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1. EUPHA 2009: Lodz, Poland

In 2009, the second joint European Conference on Public Health will be held in Łódź, Poland from 25 to 28 November. The conference is jointly organised by:

- EUPHA – The European Public Health Association
- ASPHER – The Association of Schools of Public Health in the European Region
- The Polish Association of Public Health
- The Nofer Institute of Occupational Medicine

The second announcement can be downloaded from our website. Abstract submission is now open until 1 May 2009 (midnight).

Please go to: http://www.eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php for more information.

2. Job opportunities

Research (HQ/HSR)

Organization unit: HQ/HSS Health Systems and Services (HQ/HSS) /World Health Organization

Vacancy Notice No: HQ/09/HQ/HSS/FT16

Title: Executive Director Grade: D1 Duty Station: Geneva Switzerland

Deadline for application: **19 February 2009**

Website: https://erecruit.who.int/public/hrd-cl-vac-view.asp?o_c=1000&jobinfo_uid_c=20394&vacIng=en

The Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research is an international collaboration situated in the Health Systems and Services (HSS) cluster, that aims to promote the generation and use of health policy and systems research (HPSR) as a means to improve developing country health systems.

The objectives of the Alliance are to:

- Stimulate the generation and synthesis of policy relevant health systems knowledge, encompassing evidence, tools and methods
- Promote the dissemination and use of health policy and systems research knowledge to improve the performance of health systems.
- Facilitate the development of capacity for the generation, dissemination and use of HPSR knowledge amongst researchers, policy makers and other stakeholders.

Description of duties:

- Conceptualise, develop and coordinate the Alliance strategy, work plan and budget, seeking inputs from Partners, the Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC), and WHO for approval by the Board.
- Oversee the implementation of the work plan and budget, and maintain an organizational structure and staffing plan to meet the goals and objectives of the Alliance, in accordance with the approved work plan.
- Facilitate internal communications between the organs of the Alliance (Board, STAC, Secretariat) and Partners including WHO, and ensure regular and productive meetings of the Alliance Board and STAC.
- Monitor and ensure the quality of all activities and products, including ensuring transparent and competitive procedures for the award of Alliance grants.
- Develop and implement a monitoring and evaluation framework for the Alliance and report to the Board and inform the STAC on a regular basis on the achievement of strategies and objectives and on the use of resources by the Alliance.
- Develop and implement a fundraising strategy for the Alliance.
- Liaise with donors, and other strategic partners to identify common interests and develop memoranda of understanding, grant agreements or other agreements in order to support the goals of the Alliance as approved by the Board.
- Act as a spokesperson and advocate for HPSR in general, and the Alliance specifically, through presentations and published articles, and represent the Alliance and WHO at inter-agency, international, regional and national research meetings, providing authoritative advice and technical expertise to internal and external partners.
- Advise the Assistant Director-General HSS on HPSR issues and contribute through membership of the HSS senior management team to the overall strategic directions, management and promotion of HSS.
- Liaise with other clusters of WHO (eg. IER) and other relevant departments and programmes (eg. TDR, HRP) on health systems research issues and act as an organizational focal for HPSR within WHO.

Looking for a new dynamic medical research environment?

The Center for Primary Health Care Research (CPF) may be looking for you. The CPF is a new collaborative venture of Lund University and Region Skåne in southern Sweden.

We are located at the Clinical Research Centre, a translational research environment at Malmö University Hospital in the city of Malmö, Sweden.

Using primary health care as our arena, we will conduct world-class translational research in five program areas: • migration and neighborhoods • welfare diseases, medical epidemiology, and genetic epidemiology • research methods in family medicine and research on quality aspects of medical education • public health science and social epidemiology and • health economy, organization of health care, and evaluation of health and medical programs.

To improve the quality of our research, we will work closely with primary health care center and hospital personnel and with international collaborators at a number of universities, including Stanford and Harvard.

We are building our team and are looking for people to fill a number of positions. The CPF needs biostatisticians, postdoctoral research fellows, postdoctoral students, and doctoral students in epidemiology and physical activity. Interested? Send an informal letter to Jan.Sundquist@med.lu.se describing your qualifications and explaining why you want to be one of us. We look forward to hearing from you!

