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1. 7th European Public Health Conference, Glasgow

The 7th European Public Health Conference will be held in Glasgow, Scotland from 19 to 22 November 2014. The theme for the conference is ***Mind the gap: reducing inequalities in health and health care.***

GLASGOW: THE PLACE TO BE!

Keynote programme

We are very pleased to have the following keynote speakers/panelists and moderators confirmed:

- Raj Bhopal, UK
- Vesna Bjegovic-Mikanovic, ASPHER (moderator)
- Marine Buissonniere, OSI
- Simon Capewell, UK
- Josep Figueras, European Observatory (moderator)
- Anders Foldspang, Denmark (panelist)
- Abdul Ghaffar, WHO
- Zsuzsana Jakab, WHO Europe
- Alastair Leyland, Chair of the 7th European Public Health Conference
- Johan Mackenbach, The Netherlands
- Jose Martin-Moreno, Spain (moderator)
- Margaret McCartney, UK
- Martin McKee, UK (moderator)
- Jacqueline Müller-Nordhorn, Germany (panelist)
- Iveta Nagyova, Slovakia (panelist)
- Walter Ricciardi, EUPHA
- Carlo Signorelli, Chair of the 8th European Public Health Conference 2015
- Marc Sprenger, ECDC
- Louise Stjernberg, Sweden (panelist)
- Aura Timen, The Netherlands (panelist)

Abstract and workshop submission

Don't miss the opportunity to present your work to the largest public health audience in Europe. Abstract submission is still open for 6 days, so hurry up and go to:

http://www.eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php?conference_page=398

Please check the conference website at www.eupha.org/glasgow2014 regularly for updated information.

2. EUPHA update

EUPHA Collaboration

- **Seminar: The international dimension in comparative health services research**
The EUPHA Section on Health Services Research is co-organising the HSR-Europe meeting 'The

international dimension in comparative health services research', to be held at NIVEL offices on 15-16 May 2014 in Utrecht, the Netherlands.

- **LEPH2014: The 2nd International Conference on law Enforcement and Public Health**
EUPHA is supporting the 2nd International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health (LEPH2014). The conference will be held at the Free University, Amsterdam, 5 – 8 October 2014. The conference is organised by the Centre for Law Enforcement and Public Health (CLEPH), Melbourne, Australia in collaboration with the Free University, Police, and Public Health Services, Amsterdam, Netherlands. More information: www.leph2014.com

Granada Declaration

This 5th European Conference on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health, co-organised by EUPHA was a great and very successful conference with about 350 participants. A big thank you to the local organisers at the Andalusian School of Public Health.

During the conference, the [Granada Declaration](#) was accepted with full support from EUPHA calling European governments to protect the health of migrants and ethnic minorities in Europe.

Update EU Summit on Chronic Diseases

EUPHA was represented at this important meeting by Dr Iveta Nagyova, president of the EUPHA section on chronic diseases. The presentations and video recordings of the sessions as well as the conference conclusions have been uploaded on the website of the event:

http://ec.europa.eu/health/major_chronic_diseases/events/ev_20140403_en.htm

EJPH: Why the European Journal of Public Health will no longer publish tobacco industry-supported research

Martin McKee and Peter Allebeck

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[\[Extract\]](#)

3. Call for proposals, job opportunities

Call for Papers: Special issue on Communication Technology, Media Use and the Health of Our Kids

Deadline: 15 July 2014

[The International Journal of Public Health](#) invites authors to submit papers (Original Articles, Brief Reports, or Reviews) that explore the impact of new media technologies and communication platforms on health and health-related behaviours of children, and the social contexts with which this media is used. While we invite a broad range of topics and perspectives, papers that address issues of social inequality and cultural diversity are particularly welcome. Manuscripts can be submitted online through the Journal's website: <http://www.springer.com/public+health/journal/38> Authors should mention that the submission refers to this Call.

4. Interesting News

7 April: World Health Day - small bite: big threat

Mosquitoes, flies, ticks and bugs may be a threat to your health – and that of your family - at home and when travelling. This is the message of this year's World Health Day, on 7 April.

<http://www.who.int/campaigns/world-health-day/2014/en/>

Health inequalities in the EU -- Final report of a consortium

A report has been published outlining new evidence on health inequalities in the European Union (EU) and the policy response at EU and national level to health inequalities since 2009.

