desperate and in need of support. The current indiscriminate cuts to social support and healthcare not only threatens the fundamental right of access to care, it also undermines the core values at the heart of the European vision and the functioning of our democracies.

European leaders must realise that, cutting spending on essential services such as health, particularly in primary care and early intervention, is a false economy. It will drive up long term costs, leading to the re-emergence of communicable diseases and put the burden on those people who can afford it least. The lessons learned from the crises of the past is to keep supporting people through the hard times, reform smartly and ensure you have a healthy population that can pick up when the economy improves.

The joint letter concludes that "at this decisive time the public health community and people living in Europe look for courageous leadership from Heads of States and Government to take action on prioritising and championing the health of people, not sacrificing health for short term financial gains."

University of Alberta, Canada: Professional development training opportunities

The University of Alberta has just opened registrations for 5 professional development training opportunities to be held in Edmonton, Canada in August 2012. These workshops are ideal for practitioners, clinicians and policy developers working in health services, health systems, government and non-governmental organizations.

The following workshops will be held:

Introduction to Public Health Surveillance (August 20 - 24, 2012)

Geographic Information Science in Public Health (September 7 and 8, 2012)

Fundamentals of Investigating Infectious Disease Outbreaks (August 27 - 28, 2012)

Data Analysis for Public Health Surveillance (August 15 and 16, 2012)

Using Evidence in the Decision Making Process (August 29 and 30, 2012)

Details can be found on our website - <http://www.publichealth.ualberta.ca/en/pd/surveillance.aspx>

News Release: Child Safety Report Cards

The European Child Safety Alliance is pleased to announce the release of Child Safety Report Cards for 31 countries and a European summary report, launched today (June 12, 2012) in the European Parliament in Strasbourg, with the support of MEP Malcolm Harbour, European Commissioner John Dalli and MEP Christel Schaldemose, Representative for the Danish EU Presidency.

Results share the scoring of 31 countries in Europe on over 100 proven safety measures to reduce the number one cause of death, disability and inequity in every Member State: injury.

Trend analyses results are also available for countries that have participated in Child Safety Report Card assessments from 2007 to 2012 and 2009 to 2012.

To view the press release and access downloads for individual country report cards and profiles, the Child Safety Report Card: Europe Summary for 31 countries and Frequently Asked Questions please go to www.childsafetyeurope.org

5. EUPHA member updates

Swiss Society of Public Health www.public-health.ch

The director of the office of the Swiss Society of Public Health will leave her position as of 30 September 2012. We thank Denise Felber-Dietrich for her commitment to the Swiss Society and to EUPHA and wish her a successful further career.

SAVEZ - Slovak Public Health Association www.savez.sk

Has just published the Book of proceedings from the V4 STEPS workshop: Strengthening public health systems.

World Federation of Public Health Associations www.wfpha.org

The May 2012 Newsletter of the WFPHA is now available. To read, [click here](#).

ASPHER www.aspher.org

ASPHER is once again organising The Annual Young Researchers' Forum, one of the Association's key events of the year bringing together young scientists from ASPHER member schools and beyond and allowing them to showcase their work. The next Young Researchers' Forum will take place on November 7th, 2012, prior to the start of the 5th European Public Health Conference in Malta. Attractive prizes will be offered by ASPHER member schools for the best poster and oral presentations. The annual European Public Health Conference is the prime opportunity for researchers at the beginning of their careers to gain visibility by presenting high quality work to senior colleagues well-renowned in academia and public health practice. Go to <http://2011.aspher.org/pg/profile/yrforum> to find out more – abstract submission opens on July 5th!

Agency for the Public Health Education Accreditation in Europe APHEA www.aphea.net

The recently launched Agency for Public Health Education Accreditation in Europe (APHEA) will be represented at the annual conference in Malta. If your institution offers a Master of Public Health (or equivalent) programme which you would like to have accredited by the first European agency specifically for accreditation of public health education or if you are just interested in this new accreditation programme, we hope you will come talk to us in Malta! Please go to www.aphea.net for information!