Position for a M.D. Geneticist

Location: Laboratoire de génétique moléculaire, Institut Universitaire de Recherche Clinique, Montpellier, France (<http://www.umd.be/u827/>)

Description: The Molecular Genetic Center of the Hospital-University of Montpellier has an opening for a M.D. specialized in molecular genetics, with a strong background in human genetics including laboratory

diagnosis and research. The selected candidate will have first a contract of at least one year that may be followed by a permanent position. Our lab comprises 58 people including hospital, university and Inserm teams working close together.

Absolute Requirements : be a Medical Doctor from the EUROPEAN COMMUNITY with a strong background in human genetics.

The applicant will be expected to:

1. validate the requirements of genetic tests (pre-analytical expertise) of one or two diseases for which we work as a National Reference Laboratory
2. supervise the daily tasks of highly specialized technicians involved in in-depth molecular genetic diagnosis of these diseases,
3. validate and sign the results of molecular diagnosis in tight interaction with the other geneticists of the lab,
4. develop new diagnostic technologies,
5. participate in research effort (Inserm unit u827 entitled : "*Rare diseases:molecular pathology, functional studies and genetic databases*"),
6. participate in the training and the teaching of medical, pharmaceutic, and scientific students.

The selected candidate will be proficient in English and capable to attain proficiency in French at a reasonable notice.

Applications and CV and cover letter, complete with the names and addresses (including e-mail) of at least two referees are to be submitted to Prof. Mireille Claustres detailing past experience, motivations and future plans.

For further information, call Professor Mireille Claustres

Chef de Service de génétique moléculaire

CHU, UM1 et INSERM

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3. Interesting news

Change of Director at NIVEL, The Netherlands

On the 1st of January, a change of director took place at EUPHA's home base NIVEL – the Netherlands Institute of Health Care Research. Both directors, Prof. Jouke van der Zee and Prof. Jozien Bensing, stepped down. The incoming director is Prof. Peter Groenewegen.

Finnish National Institute for Health and Welfare launched 1 January 2009

The new National Institute for Health and Welfare (THL) started operations on 1 January 2009, following the merger of the National Public Health Institute (KTL) and the National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health (STAKES).

New contact details:

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Street address: Mannerheimintie 166, Helsinki

In 2008, the Global Forum for Health research celebrated 10 years of achievements.

We effectively advocated around the "10/90" gap and drove the case for better targeted and prioritized research to address the health needs of poor populations -provided a forum for exchange, learning and innovation to decision-makers in research, funding and policy -developed high-quality evidence and tools that help guide decisions in research for health

But we could not do this alone. We thank all those who have contributed to our success: participants in Forum meetings, partners in numerous activities, Foundation Council members, staff and of course funders.

Download the publication on the Global Forum's 10th anniversary:
English: <http://www.globalforumhealth.org/filesupld/anniv10/pub/10yearsGlobalForum.pdf>
French: <http://www.globalforumhealth.org/filesupld/anniv10/pub/10AnsGlobalForum.pdf>
See the photos of our two anniversary celebrations this year:
http://www.globalforumhealth.org/more/000__10thanniversary.php
Read anniversary messages from our stakeholders around the world:
http://www.globalforumhealth.org/more/000__wishes10.php

European Commission's press release on safe, innovative and accessible medicines: a renewed vision for the pharmaceutical sector.

The EU has been losing ground in pharmaceutical innovation. European patients still suffer from inequalities in the availability of information about medicines, whilst counterfeits are on the rise. To address these challenges, the Commission has tabled a package, consisting of four key parts:

1. A communication to launch reflections on ways to improve market access and to develop initiatives to boost EU pharmaceutical research.
2. A proposal to tackle the growing issues of counterfeiting and illegal distribution of medicines,
3. Proposals to enable citizens to have access to high-quality information on prescription-only medicines,
4. Proposals to improve patient protection by strengthening the EU system for the safety monitoring ('pharmacovigilance') of medicines.

