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## SEASONAL GREETINGS From EUPHA office



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## 1. European Public Health Conference

### Glasgow 2014

Full video recordings of all plenary sessions are now available at [EPHConference Glasgow 2014 videocasts](#)

Pictures at: [EPHConference Glasgow 2014 pictures](#)

### Milan 2015

The 8th EPH Conference will be held from 14 to 17 October 2015 at the new Milano Congressi (MiCo), Milan, Italy. The theme for the 8th EPH Conference is Health in Europe - from global to local: policies, methods and practices. This theme was chosen to encourage discussion on what the role of Europe is at global level and what the impact of global health issues is on European, national, regional and local level. In times of global interdependence and interconnectedness, a new vision from Europe on its role, leadership and collaboration in health is much needed. Through five plenary sessions, organised by international partners in the EPH Conference, this new vision is further elaborated:

- 'Global public health: what is expected from Europe?', organised by the initiator of the conference EUPHA (European Public Health Association)
- 'Healthy people, healthy planet', organised by EuroHealthNet, looks at current societal trends and global developments and their impact on people's health and wellbeing;
- 'Cross border health threats and health care', organised by the European Commission;
- 'Learning from each other, best practices at local level' is organized by the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, and addresses the need for information exchange at local and practice level;
- 'The global public health professional' is about the expectations of the public health professional in a global environment and organised by ASPHER (Association of Schools of Public Health in the European Region)

### Abstract submission:

The parallel programme reflects on a wide array of public health issues and ways of solving these issues at global, European, national, regional and local level. The parallel programme is set up with single abstracts (oral presentation, pitch presentation, poster) and workshops. Abstracts and workshops can be submitted via the EPH Conference website **from 1 February-1 May 2015**. Detailed instructions can be found as of 15 January on [www.ephconference.eu](http://www.ephconference.eu).

## 2. EUPHA update

### EUPHAnxt

Giacomo Scaioli, from the University of Turin, Italy, just finished his last day at the EUPHA office. He was an intern at the office from July to December. During his internship, he was the EUPHAnxt coordinator and assisted in all activities at EUPHA office and the EPH Conference office. We are very happy to inform you that he will continue as EUPHAnxt coordinator and would like to thank him for his wonderful contribution during the 5 months internship.

### WFPHA Newsletter December 2014 - special issue on Ebola

Special Issue on the Ebola Outbreak at <http://www.wfpha.org/publications/newsle...>

## **EUPHA calls on European governments to move rapidly to implement standardised packaging for cigarettes**

On 2 December 2014, EUPHA published a statement on plain packaging for cigarettes. EUPHA believes that the case for introducing standardised packaging for cigarettes is now overwhelming and calls on Europe's governments to implement it without delay as part of their tobacco control programmes. [Read the press release [here](#)]

## **3. Call for proposals, job opportunities**

### **Call for tender Chafea/2014/Health/25**

#### **Call for tender N° Chafea/2014/Health/25 concerning the study on the services to be provided by the European reference networks and its members**

The objective of this call for tender is to perform a study on the services to be provided by the European reference networks (ERNs) and its members. The study aims to support the implementation and functioning of the networks by identifying the possible sets of services to be provided by the members of a network when they act as such, as well as those to be provided by the network itself, including the cost calculation of the identified services and the relevant networking elements. Based on expert consultation and desk research, the study will help establish the following necessary inputs to the functioning of ERNs, ideally categorised in homogeneous sets or groups:

- a) patient cases: a set of possible 'real' cases of patients to be treated or consulted within a network. These selected/proposed cases should address different types of conditions and problems;
- b) activities (including activities as part of services such as 'diagnostic consultations' offered) relevant to the sets of patient cases defined under (a) related with the networking dimension. That would include a complete set of services and activities, including but not limited to coordination activities; virtual clinical or tumour boards; telemedicine, tele-consultation; professional advice, etc.;
- c) resources (human, material, structural, etc.) and cost categories (staff cost, overheads, software, hardware, etc.) relevant to the defined sets of activities defined under (b);
- d) cost drivers for all activities identified under b) and resources identified under c).