The report:

- *Confirms significant inequalities in health between and within EU Member States, which for the most part are similar to those identified in 'Health inequalities: Europe in profile' (2006). Some*

inequalities have increased, while others have decreased, suggesting that significant headway has not been made in the EU in reducing health inequalities.

- *Demonstrates marked differences in the social determinants of health – in turn caused by the existence of marked social inequalities – across EU Member States and inequalities in health between social groups based on these determinants.*
- *Examines the factors causing health inequalities.* Like the [WHO CSDH](#), this report agrees that health inequalities result from social inequalities in the conditions of daily life and their fundamental drivers (e.g. early childhood, employment conditions, social spending and protection, etc.) that give rise to them.
- *Presents research showing the policy response to health inequalities in EU member states and regions.* Countries' responses are characterised as having a: 1) Relatively positive and active response, 2) Variable response, 3) Relatively undeveloped response to health inequalities. These results, including those showing that serious headway has not been made in tackling health inequalities in EU countries, justify the headline conclusion of the [WHO Europe report](#) which was that all countries can *do something* to improve the social determinants of health, *do more*, or *do better* with their existing policies and spending. Worryingly, the research suggests a widening of the policy response across EU member states since 2006.
- *Provides a comprehensive set of recommendations for the European Commission, and individual member states and regions.*

The report was co-ordinated by the UCL Institute for Health Equity, and a chapter on EU member state policy responses to health inequalities was provided by [EuroHealthNet](#). To download the report: http://ec.europa.eu/health/social_determinants/docs/healthinequalitiesineu_2013_en.pdf

Call Dutch Heart Foundation: Sign the Statement on the introduction of plain packaging!

Together with a variety of other stakeholders, the Dutch Heart Foundation fights the battle for a tobacco free society. Smoking is one of the most important modifiable risk factors for the development of cardiovascular disease. Within the European Union thousands of people die each year because of cardiovascular diseases caused by smoking. The Dutch Heart Foundation and the European Heart Network (EHN) have drafted a statement advocating the introduction of legislation on plain packaging - neutral tobacco product packaging. By signing the statement you help putting plain packaging on the agenda and possibly with the realization of plain packaging legislation throughout Europe. Plain packaging is an effective method to reduce the appeal of cigarettes, to make quitting smoking easier, and to have less young people start smoking altogether. Sign the statement on www.hartstichting.nl/rookvrij.

WFPHA: March newsletter

The March issue of the WFPHA newsletter is now available. To read the newsletter, [click here](#)

A European Social Union - 10 tough nuts to crack

Friends of Europe – an independent think-tank for EU policy analysis and debate – has asked Frank Vandenbroucke and Bart Vanhercke to write a report on '*A European Social Union: 10 tough nuts to crack*'. The report argues that we need a coherent conception of a 'European Social Union'. It provides a comprehensive survey of the development of the social dimension in European cooperation, and defines ten key questions that have to be tackled with a view to developing this Social Union. *Friends of Europe* has convened a High-Level Working Group to tackle some of these issues in the course of 2014, with the ambition to take the EU's social dimension out of its 'specialist-only' corner and to bring these social concerns to the top of the political agenda. Download the full background report [here](#).

5. EUPHA members update

Netherlands Public Health Federation: www.nphf.nl

Hans Baaijens, director of the NPHF, will leave the NPHF on the 1st of July. He will be replaced by Thomas Ploch, who has worked for the NPHF since 2008 as senior policy officer. We would like to thank Hans for his support for EUPHA and wish him a wonderful (early) retirement.

French Society of Public Health: www.sfsp.fr

Parution du N°1 janvier-février 2014 de la *Revue Santé publique*
<http://www.sfsp.fr/santepublique/accueil.php>

Parution du rapport d'étude : «QUELLES CONNAISSANCES ET QUELLES REFLEXIONS DES ACTEURS DE SANTE PUBLIQUE SUR LES ENJEUX DE LA TRANSFUSION SANGUINE EN FRANCE?»
Enquête menée par la SFSP auprès de son réseau. Lire le rapport

6. Upcoming courses and conferences



Going International promotes training and further education for experts and newcomers in public health and humanitarian assistance around the globe. The flagship of Going International is the online education database »medicine & health«. It contains international courses, master programmes and conferences in the field of medicine and international health. Due to the large number and variety of training events the education database enables health professionals to find their educational event at their fingertips. For further information: www.goinginternational.eu/en/online-datenbank/ Going International is an official partner of EUPHA.