The full text of the press release and memos in all EU languages (in DOC, PDF, HTML, for download and further use) can be found at:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/searchResultAction.do?search=OK&query=Indus&username=PROF&advanced=0&guiLanguage=en>

More information on Pharmaceuticals in the EU can be found at:

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/pharmaceuticals/index_en.htm

Innovative Community-based Ecosystem Management Interventions for Improved Dengue and Chagas Disease Prevention in Latin America and the Caribbean

A TDR/IDRC Research Initiative. Deadline for receipt of concept notes: Wednesday, 15 April 2009

Website: <http://www.who.int/tdr/svc/grants/calls/innovative-ecosystem-management>

English: Call for concept notes [PDF: 169Kb, 6 pages]

Spanish: Convocatoria para la presentación de notas conceptuales en catalán [PDF: 75Kb, 6 páginas]

French: Demande de notes de synthèse en français [PDF: 140Kb, 5 pages]

The UNICEF/UNDP/World Bank/WHO Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR), in collaboration with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), invites concept notes for research projects on innovative community-based ecosystem management approaches to dengue and Chagas disease prevention in low and middle-income countries of Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC). It is expected that projects funded under this initiative will:

- lead to a better understanding of the interaction between ecological, biological, social and economic ("eco-bio-social") determinants of dengue and Chagas disease transmission in Latin America and the Caribbean;
- contribute to the development of inter-sectoral ecosystem management interventions for dengue and Chagas disease prevention; and
- contribute to innovation and application in public health policy and practice regarding ecosystem management interventions for communicable disease prevention.

Manager Innovative Ecosystem Management and Community Directed Interventions for Dengue and Chagas Disease Control

Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR) - WHO

1211 Geneva 27 Switzerland

Tel: (+41-22) 791-3954, 3365 and 3398 Fax: (+41-22) 791-4854

Contact Dr Johannes Sommerfeld. Please send also a copy of the application to Dr. Olaf Horstick.

Best Practices that incorporate a gender/ethnic equality perspective in health

http://devserver.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=457&Itemid=207&lang=en

Deadline 31 January 2009

The Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) is convening the second competition of Best Practices that incorporate a gender/ethnic equality perspective in health, within the framework of the celebration of the International Women's Day that will take place in Washington DC.

In this competition, two experiences will be selected and rewarded. During the Celebration, an award will be given to the winning Best Practice for each of the following categories:

- An organization related to the public sector (Ministry of Health, another Sector–Education, Ministry of Women - , NGO or academic institution that works with the public health sector) that has developed a Best Practice incorporating a gender perspective in health that includes populations of ethnic origin (indigenous population, African descent, migrant, displaced).
- A regional, national or local project and/or program developed or supported by PAHO that includes a gender equality approach.

A representative per each of the two winning Best Practice will be invited by the Director of PAHO, Dr Mirta Roses, to present the experience during the International Women's Day celebration on 9 March 2009 in Washington, D.C. Furthermore, each institution that represents the winning experience will receive five thousand dollars in order to publish the Best Practice and lessons learned, using a PAHO Best Practice template, that then will be disseminated and included in PAHO database of Best Practices for Mainstreaming Gender Equality in Health.

For more information please send an e-mail to: buenasprac@paho.org

Oxford University Press information

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- Chapter off-prints so that you can select the most relevant material from the book and create a smaller bespoke guide

This programme allows you to brand copies of our smaller pocket books (or create smaller books by taking off-prints from the larger texts) and give these away or sell on to new members / those who renew their membership. They also make excellent educational tools and conferences and workshops. Please see below for an update on our titles, as well as the new medical catalogue which is attached to this email. If you require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sarah Borien, Medical Sales Executive Academic Division

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If you are interested to join us in the 2009-10 academic year, please submit your online application before, March 1, 2009.

If you have any questions regarding your application please contact:

Netherlands Institute for Health Sciences, Educational Support Center (DCO) Room Ee308, PO Box 2040, 3000 CA Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Phone: +31 (0)10 703 8450, Fax: +31 (0)10 704 4680, E-mail: info@nihes.nl

4. European NGOs working for public health in Europe

This new section will introduce a different NGO working for public health in Europe every month. This month: the Health & Environment Alliance (HEAL) <http://www.env-health.org/>.

The Health and Environment Alliance aims to raise awareness of how environmental protection improves health. It achieves this by creating opportunities for better representation of citizens' and health experts' perspectives in the environment and health-related European policy-making. Membership includes a diverse network of 54 citizens', patients', women's, health professionals' and environmental organisations across Europe and has a strong track record in increasing public and expert engagement in both EU debates and the decision-making process. 11 members are international or European organisations and 43 works at national or local in 22 different countries.