Deadline: 30 January 2015

<http://ec.europa.eu/chafea/health/tender...>

## **4. Interesting News**

### **Obese lose up to eight years of life**

Being severely obese can knock up to eight years off your life and cause decades of ill health, a report says.

The analysis showed being obese at a young age was more damaging to health and life expectancy. The team, at the University of Montreal in Canada, said heart problems and type 2 diabetes were major sources of disability and death.

<http://www.bbc.com/news/health-30327777>

### **Superbugs to kill 'more than cancer' by 2050**

Drug resistant infections will kill an extra 10 million people a year worldwide – more than currently die from cancer – by 2050 unless action is taken, a study says. They are currently implicated in 700,000 deaths each year.

[The analysis, presented by the economist Jim O'Neill](#), said the costs would spiral to \$100tn (£63tn). Mr O'Neill told the BBC: "To put that in context, the annual GDP [gross domestic product] of the UK is about \$3tn, so this would be the equivalent of around 35 years without the UK contribution to the global economy."

<http://www.bbc.com/news/health-30416844>

### **EDC-Free Europe coalition launches online platform on exposure to endocrine disrupting chemicals**

The EDC-Free Europe coalition has launched an easy to use online platform to 'Say NO to hormone disrupting chemicals'.

The platform allows individuals to tell the European Commission “to remove hormone-disrupting chemicals from our lives to protect our health” by enabling them to respond to an EU public consultation. It is available in seven languages. The European Commission missed its December 2013 deadline to set the criteria for identifying hormone or endocrine disrupting chemicals, known as EDCs, due to intensive lobbying by the pesticides and chemicals industry. However, a public consultation has now been launched to gather feedback. The platform makes it simple for citizens in Europe and beyond to contribute to the consultation on this important issue for public health, the environment, wildlife and a sustainable future.  
<http://www.no2hormonedisruptingchemicals...>

## 5. EUPHA members update

**Netherlands Public Health Federation** <http://www.nphf.nl>

The annual conference of the Netherlands Public Health Federation is organised on 8-9 April in Rotterdam. The theme of the conference is: Prevention in care and public health - the best of both worlds. The conference is organised in Dutch.  
<http://www.decongresbalie.nl>

## 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/](http://www.goinginternational.eu/en/online-datenbank/) Going International is an official partner of EUPHA.

**Title:** [Swiss Epidemiology Winter School 2015](#)  
**Date / location:** 19 Jan 2015 - 25 Jan 2015 / Wengen, Switzerland  
**Organiser:** University Bern

**Title:** [Master of Public Health CPD module](#)  
**Date / location:** 26 Jan 2015 - 30 Jan 2015 / Liverpool, United Kingdom  
**Organiser:** University of Liverpool

**Title:** [Travellers' Health](#)  
**Date / location:** 26 Jan 2015 - 30 Jan 2015 / Basel, Switzerland  
**Organiser:** Swiss TPH

**Title:** [6-Day Certified Course “Winter School in Clinical Epidemiology”](#)  
**Date / location:** 2 Feb 2015 - 7 Feb 2014 / Hall in Tyrol, Austria  
**Organiser:** UMIT

**Title:** [14th World Congress on Public Health - WCPH 2015](#)  
**Date / location:** 11 Feb 2015 - 15 Feb 2015 / Kolkata, India  
**Organiser:** WFPHA

**Title:** [12th International Conference on Urban Health: Urban Health for a Sustainable Future - The Post 2015 Agenda](#)