6. Upcoming courses and conferences



Going International (GI) promotes training and further education for experts and newcomers in public health and humanitarian assistance around the globe. The flagship of GI is the international course catalogue "medicine & health", a unique annual publication listing courses and congresses in the fields of biomedicine, public health and development cooperation. For further information: <http://www.going-international.at/index.php?lang=EN> Global International is an official partner of EUPHA.

Title: Summer school in public health policy, economics and management
Organiser: Swiss School of public health + and partners
Date: 20-25 August 2012
Place: Lugano, Switzerland
More information: www.ssphplus.ch/summerschool

Title: Systematic Reviews for Policy and Practice –
a short course in conducting and using systematic reviews
Date: 3 September – 14 December 2012

Place: 100% Online
Deadline: 20 August 2012
More information: <http://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/Msc/srpp>

Title: **Research and policy: bad marriage or happily ever after?
Master Class Public Health**
Date: 6-7 September 2012
Place: Tilburg, the Netherlands
More info: Tranzo / Tilburg University (<http://www.tilburguniversity.edu/research/institutes-and-research-groups/tranzo/masterclasspublichealth/>)

Title: **Introduction to Mathematical Models of the Epidemiology & Control of
Infectious Diseases**
Organiser: Imperial College London
Date: 10-21 September 2012
Place: London, UK
More information: <http://www.InfectiousDiseaseModels.org>

Title: **NHS Informatics 2012: delivering a successful information revolution**
Organiser: NHS
Date: 19 September 2012
Place: London, UK
More information: [Register to attend NHS Informatics 2012](#)

Title: **EFPA Expert Conference Psychology for Health**
Organiser: EFPA
Date: September 20-21, 2012
Place: Brussels, Belgium
More information: www.efpa.eu/PsyforHealthCongress2012

Title: **Third Annual World Rabies Day International Webinar**
Date: September 20-21, 2012
More information: <http://webinar.worldrabiesday.org>

Title: **Graz HIA Summer school**
Date: 24-28 September 2012
Place: Graz, Austria
Organiser: Graz medical university
More information: www.medunigraz.at/ps

Title: **9th European IUHPE Conference on Health Promotion**
Organiser: IUHPE
Date: 27-29 September 2012
Place: Tallinn, Estonia
More information: www.iuhpe.org

Title: **MSc in Research for Public Policy and Practice –
Reviewing and using research**
Date: September 2012, January 2013 – one year full time, two years part time
Place: Online
Organiser: Institute of Education, University of London
More info: <http://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/Msc/>

Title: 15th European Health Forum Gastein
Crisis and Opportunity: Health in an Age of Austerity
Organiser: EHFG
Date: 3-6 October 2012
Place: Bad Hofgastein, Salzburg, Austria
More information: http://www.ehfg.org/fileadmin/ehfg/Programm/2012/2PA_english_web_1.pdf

Title: **How to Pass Your Research Protocol through an Ethics Review Committee**
Organizer: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health
Date: 4 October 2012
Place: University of Zurich, Switzerland
More information: http://www.ispm-unibas.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

Title: **Dementia – A National Crisis**
Date: 4 October 2012
Place: Manchester, UK
More information: [View Full Details of Programme and Speakers](#)

Title: **Global issues facing humanity within health and social well being**
Organiser: Trnava University
Date: 15-16 October 2012
Place: Trnava, Slovakia
Deadline: for abstracts: 16 September 2012
More information: <http://fzasp.truni.sk>

Title: **European Scientific Conference on Applied Infectious Disease Epidemiology (ESCAIDE)**
Organiser: ECDC
Date: 24-26 October 2012
Place: Edingburgh, Scotland
Deadline: for abstracts: 13 July 2012
More information: www.escaide.eu

Title: **Media Training Workshop: Communication Skills**
Organizer: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health
Date: 29-30 October 2012
Place: University of Bern, Switzerland
More information: http://www.ispm-unibas.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

Title: **Ethnicity and health research: helping to make a fairer, healthier Scotland**
Organiser: NHS Scotland
Date: 21 November 2012
Place: Edingburgh, Scotland
More information: www.healthscotland.com/news

Title: **Genes - Are They Key to Public Health?**
Organizer: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health
Date: 27 November 2012
Place: University of Basel, SwissTPH, Switzerland
More information: http://www.ispm-unibas.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