Aims:

- Make European citizens and NGOs more aware of policy changes that can help or hinder progress towards sustainable development
- Support the participation of citizens in policy making at the European level and represent their concerns
- Strengthen EU policies in favour of better protection of health and the environment
- Link significant research findings to recommendations on policy action

HEAL is pleased to present their latest publication entitled "*Choosing our Future – For A Healthier Life, Consume Chemicals in Moderation!*", published together with [Mouvement pour les Droits et le Respect des Générations Futures](#) (MDRGF) and David Ratte are delighted to present you their latest publication

The "*Choosing our Future*" comic strip highlights – in a humorous and simple way – the recent evidence of harm to health from certain widely used chemicals. The publication and associated website, produced in English and French, aim to provide readers with what is currently known about the links between health and man-made chemicals and examples of individual action and EU policy opportunities that can help produce changes for the better.

The book is divided into the four comic strips and five other sections: an introduction; explanations of certain key words in "Behind the dialogue" section, all of which are scientifically referenced; a "What you can do yourself" section; a chapter on EU chemicals policy, including REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Restriction and Authorisation of Chemicals); and, a glossary.

The four comic strip stories highlight different worrying aspects of exposure to man-made chemicals, such as the special vulnerabilities of the unborn baby and children, how synthetic substances are building up in our bodies, and how exposure to a mixture of chemicals known as the "cocktail effect" may be multiplying the adverse effects of exposure. The final story and texts suggest some alternatives found in an "organic life".

The stories touch on the health conditions associated with environmental risks, such as allergies, asthma, brain development disturbances, certain cancers due to disruption to our hormone system, and fertility problems. The publication explains the facts behind the dialogue, which are scientifically referenced. Other sections cover both what the individual and the EU can do to ensure and healthier and better future.

5. Upcoming courses and conferences

Going International (Partner of EUPHA)

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>

Title	4-Day Certificate Course "Introduction to Health Technology Assessment"
Date	February 25 to 28, 2009
Place	Hall i.T., Austria
Organiser	UMIT - University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology
More information	Ruth Schwarzer Phone: +43-50-8648-3929 Fax: +43-50-8648-673929

Title 5th World Congress World Institute of Pain - WIP
Date March 13-16, 2009
Place New York, United States
Organiser UEMS
More information <http://www.uems.net>

Title 17th Annual Public Health Forum
Date 25th & 26th March 2009
Place Brighton, UK
Organiser UK Public Health Association

Title University of Liverpool, Division of Public Health
"Improving Health in Europe"
Date 20th – 24th April 2009.
Place Liverpool UK
Organiser Liverpool University
More information Christopher.Birt@liv.ac.uk or n.gotch@liv.ac.uk

Title World Health Care Congress Europe
Date 13-14 May 2009
Place Brussels, Belgium
Organiser WHCCE
More information <http://www.worldcongress.com/events/HR09015/>

Title The Campbell Collaboration colloquium Conference on Better evidence for a better world
Date May 18–19, 2009
Place Oslo, Norway
More information <http://www.campbellcollaboration.org/Colloquium/Colloquium.shtml>

Title 5th International Conference theme: Social and Societal Influences on Equity in Health
Date June 9, 11 2009
Place Crete, Greece
Organiser International Society for Equity in Health (ISEqH)
Deadline abstracts February 28, 2009
More information <http://www.iseqh-conference2009.com/>

Title BIT Life Sciences' 2nd World Cancer Congress 2009
Gateway to Future Medicine
Date June 22-25, 2009
Place Beijing International Convention Center, China
More information <http://www.bitlifesciences.com/cancer2009>

Title 1st International student medical congress Kosice
Date 23-25 June 2009
Place Kosice, Slovakia
Organiser ISMCK
More information www.upjs.sk/ismck

Title Intervention mapping for HIV/AIDS prevention: designing theory-based and evidence-based programs

Date 29 June – 3 July 2009
Place Maastricht, the Netherlands
Organiser University of Maastricht
More information Ms Anja Ronken, anja.ronken@fd.unimaas.nl

Title Euroscience Open Forum (ESOF2010) Passion for Science
Date 2-7 July 2010
Place Torino, Italy
Deadline abstracts 15 June 2009
More information http://www.esof2010.org/media/call_sc_pr/data

Title Summer school on health law and ethics
Date 2nd/3rd week of July 2009
Place Rotterdam, the Netherlands
Organiser The Erasmus Observatory on Health Law
More information www.erasmusobservatoryonhealthlaw.nl