Date / location: 9 Mar 2015 - 12 Mar 2015 / Dhaka, Bangladesh

Organiser: International Society for Urban Health

**Title:** [Health Care and Management in Tropical Countries \(HCMTC\) 2015](#)

Date / location: 9 Mar 2015 - 12 Mar 2015 / Basel, Switzerland

Organiser: Swiss TPH

**Title:** [Master of Public Health CPD module](#)

Date / location: 20 Apr 2015 - 25 Apr 2015 / London, United Kingdom

Organiser: University of Liverpool

**Title:** [4th Global Forum on TB Vaccines](#)

Date / location: 21 Apr 2015 - 24 Apr 2015 / Shanghai, China

**Title:** [Introduction to Health Technology Assessment](#)

Date / location: 22 Apr 2015 - 25 Apr 2015 / Hall in Tyrol, Austria

Organiser: UMiT, Austria

**Title:** [14th Annual Meeting of the International Society of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity "Advancing Behavior Change Science"](#)

Date / location: 3 Jun 2015 - 6 Jun 2015 / Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Organiser: ISBNPA

**Title:** [Ecology and Safety, International conference](#)

Date / location: 4 Jun 2015 - 8 Jun 2015 / Elenite Holiday Village, Bulgaria

Organiser: Science and Education Foundation, Bulgaria

**Title:** [23rd International Conference on Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services: Person-oriented health promotion in a rapidly changing world: Co-production – continuity – new media and technologies](#)

Date / location: 10 Jun 2015 - 12 Jun 2015 / Oslo, Norway

Organiser: International Network of Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services and Norwegian Network of Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services

**Title:** [EHMA 2015 annual conference - Evidence based management: better decisions, better healthcare](#)

Date / location: 15 Jun 2015 - 17 Jun 2015 / Breda, The Netherlands

Organiser: EHMA

**Title:** [How to plan successfully? A focus on priority setting, resource allocation and strategic planning for health](#)

Date / location: 15 Jun 2015 - 3 Jul 2015 / Basel, Switzerland

Organiser: Swiss TPH

- Title:** [Towards a generation free from tobacco: turning the vision into reality](#)  
**Date / location:** 18 Jun 2015 - 19 Jun 2015 / Edinburgh, United Kingdom  
**Organiser:** AHS Scotland
- Title:** [2015 International Conference on Health Promoting Universities and Colleges: 10 Years after the Edmonton Charter](#)  
**Date / location:** 22 Jun 2015 - 25 Jun 2015 / Kelowna, Canada  
**Organiser:** University of British Columbia
- Title:** [14th Annual International Conference on Health Economics, Management and Policy](#)  
**Date / location:** 22 Jun 2015 - 25 Jun 2015 / Athens, Greece  
**Organiser:** ATINER
- Title:** [1st International conference on Transport and Health](#)  
**Date / location:** 6 Jul 2015 - 8 Jul 2015 / London, United Kingdom  
**Organiser:** UCL and TPH (Transport Public Health) Link
- Title:** [APHES Summer Course – Assessing Public Health in Emergency Situations](#)  
**Date / location:** 6 Jul 2015 - 17 Jul 2015 / Brussels, Belgium  
**Organiser:** The Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disaster
- Title:** [24th ETC-PHHP Summer school: European perspectives on health promotion](#)  
**Date / location:** 2 Aug 2015 - 14 Aug 2015 / Cagliari, Italy  
**Organiser:** ETC-PHHP
- Title:** [COHRED Forum 2015: People at the center of research and innovation for health](#)  
**Date / location:** 25 Aug 2015 - 27 Aug 2015 / Manila, Philippines  
**Organiser:** COHRED
- Title:** [Accidents due to venomous and poisonous animals](#)  
**Date / location:** 10 Sep 2015 - 13 Sep 2015 / Basel, Switzerland  
**Organiser:** Swiss TPH
- Title:** [Integrated elderly and patient care in Turkey](#)  
**Date / location:** 29 Oct 2015 - 1 Nov 2015 / Istanbul, Turkey  
**Organiser:** Healthy Community Association
- Title:** [IUHPE's 22nd World Conference on Health Promotion](#)  
**Date / location:** 22 May 2016 - 26 May 2016 / Curitiba, Brazil  
**Organiser:** IUHPE