Title: Introduction to the Statistical Software R
Organizer: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health
Date: 13 - 14 February 2013
Place: University of Basel, Swiss TPH, Switzerland
More information: http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

Title: Applied Bayesian Statistics in Medical Research and Health-Care Evaluation
Organizer: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health
Date: 18-20 March 2013
Place: ISPM Bern, Switzerland
More information: http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

Title: The second conference on Knowledge Exchange in Public Health: How to get practice into science?
Date: 22-23 April 2013
Place: Noordwijkerhout, The Netherlands
Organiser: Tranzo / Tilburg University in collaboration with Fuse
More info: Tranzo (<http://www.tilburguniversity.edu/research/institutes-and-research-groups/tranzo/hollandfuseconference/>)

Title: Analysis of Data with Measurements Below the Detection Limit
Organizer: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health
Date: 06 - 08 May 2013
Place: University of Basel, Swiss TPH, Switzerland
More information: http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

Title: Multilevel Modeling: Analysis of Clustered Data
Organizer: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health
Date: 22-24 and 27-28 May 2013
Place: University of Basel, Swiss TPH, Switzerland
More information: http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

7. Interesting publications

The Burden of Disease and the Changing Task of Medicine

David S. Jones, Scott H. Podolsky, and Jeremy A. Greene
N Engl J Med 2012; 366:2333-2338 - June 21, 2012
Comments open through December 31, 2012
Website: <http://bit.ly/Klummd>

The persistence of health inequalities in modern welfare states: The explanation of a paradox

Johan P. Mackenbach
Department of Public Health, Erasmus Rotterdam, Netherlands
Social Science & Medicine - Volume 75, Issue 4, August 2012
Website: <http://bit.ly/MFV5xr>

Assessing the impact and effectiveness of intersectoral action on the social determinants of health and health equity: An expedited systematic review

Antigonish, Nova Scotia Canada: National Collaborating Centre for Determinants of Health, St. Francis Xavier University.
ISBN: 978-1-926823-12-6 - NCCDH_CCNDS – June 2012
Available online PDF [64p.] at: <http://bit.ly/NSC5PE>

Comparative Performance of Private and Public Healthcare Systems in Low- and Middle-Income Countries: A Systematic Review

Sanjay Basu et al.

PLoS Medicine – 19 June 2012 - Volume 9 -| Issue 6 - e1001244

Available online at: <http://bit.ly/N6hOQM>

Measuring and Analyzing Health Care Disparities

Health Services Research - Volume 47, Issue 3pt2, June 2012

Edited by: Jacqueline S. Zinn and José J. Escarce

Published on behalf of Health Research and Educational Trust in cooperation with AcademyHealth

Website: <http://bit.ly/KK7q6g>

**Chronic Diseases, Primary Care and Health Systems Performance
Diagnostics, Tools and Interventions**

Inter-American Development Bank

Social Sector - Social Protection and Health Division

James Macinko, Inês Dourado, Frederico C. Guanais

Available online PDF [35p] at: <http://bit.ly/M0pF4f>

The State of Canada's Cities and Communities 2012

Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Ottawa, Ontario Canada – 2012

Available online PDF [65p.] at: <http://bit.ly/KxmnHt>

Measuring Child Poverty: New league tables of child poverty in the world's rich countries

UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre - May 2012

Innocenti Report Card 10, UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre, Florence Italy

Available online PDF [40p.] at: <http://bit.ly/KXEscw>

Canadian Inequality: Recent Development and Policy Options

Nicole M et al.