Title: **[European Patients' Rights Day 2014: The role of citizens' organisations in the empowerment of patients with chronic diseases](#)**

Date / location: 12 May 2014 - 13 May 2014 / Brussels, Belgium
Organiser: Active Citizenship Network

Title: **[Women's Health and Well-being in Europe: Protecting Rights, Preventing Inequalities](#)**

Date / location: 13 May 2014 / Brussels, Belgium
Organiser: Public Policy Exchange

Title: **[Medizinische Statistik für Nicht - StatistikerInnen](#)**

Date / location: 14 May 2014 - 15 May 2014 / Krems, Austria
Organiser: Danube University Krems

Title: **[Multilevel Modeling: Analysis of Clustered Data](#)**

Date / location: 14 May 2014 - 16 May 2014 / Basel, Switzerland
Organiser: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health

Title: **[Legionnaires disease- exploring the implications of the new HSE ACoP](#)**

Date / location: 15 May 2014 /
Organiser: Royal Society for Public Health

Title: **[Systematic Reviews and Meta - Analysis: a Practical Approach](#)**

Date / location: 19 May 2014 - 21 May 2014 / Bern, Switzerland
Organiser: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health

Title: **[Infectious diseases in Europe: HIV and Hepatitis](#)**

Date / location: 2 Jun 2014 - 4 Jun 2014 / Porto, Portugal
Organiser: ISPUP

Title: **[Colloque APEMAC - Chronic diseases, adaptation and perceived health, stakes and future](#)**

Date / location: 3 Jun 2014 - 6 Jun 2014 / Nancy, France
Organiser: Faculté de Médecine, Université de Lorraine

Title: **3 - Day Certificate Course “Modeling Approaches for HTA: a Practical Hands - On Workshop”**
Date / location: 5 Jun 2014 - 7 Jun 2014 / Antwerp, Belgium
Organiser: UMIT

Title: **Meta - Analysen für Nicht - StatistikerInnen**
Date / location: 6 Jun 2014 / Krems, Austria
Organiser: Danube University Krems

Title: **Netzwerktagung: Gesundheit partizipativ gestalten, fördern und erforschen**
Date / location: 17 Jun 2014 - 18 Jun 2014 / Graz, Austria
Organiser: FH Joanneum

Title: **Observational Epidemiological Studies: Advanced Methods for Data Analysis**
Date / location: 23 Jun 2014 - 27 Jun 2014 / Basel, Switzerland
Organiser: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health

Title: **Outbreak investigations and management course**
Date / location: 23 Jun 2014 - 27 Jun 2014 / Singapore, Singapore
Organiser: IIDE

Title: **Unlocking the Potential of Migrants in Europe: From Isolation to Multi-level Integration**
Date / location: 2 Jul 2014 / Brussels, Belgium
Organiser: Public Policy Exchange

Title: **Global Health Summer School - Health by System: The Role of Health Systems**
Date / location: 13 Jul 2014 - 18 Jul 2014 / Barcelona, Spain
Organiser: Barcelona Institute for Global Health

Title: **Mobilising Local Health Promotion Systems for Equity - Taking up the challenge of the social determinants of health**
Date / location: 20 Jul 2014 - 1 Aug 2014 / Rennes, France
Organiser: EHESP

Title: **ERASMUS Summer Programme 2 014**
Date / location: 11 Aug 2014 - 29 Aug 2014 / Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Organiser: Erasmus university

Title: **WIS 2014 – safe and secure cities**
Date / location: 18 Aug 2014 - 20 Aug 2014 / Turku, Finland
Organiser: University of Turku and the Baltic Region Healthy Cities Association

Title: **1st European Conference on Donor Health and Management**
Date / location: 3 Sep 2014 - 5 Sep 2014 / The Hague, The Netherlands
Organiser: Sanquin Blood Supply