## 7. European Journal of Public Health

### Advanced access:

**The development in body mass index, overweight and obesity in three regions in Denmark**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Vaccination coverage for measles, mumps and rubella in anthroposophical schools in Gelderland, The Netherlands**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Forty-year trends in cardiovascular risk factors in Finland**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**The 'healthy immigrant effect': breastfeeding behaviour in Ireland**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Length of unemployment and health-related outcomes: a life-course analysis**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**The contribution of perceived ethnic discrimination to the prevalence of depression**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Unregulated access to health-care services is associated with overutilization--lessons from Austria**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**The extent and distribution of gambling harm in Finland as assessed by the Problem Gambling Severity Index**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**The impact of smoking on gender differences in life expectancy: more heterogeneous than often stated**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Healthcare consumption by ethnic minority people in their country of origin**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Tobacco-free schools as a core component of youth tobacco prevention programs: a secondary analysis of data from 43 countries**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**The association between complete and partial non-response to psychosocial questions and suicide: the JPHC Study**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Low socioeconomic status and perceptions of social inadequacy and shame: findings from the Dutch SMILE study**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Use of self-medication among adolescents: a systematic review and meta-analysis**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Effectiveness of pharmacotherapy in behavioural therapeutic smoking cessation programmes**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Recovery and recurrence of mental sickness absence among production and office workers in the industrial sector**  
<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>



**Childhood family background and mortality differences by income in adulthood: fixed-effects analysis of Finnish siblings**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Labour market trajectories and early retirement due to permanent disability: a study based on 14 972 new cases in Spain**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Can the accuracy of health behaviour surveys be improved by non-response follow-ups?**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Flawed oral health of a non-smoking adolescent suggests smoking in adulthood**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Physical domestic violence exposure is highly associated with suicidal attempts in both women and men. Results from the national public health survey in Sweden**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Health measures in prediction models for high sickness absence: single-item self-rated health versus multi-item SF-12**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Effects of the 3-year Sigue la Huella intervention on sedentary time in secondary school students**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Psychometric properties of the consumer quality index to assess shelter and community care services**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

**Cybervictimization and somatic and psychological symptoms among Italian middle school students**

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

## **8. Interesting publications**

**Positive versus negative mental health in emerging adulthood: a national cross-sectional survey**

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Comparison of a French pediatric type 1 diabetes cohort's responders and non-responders to an environmental questionnaire**

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**European Atlas on the Prevention of AF-Related Stroke**

<http://hearhythmcharity.org.uk/www/765...>

**Low control beliefs in relation to school dropout and poor health: findings from the Siodo case-control study**

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Trading between healthy food, alcohol and physical activity behaviours**

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Impact of a long-term tobacco-free policy at a comprehensive cancer center: a series of cross-sectional surveys**

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>



**Sexual behavior and factors associated with young age at first intercourse and HPV vaccine uptake among young women in Germany: implications for HPV vaccination policies**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Diagnosis-specific disability pension and risk of all-cause and cause-specific mortality - a cohort study of 4.9 million inhabitants in Sweden**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Perceptions of neighbourhood quality, social and civic participation and the self rated health of British adults with intellectual disability: cross sectional study**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Implementing an Injury Prevention Briefing to aid delivery of key fire safety messages in UK children's centres: qualitative study nested within a multi-centre randomised controlled trial**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**How do needs and preferences of employees influence participation in health promotion programs? A six-month follow-up study**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Educational interventions to improve prescription and dispensing of antibiotics: a systematic review**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Predictors of smoking among Swedish adolescents**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Socioeconomic differences in the use of ill-defined causes of death in 16 European countries**  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...>

**Cross-border health care in Europe**  
<http://www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/partners/observatory/news/news/2014/11/cross-border-health-care-in-europe>

**National informative system for surveillance of toxic exposures and poisonings: cases identified in 2010. 5th annual report**  
Rapporti ISTISAN 14/13 (in Italian)  
Abstract and full text are available from:  
<http://www.iss.it/publ/index.php?lang=1andid=2821andtipo=5>