Canadian Labour Market and Skills Researcher Network

Working Paper No. 100

Department of Economics - University of British Columbia - May 2012

Available online PDF [44p.] at: <http://bit.ly/M79ksY>

A Guide to Evaluation in Health Research

Sarah Bowen

Canadian Institutes of Health Research CIHR- June 2012

Available online PDF [55p.] at: <http://bit.ly/LwDITX>

Global Health

May 2012 - Dedicated to the World's well being

Global Health Programme, Graduate Institute in cooperation with the Global Health Diplomacy Program

Munk School of Global Affairs and Trinity College University of Toronto

Available online PDF [74p.] at: <http://bit.ly/M0KSJJ>

WHO QualityRights Tool Kit

Assessing and improving quality and human rights in mental health and social care facilities

Michelle Funk and Natalie Drew

World Health Organization (WHO), Geneva, Switzerland June 2012

Available online PDF [144p.] at: <http://bit.ly/Ns4E6v>

Addressing the social determinants of health: the urban dimension and the role of local government

WHO Regional Office for Europe

Copenhagen, Denmark – 2012

Available PDF [56p.] at: <http://bit.ly/M85vnD>

Countdown to 2015 - Maternal, New Born and Child Survival - Building a Future for Women and Children. The 2012 Report

Lead writers: Jennifer Requejo, Jennifer and Cesar Victora

World Health Organization and UNICEF 2012

Available online PDF [56p.] at: <http://bit.ly/KEniCx>

Dimensions of health care system quality in Finland

Pääkkönen, Jenni; Seppälä, Timo

VATT Working Papers 31 - May 2012 - Valtion taloudellinen tutkimuskeskus

Government Institute for Economic Research - Helsinki 2012

Available online PDF [40p.] at: <http://bit.ly/KIzFqA>

Priority-Setting in Health: Building Institutions for Smarter Public Spending

A report of the Center for Global Development's Priority-Setting Institutions for Global Health Working Group

Amanda Glassman and Kalipso Chalkidou, Co-chairs – 2012

Available online PDF [101p.] at: <http://bit.ly/LYHE9Z>

Our Planet, Our Health, Our Future

Human health and the Rio Conventions: biological diversity, climate change and desertification

Jonathan Patz et al.

World Health Organization 2012

Available online PDF [64p.] at: <http://bit.ly/MRKGSm>

From the Earth Summit to Rio+20: integration of health and sustainable development

Andy Haines, George Alleyne, Ilona Kickbusch, Carlos Dora

and Interventions for Healthy Environments Unit, Department of Public Health and the Environment, WHO, Geneva, Switzerland

The Lancet, Volume 379, Issue 9832, 9 June 2012

Website: <http://bit.ly/LEfqky>

Health Equity and Prevention Primer

Prevention Institute - Oakland, CA – USA

Health Equity Toolkit available online at: <http://bit.ly/b8mD39>

The cost of Inaction on the Social Determinants of Health

The National Centre for Social and Economic Modelling (NATSEM), University of Canberra, Australia

Report no. 2/2012, June 4, 2012 CHA-NATSEM Second Report on Health Inequalities

Laurie Brown, Linc Thurecht and Binod Nepal

Available online as PDF file [54p.] at: <http://bit.ly/M5704c>

Well-being evidence for policy: A review

nef (the new economics foundation) UK - 2012

Available online PDF [88p.] at <http://bit.ly/HupZaE>

The Economic Impact of Improvements in Primary Healthcare Performance PHC

Simone Dahrouge, Rose Anne Devlin, Bill Hogg, Grant Russell, Doug Coyle, Dean Fergusson
Canadian Health Services Research Foundation – CHSRF – 2012
Available online PDF [89p.] at: <http://bit.ly/KJVjE6>

Multiple crises and global health: New and necessary frontiers of health politics

Ted Schrecker
Global Public Health: An International Journal for Research, Policy and Practice - Vol 7, Issue 6, 2012
Website: <http://bit.ly/KyvjJi>

A Framework Convention on Global Health: Health for All, Justice for All

Gostin, Lawrence
(May 16, 2012). Journal of the American Medical Association, Vol. 307, No. 19, pp. 2087-2092, 2012
Available online at: <http://bit.ly/M7SQmp>

The Community Tool Box Bringing Solutions to Light

Work Group for Community Health and Development
University of Kansas – 2011
The Community Tool Box is a global resource for free information on essential skills for building healthy communities. Promoting community health and development by connecting people, ideas and resources
English: Available online at: <http://bit.ly/IMvFse>

State of the World's Mothers Report

Save the Children – 2012
Available online PDF [70p.] at: <http://bit.ly/Lb6Klo>

Equity in financing and use of health care in Ghana, South Africa, and Tanzania: implications for paths to universal coverage