Title: **10th Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA) Conference: Dignity, rights and quality: towards a health care revolution**
Date / location: 3 Sep 2014 - 6 Sep 2014 / Polokwane, South Africa
Organiser: PHASA

Title: **Qualitative Research in Health: An Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods**
Date / location: 10 Sep 2014 - 12 Sep 2014 / Basel, Switzerland
Organiser: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health

Title: [5th International Public Health Summer School - Primary Health Care: Quality and Performance](#)

Date / location: 15 Sep 2014 - 20 Sep 2014 / Graz, Austria

Organiser: Medical University Graz

Title: [16th International Summer School 2014: Burden of Infectious Diseases: Epidemiology, Population Health, and Mathematical Modelling](#)

Date / location: 22 Sep 2014 - 26 Sep 2014 / Bielefeld, Germany

Organiser: University of Bielefeld

Title: [6th International Summer School 2014: Spatial Epidemiology and Climate Change: Concepts and Modelling](#)

Date / location: 22 Sep 2014 - 26 Sep 2014 / Bielefeld, Germany

Organiser: University of Bielefeld

Title: [Permanente Verfügbarkeit in der Arbeits- und Lebenswelt – Risiken und Chancen](#)

Date / location: 24 Sep 2014 - 26 Sep 2014 / Erlangen, Germany

Organiser: DGMS and partners

7. European Journal of Public Health

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Editorials

Public health and the Transatlantic trade and investment partnership

Holly Jarman, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 181, [\[Extract\]](#)

Why the European Journal of Public Health will no longer publish tobacco industry-supported research

Martin McKee and Peter Allebeck, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 182, [\[Extract\]](#)

Letters to the Editor

Suicides, hurricanes and economic crisis

Julian Librero, Andreu Segura, and Lopez-Valcarcel Beatriz, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 183, [\[Extract\]](#)

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James Lopez Bernal, Antonio Gasparrini, Carlos Artundo, and Martin McKee, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 183-184, [\[Extract\]](#)

The realisation of a European health information system—time to get the politicians involved

Nicole Rosenkötter, Helmut Brand, Martin McKee, Neil Riley, Arpana Verma, and Marieke Verschuuren, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 184-185, [\[Extract\]](#)

Obesity, physical activity

Risk of child obesity from parental obesity: analysis of repeat national cross-sectional surveys

Philip McLoone and David S. Morrison, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 186-190, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Mary Anne T. Dallat, Isabelle Soerjomataram, Ruth F. Hunter, Mark A. Tully, Karen J. Cairns, and Frank Kee, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 190-195, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Using threshold messages to promote physical activity: implications for public perceptions of health effects

Emily C. L. Knox, Oliver J. Webb, Dale W. Eslinger, Stuart J. H. Biddle, and Lauren B. Sherar, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 195-199, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Educational inequalities in leisure-time physical activity in 15 European countries
Stefaan Demarest, Herman Van Oyen, Albert-Jan Roskam, Bianca Cox, Enrique Regidor, Johan P. Mackenbach, and Anton E. Kunst, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 199-204, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Association of physical activity, waist circumference and body mass index with subjective health among Belgian adults
Melinda Asztalos, Inge Huybrechts, Elisabeth Temme, Herman Van Oyen, and Stefanie Vandevijvere, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 205-209, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Trends of overweight and obesity, physical activity and sedentary behaviour in Czech schoolchildren: HBSC study
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Cardiovascular disease