Title 2009 Summer School of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies
Date 26-31 July 2009
Place Venice, Italy
Organiser OBS
More information summerschool2009@obs.euro.who.int

Title The role of Health Promotion in the transition of the Nordic Welfare states
Date 20-22 August 2009
Place Gothenburg, Sweden
Organiser Nordic School of Public Health
Deadline abstracts March 1, 2009
More information www.nhv.se/HPconference2009

Title Swiss Public Health Conference: Gesundheitskompetenz
Date 27-28 August 2009
Place Zurich, Switzerland
Organiser Public Health Schweiz
Deadline abstracts 1 May 2009
More information www.public-health.ch

Title 26th International Conference of ISQua
Date 11-14 October 2009
Place Dublin, Ireland
Organiser International Society for Quality in Health Care
Deadline abstracts 16 February 2009
More information <http://www.isqua.org/Dublin2009-InternationalSocietyforQualityinHealthCareLtd.html>

Title 7th European Congress of Community Psychology
« Common values, diverse practices »
Date October 29th to Friday, October 30th, 2009
Place Paris France
Deadline abstracts 30 April 2009
More information www.eccp-paris2009.com

6. Interesting publications

Primary care quality management in Slovenia: Primary care in the WHO European Region.

Boerma WGW, Kringos DS, Verschuuren M., Pellny M., Bulc M.

WHO Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen, 2008; 83 pages.

A new report by WHO (DK) in collaboration with NIVEL (NL) on how Slovenia is making use of available know-how and resources to improve the quality of primary care services, following Slovenia's pilot testing of the new WHO Primary Care Quality Management Tool.

Further information on NIVEL's activities as a WHO Collaborating Centre is available at: www.nivel.eu

Primary care quality management in Uzbekistan: Primary care in the WHO European Region

Boerma WGW, Kringos DS, Verschuuren M., Pellny M., Baymirova L.

WHO Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen, 2008; 91 pages.

A new report by WHO (DK) in collaboration with NIVEL (NL) on Uzbekistan's participation in a pilot of the new WHO Primary Care Quality Management Tool. Its findings are followed by recommendations for policy action to improve the quality of primary care services in Uzbekistan.

Further information on NIVEL's activities as a WHO Collaborating Centre is available at: www.nivel.eu

The European APOLLO-project, 'Strategies and Best Practices for the Reduction of Injuries',

launched two reports on vulnerable road users. The first offers a comprehensive view on injuries to vulnerable road users and falls in pedestrians in the European Union, and the second is an evaluation report of an intervention on the prevention of child pedestrian injuries in Austria.

Both reports are available at:

<http://www.eurosafe.eu.com/csi/eurosafe2006.nsf/wwwVwContent/I3wp5vulnerableroadusers.htm>

<http://www.euroipn.org/apollo/WP5.htm>

European Perinatal Health Report

Visit our website to learn about the report and to download a free copy. To help you understand the media reaction to this landmark report, we are tracking and displaying all articles and video on this page. For more information, you can email the coordination team

(europersistat.coordination@gmail.com) or directly contact the official Scientific Committee

representative from your country. Contact information is provided on this page. www.europersistat.com

Healthcare in the UK

by Ian Greener.

For more information please see:

https://www.policypress.org.uk/catalog/product_info.php?cPath=10054&products_id=679

Global Forum Update on Research for Health Volume 5

Fostering innovation for global health

Available online as a PDF file [155p.] at:

http://www.globalforumhealth.org/filesupld/global_update5/Update5_FullDoc.pdf

Order a hard copy here, free of charge:

<http://www.globalforumhealth.org/hide/common/forms/orderpub/orderform.php>

A retrospective analysis of health systems in Denmark and Kaiser Permanente

Anne Frølich, Michaela L Schiøtz, Martin Strandberg-Larsen, John Hsu, Allan Krasnik, Finn

Diderichsen, Jim Bellows, Jes Søgaard, Karen White

BMC Health Services Research – December 2008

Available online at: <http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1472-6963-8-252.pdf>

Global Action for Health System Strengthening: Policy Recommendations to the G8 Task Force on Global Action for Health System Strengthening, January 16, 2009

Japan Center for International Exchange

The final report of the Working Group on Challenges in Global Health and Japan's Contributions was submitted to the Japanese and Italian governments in January 2009 for consideration for the 2009 G8 Summit agenda.