Anne Mills et al.
The Lancet, 15 May 2012doi:10.1016/S0140-6736(12)60357-2
Website: <http://bit.ly/LxttYa>

8. European Commission news

• Ageing

Commissioner Dalli delivers speech on "Healthy and Active Ageing through improved access to affordable generic medicines", Malta, 15 June 2012

Paola Testori Coggi, Director General for health and Consumers delivers a speech on the occasion of the conference on Good Governance for Active and Healthy Ageing (4 June 2012)

• Alcohol

10th meeting of the Committee on National Alcohol Policy and Action, Luxembourg, 18-19 April 2012
Presentations available

- **Antimicrobial resistance**

Preparation of Agriculture and Fisheries Council, 18 June 2012 - Antimicrobial resistance and human health to be discussed

- **Blood, tissues and organs**

Health-EU newsletter 92 - World Blood Donor Day: 'Every blood donor is a hero'

Second Journalist Workshop on organ donation and transplantation, Brussels, 18 October 2011 - New articles published in June 2012 in "L'infirmière libérale Magazine"

Press release: World Blood Donor Day - Blood donors, all heroes!

World Blood Donor Day 2012 - Become a blood donor

- **EPSCO Council**

Employment, Social, Health & Consumer Affairs Council, 21-22 June 2012 - new Public Health Programme, serious cross-border threats to health and antimicrobial resistance to be discussed

- **Health-EU portal**

Take part in a survey and help us improve the "Health-EU Portal"!

- **Health indicators**

ECHI - new indicator on life expectancy by educational attainment

- **Healthy environments**

Commissioner Dalli launches Child Safety Report Cards

- **Health Programme**

Implementation of the Health Programme - Annual report 2010 available

- **Major and chronic diseases**

European Week Against Cancer 2012 - Watch the recordings of flashmob events organised in major European cities

2nd Open Forum of the European Partnership for Action Against Cancer, Rome, 19-20 June - Follow the event via live streaming

Press Release from the European Partnership for Action Against Cancer on the 2nd Open Forum of the partnership, Rome, 19-20 June 2012

- **Medicinal products for human use**

Adoption and Publication of Commission Implementing Regulation on pharmacovigilance activities

Public consultation on fees for pharmaco-vigilance to be charged by the European Medicines Agency

- **Medicinal products**

Public Consultation Paper on the review of the Guideline on the details of the various categories of variations to the terms of marketing authorisations for medicinal products

- **Nutrition and physical activity**

Fifteenth plenary meeting of the High Level Group on Nutrition and Physical Activity, Brussels, 14 June 2012 - Flash report and contributions available

Plenary meeting of the European Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health, Brussels, 9 February 2012 - Minutes available

Plenary meeting of the European Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health, Brussels, 24 May 2012 - Flash report and contributions available

20 KM of Brussels - Eat well, move more, be happy!

- **Pharmaceuticals**

Commissioner Dalli delivers speech on "The European Commission Strategy for the Pharmaceutical Sector" (4 June 2012)

- **Rare diseases**

Press release: 1,000th designation of an orphan medicinal product: improving the lives of patients

- **Sexually transmitted diseases**

HIV/AIDS Think Tank, Luxembourg, 07-08 December 2011 - Minutes available

- **Tobacco**

Press release: Commissioner Dalli and UEFA President Michel Platini agree 'smoke-free' EURO 2012 will score goals for Europe's health

FC Barcelona announces cooperation with "Ex-Smokers are Unstoppable", 7 June 2012

Health-EU newsletter 91 - World No Tobacco Day – 'Ex-smokers are unstoppable' campaign

Message from Commissioner Dalli on the occasion of the World No Tobacco Day 2012 - The "Ex-smokers are unstoppable" campaign: an effective tool to support citizens who want to quit smoking

"Ex-Smokers are Unstoppable" in the 20km of Brussels! (27 May 2012) - Watch the pictures

Press release: World No Tobacco Day 2012: EU-wide survey shows that a majority of EU citizens supports stronger tobacco control measures