Anthropometric measures in relation to risk of heart failure hospitalization: a Swedish population-based cohort study
Yan Borné, Bo Hedblad, Birgitta Essén, and Gunnar Engström, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 215-220, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Quality of life in a cohort of familial hypercholesterolemia patients from the south of Europe
Nelva Mata, Rodrigo Alonso, Jose R. Banegas, Daniel Zambón, Ángel Brea, and Pedro Mata, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 221-225, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Not smoking is associated with lower risk of hypertension: results of the Olivetti Heart Study
Lanfranco D'Elia, Daniela De Palma, Giovanni Rossi, Viviana Strazzullo, Ornella Russo, Roberto Iacone, Valeria Fazio, Pasquale Strazzullo, and Ferruccio Galletti, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 226-230, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Educational and homeownership inequalities in stroke incidence: a population-based longitudinal study of mid-aged women
Caroline A. Jackson, Mark Jones, and Gita D. Mishra, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 231-236, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Cold-related cardiorespiratory symptoms among subjects with and without hypertension: the National FINRISK Study 2002
Tiina M. Ikäheimo, Taru Lehtinen, Riitta Antikainen, Jari Jokelainen, Simo Näyhä, Juhani Hassi, Sirkka Keinänen-Kiukaanniemi, Tiina Laatikainen, Pekka Jousilahti, and Jouni J.K. Jaakkola, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 237-243, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Anitta H. Entonen, Sakari B. Suominen, Katariina Korkeila, Pekka T. Mäntyselkä, Lauri H. Sillanmäki, Ansa Ojanlatva, Päivi T. Rautava, and Markku J. Koskenvuo, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 244-248, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Parity, age at first birth and risk of death from kidney cancer: a population-based cohort study in Taiwan
Hui-Fen Chiu, Chien-Chun Kuo, Hsin-Wei Kuo, I.-Ming Lee, and Chun-Yuh Yang, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 249-252, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Cytology use for cervical cancer screening in Portugal: results from the 2005/2006 National Health Survey
Mariana Oliveira, Bárbara Peleteiro, and Nuno Lunet, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 253-258, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Breast cancer screening implementation and reassurance
Jenny Østerø, Volkert Siersma, and John Brodersen, *Eur J Public Health* 2014 24: 258-263, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Awareness and uptake of colorectal, breast, cervical and prostate cancer screening tests in Spain

Pilar Carrasco-Garrido, Valentin Hernandez-Barrera, Ana Lopez de Andres, Isabel Jimenez-Trujillo, Carmen Gallardo Pino, and Rodrigo Jimenez-Garcia, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 264-270, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Widening educational differences in cancer survival in Norway
Håkon Kravdal, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 270-275, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Using multiple measures to assess changes in social inequalities for breast cancer screening
Françoise Renard, Stefaan Demarest, Herman Van Oyen, and Jean Tafforeau, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 275-280, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Barbara Pacelli, Elisa Carretta, Teresa Spadea, Nicola Caranci, Enza Di Felice, Elisa Stivanello, Silvio Cavuto, Luca Cisbani, Silvia Candela, Rossana De Palma, and Maria P. Fantini, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 280-285, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Risk factors for diagnosed intentional self-injury: a total population-based study
Birgit Modén, Henrik Ohlsson, Juan Merlo, and Maria Rosvall, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 286-291, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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A. Bocquier, S. Cortaredona, C. Boutin, A. David, A. Bigot, V. Sciortino, S. Nauleau, J. Gaudart, R. Giorgi, and P. Verger, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 298-303, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Vaccine uptake determinants in The Netherlands
Alies van Lier, Jan van de Kasstelee, Pieter de Hoogh, Ingrid Drijfhout, and Hester de Melker, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 304-309, [\[Abstract\]](#)

Kicking against the pricks: vaccine sceptics have a different social orientation
Jeroen Luyten, Pieter Desmet, Veronica Dorgali, Niel Hens, and Philippe Beutels, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 310-314, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Margot I. Witvliet, Onyebuchi A. Arah, Karien Stronks, and Anton E. Kunst, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 314-321, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Ana Paula Simões-Wüst, Ischa Kummeling, Monique Mommers, Machteld A.S. Huber, Lukas Rist, Lucy P.L. van de Vijver, Pieter C. Dagnelie, and Carel Thijs, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 321-327, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Anne Illemann Christensen, Ola Ekholm, Charlotte Glümer, and Knud Juel, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 327-332, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Naim Jerliu, Genc Burazeri, Ervin Toçi, Gertrudis I. J. M. Kempen, Wesley Jongen, Naser Ramadani, and Helmut Brand, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 333-337, [\[Abstract\]](#)

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Hanna Tolonen, Päivikki Koponen, Jennifer Mindell, Satu Männistö, and Kari Kuulasmaa, Eur J Public Health 2014 24: 338-344, [[Abstract](#)]

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Madelief Mollers, Karin Lubbers, Symen K Spoelstra, Willibrord CM Weijmar-Schultz, Toos Daemen, Tjalke A Westra, Marianne AB van der Sande, Hans W Nijman, Hester E de Melker and Adriana Tami
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/288>