**Global, regional, and national age-sex specific all-cause and cause-specific mortality for 240 causes of death, 1990-2013: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2013**  
The Lancet. Published Online: 17 December 2014  
DOI: [http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736\(14\)61682-2](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(14)61682-2)

**Social Determinants of Child Health: Concepts and Measures for Future Research**  
Kelli A. Komro, Scott Burris, JD, Alexander C. Wagenaar  
Health Behavior and Policy Review. 2014;1(6):432-445  
DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.14485/HBPR.1.6.1>

**Comparing (Voluntary) Occupational Welfare in the EU: Evidence from an international research study**  
By David Natali and Emmanuele Pavolini  
OSE Paper Series, Research Paper No.16, November 2014, 39p.  
[http://www.ose.be/EN/publications/ose\\_pa...](http://www.ose.be/EN/publications/ose_pa...)

**About the baby and the bathwater: assessing the European Platform against Poverty**  
Authors: Sebastiano Sabato and Bart Vanhercke (European Social Observatory)  
ETUI Working Paper 2014.09, 2014, 36p.  
<http://www.etui.org/en/Publications2/Wor...>

## **Journal of Communication in Healthcare | Ebola themed section**

Contributions are made by experts from [USAID](#), the [World Health Organization](#), [Columbia University](#), and other international organisations, providing their perspectives on this topic.

### **Removing the emperor's clothes: Australia and tobacco plain packaging**

Simon Chapman

<http://ses.library.usyd.edu.au/bitstream...>

## **9. European Commission news**

### **Alcohol**

[15th plenary meeting on European Alcohol and Health Forum \(Luxembourg, 6 November 2014\)](#)

[Summary report](#)

### **Blood, tissues and organs**

[Common approach document for definition of reportable serious adverse events and reactions](#)

### **Cross-border care**

[Impact of information on patients' choice within the context of the Directive 2011/24/EU of the EP and of the Council on the application of patients' rights in cross-border healthcare](#) [Final report](#)

### **Ebola**

[Teleconference with the Members of the Health Security Committee \(4 December 2014\)](#) [Flash report](#)

[Ebola: Review of exit screening procedures at international airports in affected countries](#)

### **eHealth**

[7th meeting of the eHealth Network \(Riga, 12 May 2015\)](#) [Agenda of the meeting](#)

### **Expert Panel**

[7th Plenary meeting of the Expert Panel, 9 October 2014](#) [Minutes of the meeting](#)

[Comments received during the public consultation on the EXPH preliminary opinion on Future EU Agenda on Quality of Health Care with a special emphasis on Patient Safety](#)

[4th Working Group meeting on WG on Competition between health care providers in EU, 01 December 2014](#) [Minutes of the meeting](#)

### **Health-EU Newsletter**

["Health at a Glance: accurate check-up results on which to base policy decisions"](#) Editorial by Stefan Schreck, Head of Health Information Unit, European Commission, DG Health and Consumers

[Mental Health: Let's put plans into action](#) Editorial by José Miguel Caldas de Almeidam, Coordinator, Joint Action on Mental Health and Well-being

### **Health reports**

[Health at a glance: Europe 2014](#)

[Life expectancy in the EU still on the rise: launch of the "Health at a Glance: Europe 2014" report](#)

### **Health technology assessment**

[3rd meeting of the HTA Network \(Rome, 29 October 2014\)](#) [Minutes of the meeting](#)

### **Health workforce**

[Working Group on the European Workforce for Health \(24 November 2014\)](#) [Presentations of the meeting](#)

### **Nutrition and physical activity**

[Distribution of free fruit and vegetables has begun to participants in "My health family" project](#)

["We love eating" project - Almost 3,500 children, their parents, older people and pregnant women in 7 European cities explained their attitudes towards healthy diets and physical exercise](#)

### **Preparedness and response**

14th Ministerial meeting on the Global Health Security Initiative (11 December 2014) Communiqué setting out the achievements of the GHSI