English: PDF file Full report [131p] at: <http://www.jcie.org/researchpdfs/takemi/full.pdf>

Healthy Societies: Addressing 21st Century Health Challenges

Prepared by Professor Ilona Kickbusch, Adelaide Thinker in Residence Department of the Premier and Cabinet. May 2008 - State of South Australia
Available online PDF [62p.] at: http://www.thinkers.sa.gov.au/images/Kickbusch_Final_Report.pdf

Improving Patient Safety in the EU Assessing the expected effects of three policy areas for future action

Annalijn Conklin, Anna-Marie Vilamovska, Han de Vries, Evi Hatziandreu
Health and Consumer Protection Commission (DG SANCO)
Available online PDF [148p.] at: http://www.rand.org/pubs/technical_reports/2008/RAND_TR596.pdf

Primary health care delivery models in rural and remote Australia a systematic review

John Wakerman, John S Humphreys
, Robert Wells , Pim Kuipers , Philip Entwistle and Judith Jones
BMC Health Services Research 2008, 8:276doi:10.1186/1472-6963-8-276. 29 December 2008
Available online as PDF file [31p.] at: <http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1472-6963-8-276.pdf>

Health Situation in the Americas - Basic Indicators 2008 Pan American Health Organization (PAHO/WHO)

Available online:
English:
http://devserver.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=308&Itemid=
Spanish:
http://devserver.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=307&Itemid=

Global-health research architecture—time for mergers?

John-Arne Røttingen, Paulo Marchiori Buss, Sally Davies, Oumar Touré
Department of Health, London, UK (SD); and Ministry of Health, Bamako, Mali (OT)
The Lancet, Volume 373, Issue 9659, 17 January 2009
Website: <http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/issue/current> [subscription required]

Tackling the burden of chronic diseases in the USA

The Lancet, Volume 373, Issue 9659, 17 January 2009
[http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736\(09\)60048-9/fulltext](http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(09)60048-9/fulltext)

Preventing Chronic Illness

Health Affairs, January/February 2009
Available free online at: <http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/full/28/1/36>

New series of policy briefs launched at WHO European Ministerial Conference Health Systems, Health and Wealth

A joint project between the Health Evidence Network and the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies World Health Organization
The briefs are available in English, French, German and Russian at
http://www.euro.who.int/HEN/policybriefs/20080814_2

Health systems and the challenge of communicable diseases. Experiences from Europe and Latin America

Open University Press. European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies series 2008
Editors: Richard Coker, Rifat Atun, Martin McKee
Available online [297p.] at: <http://www.euro.who.int/Document/E91946.pdf>

Scoping Literature Review of Collaboration between Primary Care and Public Health

Ruth Martin-Misener, Ruta Valaitis
A Report to the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation September 30, 2008
Available online PDF [38p.] at: <http://fhs.mcmaster.ca/nursing/docs/MartinMisener-Valaitis-Review.pdf>

The Remuneration of General Practitioners and Specialists in 14 OECD Countries: What are the Factors Influencing Variations across Countries?

Rie Fujisawa and Gaetan Lafortune J
Health Working Papers OECD Health Working Papers NO.41 December 2008
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
Available online PDF [63p.] at: <http://www.oecd.org/dataoecd/51/48/41925333.pdf>

Caring for people with chronic conditions. A health system perspective
Open University Press. European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies series, WHO 2008
Available online PDF [290p.] at: <http://www.euro.who.int/Document/E91878.pdf>

Historical Warnings of Future Food Insecurity with Unprecedented Seasonal Heat
David. S. Battisti and Rosamond L. Naylor
Science 9 January 2009: Vol. 323. no. 5911, pp. 240 – 244 DOI: 10.1126/science.1164363
Available online at: <http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/323/5911/240>

Integrated Health Care for People with Chronic Conditions
Oxman AD, Bjørndal A, Flottorp S, Lewin S. Lindahl AK.
Oslo: Norwegian Knowledge Centre for the Health Services, December 2008
The report, which is in English, can be downloaded at:
<http://www.kunnskapssenteret.no/Publikasjoner/5114.cms>
Download: <http://www.kunnskapssenteret.no/binary?download=true&id=7746>