Mothers impose physical activity restrictions on their asthmatic children and adolescents: an analytical cross-sectional study

Fabianne MNA Dantas, Marco AV Correia, Almerinda R Silva, Décio M Peixoto, Emanuel SC Sarinho and José A Rizzo
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/287/abstract#>

Trends in socioeconomic inequalities in amenable mortality in urban areas of Spanish cities, 1996-2007

Andreu Nolasco, José Antonio Quesada, Joaquín Moncho, Inmaculada Melchor, Pamela Pereyra-Zamora, Nayara Tamayo-Fonseca, Miguel Angel Martínez-Beneito and Oscar Zurriaga
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/299/abstract>

Measuring the health systems impact of disease control programmes: a critical reflection on the WHO building blocks framework

Sandra Mounier-Jack, Ulla K Griffiths, Svea Closser, Helen Burchett and Bruno Marchal
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/278/abstract>

Social relationship correlates of major depressive disorder and depressive symptoms in Switzerland: nationally representative cross sectional study

Steven D Barger, Nadine Messerli-Bürgy and Jürgen Barth
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/273/abstract>

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www.cairn.info/revue-sante-publique-2014-1-page-5.htm.

Can gender difference in prescription drug use be explained by gender-related morbidity?: a study on a Swedish population during 2006

Jessica Skoog, Patrik Midlöv, Lars Borgquist, Jan Sundquist and Anders Halling
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/329/abstract#>

Stress-related eating, obesity and associated behavioural traits in adolescents: a prospective population-based cohort study

Anne Jääskeläinen, Nina Nevanperä, Jouko Remes, Fanni Rahkonen, Marjo-Riitta Järvelin and Jaana Laitinen
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/321/abstract#>

Are psychosocial stressors associated with the relationship of alcohol consumption and all-cause mortality?

Esther Ruf, Jens Baumert, Christa Meisinger, Angela Döring, Karl-Heinz Ladwig and for the MONICA/KORA investigators

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/312>

Sick leave and the impact of job-to-job mobility on the likelihood of remaining on the labour market - a longitudinal Swedish register study

Karin Nordström, Kerstin Ekberg, Tomas Hemmingsson and Gun Johansson

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/305/abstract>

Does the primary screening test influence women's anxiety and intention to screen for cervical cancer? A randomized survey of Norwegian women

Emily A Burger, Mari Nygård, Dorte Gyrd-Hansen, Tron Anders Moger and Ivar Sonbo Kristiansen

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/360/abstract>

Trends in television time, non-gaming PC use and moderate-to-vigorous physical activity among German adolescents 2002-2010

Jens Bucksch, Joanna Inchley, Zdenek Hamrik Emily Finne, Petra Kolip and the HBSC Study Group Germany

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/14/351>

South Eastern European Journal of Public Health

The first issue of the South Eastern European Journal of Public Health (SEEJPH) is now available at:

<http://www.seejph.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/SEEJPH-2014-01.pdf>

9. European Commission news

The EU Health Prize for Journalists has selected its winners for a fifth consecutive year!

The winners were announced by Health Commissioner, Mr Tonio Borg, at an award ceremony in Brussels on the 8th of April. Out of more than 850 articles entered into the competition, 28 national finalists were chosen by juries in each EU country. Amidst the shortlist of 28 excellent articles, the winners are:

1st place: Henk Blanken writing for Dagblad van het Noorden (the Netherlands) for his article "Carel's Head", a story which follows a young man suffering from Parkinson's disease from diagnosis to treatment, and gives a detailed and emotional account of the pioneering surgery he receives.

2nd place: Christiane Hawranek and Marco Maurer, writing for Die Zeit (Germany) for their sharp, 'documentary-style' article "The Patient Traffickers" which highlights dubious practices in non-regulated medical care across borders.

3rd place: Mette Dahlgaard writing for the Berlingske newspaper (Denmark) for "Am I Killing Someone?", the story of a sperm donor who discovers that he carries the gene for a highly hereditary form of cancer, but hits a brick wall when he tries to find a way of warning potential children who could be affected.