Health security: Building stronger global collaboration

Medical countermeasures that could be procured in common under the Joint Procurement Agreement

### **Social determinants and health inequalities**

Identifying best practice in actions on tobacco smoking to reduce health inequalities Final report

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

### **Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 48, 04 December 2014**

**In this issue:** French case report reveals unexpected clinical features of Toscana virus (TOSV) infection and report from northern Italy demonstrates the advantages of integrated surveillance for TOSV

**This week's table of contents:**

#### **RAPID COMMUNICATION**

Afebrile meningoencephalitis with transient central facial paralysis due to Toscana virus infection, south-eastern France, 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20974>

#### **RESEARCH ARTICLES**

Preparedness for admission of patients with suspected Ebola virus disease in European hospitals: a survey, August-September 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20980>

#### **SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS**

Human and entomological surveillance of Toscana virus in the Emilia-Romagna region, Italy, 2010 to 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20978>

Improving surveillance of sexually transmitted infections using mandatory electronic clinical reporting: the genitourinary medicine clinic activity dataset, England, 2009 to 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20981>

#### **PERSPECTIVES**

Overcoming healthcare workers' vaccine refusal – competition between egoism and altruism

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20979>

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

In the national epidemiological bulletins – a selection from current issues

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20975>

ECDC's latest publications

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20977>

Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20976>

### **Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 49, 11 December 2014**

**In this issue:** High Ebola virus load in amniotic fluid of pregnant woman after testing negative for the virus – possible implications for delivery of infected pregnant women

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#### **RAPID COMMUNICATION**

Management of pregnant women infected with Ebola virus in a treatment centre in Guinea, June 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20983>

## **SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS**

Emergence of clonally related multidrug resistant Haemophilus influenzae with penicillin-binding protein 3-mediated resistance to extended-spectrum cephalosporins, Norway, 2006 to 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20986>

Measles outbreak in Greater Manchester, England, October 2012 to September 2013: epidemiology and control

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20982>

## **RESEARCH ARTICLES**

Clinical severity of human infections with avian influenza A(H7N9) virus, China, 2013/14

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20984>

The dynamic changes of dominant clones of Staphylococcus aureus causing bloodstream infections in the European region: Results of a second structured survey

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20987>

Training infection control and hospital hygiene professionals in Europe, 2010: agreed core competencies among 33 European countries

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20985>

## **NEWS**

Enhancing infectious disease mapping with open access resources

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20989>

## **Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 50, 18 December 2014**

**In this issue:** This is the last issue in 2014. We will be back on 8 January and wish our readers and contributors peaceful holidays and a happy and healthy 2015

### **This week's table of contents:**

## **RAPID COMMUNICATIONS**

Comparing introduction to Europe of highly pathogenic avian influenza viruses A(H5N8) in 2014 and A(H5N1) in 2005

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20996>

ESwab challenges influenza virus propagation in cell cultures

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20995>

A large community outbreak of Legionnaires' disease in Vila Franca de Xira, Portugal, October to November 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20991>

## **SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS**

Foodborne hepatitis A outbreak associated with bakery products in northern Germany, 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20992>

## **PERSPECTIVES**

Innovative applications of immunisation registration information systems: example of improved measles control in Taiwan

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20994>

## **LETTERS**

Letter to the editor: Management of patients with Ebola virus disease in Europe: high-level isolation units should have a key role

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20993>

Authors' reply: Management of patients with Ebola virus disease in Europe: high-level isolation units should have a key role

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20990>

## 11. WHO news

### **WHO Europe publishes: Snapshot of current health issues in the WHO European Region**

The WHO Brussels office has just published its new Public Health Toolkit, containing information about different public health issues in a very short format. For more information, please contact Dr Roberto Bertollini ([bertollini@weu.who.int](mailto:bertollini@weu.who.int)) or check the WHO Europe website: <http://www.euro.who.int>

### **NEW PUBLICATIONS ISSUED BY WHO – NOVEMBER 2014**

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