Special eurobarometer on attitudes of Europeans towards tobacco

Launch of "Ex-smokers are unstoppable" awareness campaign for air travellers - See press conference photo gallery

World No Tobacco Day: Launch of "Ex-smokers are unstoppable" new video clips and awareness campaign for air travellers

"Ex-Smokers are Unstoppable" in the 20km of Brussels! (27 May 2012) - Watch the video

- **Vaccination**

Information on Commission activities to strengthen childhood immunisation now available in all languages

9. European Centre for Diseases Control

Eurosurveillance, Volume 17, Issue 22, 31 May 2012

In this issue: Coxsackievirus A24 haemorrhagic conjunctivitis diagnosed in France in traveller returning from the Comoros Islands.

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2012 outbreak of acute haemorrhagic conjunctivitis in Indian Ocean Islands: identification of Coxsackievirus A24 in a returned traveller
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20185>

Psittacosis outbreak in Tayside, Scotland, December 2011 to February 2012
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20186>

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Mandatory and recommended vaccination in the EU, Iceland and Norway: results of the VENICE 2010 survey on the ways of implementing national vaccination programmes
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In the national epidemiological bulletins - a selection from current issues
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20187>

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In this issue: An outbreak of ciguatera food poisoning in the Canary Islands makes it the third recorded in these islands since the beginning of 2012.

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Imported laryngeal and cutaneous diphtheria in tourists returning from western Africa to Sweden, March 2012
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20189>

A large outbreak of conjunctivitis on Mayotte Island, France, February to May 2012
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20192>

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European scientific conference on applied infectious disease epidemiology (ESCAIDE) 2012 – call for abstracts
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20191>

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Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20190>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 17, Issue 24, 14 June 2012

In this issue: Results of the surveillance of vaccine adverse effects in the French armed forces from 2002 to 2010.

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<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20193>

Description of measles D4-Hamburg outbreak in Hamburg, Germany, December 2008 to June 2009, which disproportionately affected a local Roma community
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20194>

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Quantitative assessment of passenger flows in Europe and its implications for tracing contacts of infectious passengers

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20195>

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ECDC public health response to the threat of resistant gonorrhoea in Europe

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20196>

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Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20197>

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In this issue: An educational article discussing strengths and limitations of case-cohort studies based on examples from field epidemiology.

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Treatment failure of pharyngeal gonorrhoea with internationally recommended first-line ceftriaxone verified in Slovenia, September 2011

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Salmonella Paratyphi B var Java infections associated with exposure to turtles in Bizkaia, Spain, September 2010 to October 2011

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<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20202>

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10. WHO publications

"Measuring health gains from sustainable development"

covering key RIO+20 themes. Initial findings drawn from a recent expert consultation, co-sponsored by National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences-USA.

See also our list of major WHO co-sponsored side events at RIO. All documents and events available at "Health in the green economy": http://www.who.int/hia/green_economy/en/

Addressing the social determinants of health: the urban dimension and the role of local government

This report summarizes the evidence on the social determinants of health in the urban context, drawing on the findings of the global Commission on Social Determinants of Health and the European review of social determinants of health and the health divide.

It also highlights how, through its leadership, local government can play a significant role in addressing these causes of health inequalities, by working across sectors and with civil society partners.

This report provides a helpful overview of practices from across Europe, and identifies priority action areas and key implementation issues, to support and accelerate the growing interest of local governments in being sensitive and proactive in tackling inequities.

For more information about the book, how to order and a link to the electronic version check:
<http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-publish/abstracts/addressing-the-social-determinants-of-health-the-urban-dimension-and-the-role-of-local-government>

Capacity of the health system in Kazakhstan for crisis management. 2010

This publication is only available online.

This report presents a WHO assessment of the preparedness of Kazakhstan's health system for emergencies and health crises. It evaluates the arrangements the country has in place to deal with crises, regardless of cause, examines the initiatives it has taken to prevent and mitigate risk, and makes recommendations on how to strengthen the overall preparedness capacity of the health system. While the main focus is on the national level, some attention is paid to the capacity for crisis management at the regional level and to the links between the various levels of government. It will be of interest to all those involved in crisis management, at many levels and in various sectors of government.

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