Evidence Informed Health Policy
This series of articles provides support for the use of research evidence in developing health policies
Evidence-informed health policy 4 - Case descriptions of organizations that support the use of research evidence
John N Lavis, Ray Moynihan, Andrew D Oxman, Elizabeth J Paulsen
Implementation Science 2008, 3:56 (17 December 2008)
Available online PDF at: <http://www.implementationscience.com/content/pdf/1748-5908-3-56.pdf>

Managing chronic conditions: Experience in eight countries
Editors: Ellen Nolte, Cécile Knai, Martin McKee,
World Health Organization 2008, on behalf of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies. WHO Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen, Denmark
Full text of the book [PDF 1MB -202p.] at: <http://www.euro.who.int/Document/E92058.pdf>

Effective Dissemination of Findings from Research – a compilation of essays
Foreword, Egon Jonsson
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[Midwifery Education Modules. Second Edition](#)

A set of 6 training manuals developed to equip midwives with essential life-saving skills.

[Exposure Assessment of Microbiological Hazards in Food - Guidelines](#)

Exposure assessment is one of the four steps of microbiological risk assessment, which include hazard identification, exposure assessment, hazard characterization and risk characterization.

[Anti-Tuberculosis Drug Resistance in the World. Fourth Global Report](#)

This fourth global report is based on information collected between 2002 and 2006 on 90 000 TB patients in 81 countries.

[A Practical Handbook on the Pharmacovigilance of Antimalarial Medicines](#)

This handbook is a detailed manual giving a step by step approach to undertaking the pharmacovigilance of antimalarials.

[Guidelines for the Programmatic Management of Drug-resistant Tuberculosis](#)

The guidelines offer updated recommendations for the diagnosis and management of drug-resistant tuberculosis in a variety of geographical, economic and social settings, and the recording of data that enables the monitoring and evaluation of programmes.

[Operational Guidelines for the Management of Opioid Dependence in the South-East Asia Region](#)

These practical guidelines aim to assist physicians and drug treatment professionals in establishing and delivering evidence-based, good quality, effective OST services in South-East Asia.

[Management of Common Health Problems of Drug Users](#)

These clinical guidelines offer guidance on the provision of primary health care to drug users and focus on the clinical management of common medical problems associated with drug use, in particular, injecting drug use in the presence or absence of HIV infection.

[Implications of SAFTA on Tobacco Trade and Public Health in the SAARC Region](#)

This document lists ways in which trade in tobacco products can be managed under SAFTA in the context of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control.

[Health Situation in the South-East Asia Region: 2001-2007](#)

This publication presents the health situation in the Member States, as reflected by epidemiological data, primarily covering the period 2001-2007.

[Health in Asia and the Pacific](#)

This publication provides a narrative of many aspects of the current health situation in the Region, supported by the statistical data.

[2008 Report on the Global AIDS Epidemic](#)

Extensively illustrated with graphs and charts this biennial report presents concise but comprehensive summaries of major issues in the global AIDS response.

BOOKS IN FRENCH

[Rapport sur l'épidémie mondiale de SIDA 2008](#)

Largement illustré de graphiques, diagrammes et tableaux, ce rapport biennal présente des synthèses concises mais complètes des principaux aspects de la riposte mondiale au sida.

[Considérations éthiques relative aux essais de méthodes biomédicales de prévention du VIH](#)

Ce document propose des normes et peut servir de guide pour l'élaboration de directives nationales sur la conduite des essais de méthodes biomédicales de prévention du VIH.

[Prévenir l'épuisement des dispensateurs de soins](#)

Le présent document envisage la réponse susceptible d'être apportée à l'épuisement des dispensateurs de soins.

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En este práctico manual se proporciona una panorámica general de la utilización de pruebas rápidas contra la sífilis, su adquisición, transporte y almacenamiento.

[Informe sobre la epidemia mundial de SIDA 2008](#)

Este informe bianual, ilustrado ampliamente con gráficos y tablas, presenta resúmenes concisos pero integrales de los asuntos primordiales en la respuesta mundial al SIDA.

[Consideraciones éticas en los ensayos biomédicos de prevención del VIH](#)

Se sugieren criterios y procesos para configurar el desarrollo de pautas nacionales para llevar a cabo ensayos biomédicos de prevención del VIH.

[Prevención del desgaste del cuidador](#)

Este documento analiza cómo se puede evitar el desgaste del cuidador.