You can find more information on the winners in the Journalist's Prize website: http://ec.europa.eu/health-eu/journalist_prize/2013/winners/index_en.htm

EU in the world [Global Health Policy Forum, Brussels, 20 March 2014 - Access to Medicines](#)

Presentations available

European Structural and Investment Funds [Commission Guide for health investments under ESIF \(European Structural and Investment Funds\) 2014-2020](#)

Expert Panel [2nd Working Group meeting on Future EU agenda on quality of health care, 14 March 2014](#)
Minutes of the meeting

Healthcare [Communication from the Commission on effective, accessible and resilient health systems](#)

Health-EU Newsletter ['EU committed to action on chronic diseases'](#) Editorial by Tonio Borg, EU Commissioner for Health

Health Programme [Establishment of a third Programme for the Union's action in the field of health \(2014-2020\)](#) Regulation (EU) No 282/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council

Medical devices [Public consultations on Medical Device Single Audit Program and on the Software as a Medical Device](#). The International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF) has launched public consultations on Medical Device Single Audit Program and on the Software as a Medical Device. Closing date: 31.5 2014

Medicinal products for human use [Commission supplements legislation on post-authorisation efficacy studies for medicines](#)

Patient safety [Meeting of the Patient Safety and Quality of Care Working Group](#) Agenda, list of attendees, presentations

Preparedness and response [Ebola traveller advice leaflet published by European Center for Disease Prevention and Control](#) Available in all EU languages

Preparedness and response [Joint purchasing of vaccines and medicines becomes a reality in the EU](#)

10. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news

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Resistance mechanism in azole-resistant environmental isolates of *A. fumigatus* in northern Italy the same as in clinical isolates from several European and Asian countries

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Azole-resistant *Aspergillus fumigatus* in the environment of northern Italy, May 2011 to June 2012

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Decreasing incidence and changes in serotype distribution of invasive pneumococcal disease in persons aged under 18 years since introduction of 10-valent and 13-valent conjugate vaccines in Portugal, July 2008 to June 2012

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Results of surveillance for infections with Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) of serotype O104:H4 after the large outbreak in Germany, July to December 2011

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20760>

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Two decades of successes and failures in controlling the transmission of HIV through injecting drug use in England and Wales, 1990 to 2011

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20762>

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European Scientific Conference on Applied Infectious Disease Epidemiology (ESCAIDE) - save the date

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20769>

EFSA launches call for expressions of interest for Scientific Committee and Scientific Panels

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20767>

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Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 13, 3 April 2014

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Chikungunya outbreak in the Caribbean region, December 2013 to March 2014, and the significance for Europe
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Infectious diseases prioritisation for event-based surveillance at the European Union level for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20770>

Comparison of diagnostic clinical samples and environmental sampling for enterovirus and parechovirus surveillance in Scotland, 2010 to 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20772>

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Measles on a cruise ship: links with the outbreak in the Philippines

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11. WHO news

[New data on antibiotic use in European Region](#)

20-03-2014 WHO/Europe and the University of Antwerp, Belgium have made the first collection and analysis of data on antibiotic use in 13 countries and areas in eastern Europe and central Asia. This research is vital to address the challenge of antibiotic resistance.

[Four-fold difference in antibiotic consumption across the European Region – new WHO report](#) 17-03-2014

A new report¹ published in The Lancet Infectious Diseases on 20 March 2014, is the first to release data on total antibiotic consumption for countries outside the European Union (EU). The data (from 2011) indicate an almost fourfold difference between the lowest and the highest antibiotic users among 42 countries and regions in the WHO European Region (within and outside the EU), and provide a clear picture of the use of different groups of antibiotics.

[WHO revising sugar guidelines](#) 06-03-2014 WHO is holding a public consultation on draft guidelines on sugar intake on 5–31 March 2014; it is open to anyone submitting a declaration of interest. After the consultation and peer review, the guidelines will be finalized; they will provide countries with recommendations on limiting the consumption of sugars to reduce public health problems such as obesity and dental caries.

WHO Country updates

[Tajikistan moves quickly to prevent a polio outbreak](#) 31-03-2014

[Young TB scientists annual conference in Russian Federation](#) 19-03-2014

[WHO and the International Agency for Research on Cancer advise Belarus on tackling NCDs](#) 27-02-2014