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1. EUPHA – ASPHER 2011: Copenhagen, Denmark – Public Health and Welfare – Welfare Development and Public Health



EUPHA and ASPHER are pleased to invite you to the 4th joint European Public Health Conference combining the 19th annual EUPHA meeting and the 33rd annual meeting of ASPHER. The conference will be organised from 10 to 12 November in Copenhagen by the Danish Society of Public Health (DSOPH). The main theme of the conference is Public Health and Welfare – Welfare Development and Public Health.

As usual, we are organising the 65 oral sessions and 60 moderated poster sessions in tracks to make it easier to follow. At the moment, the following tracks are being discussed:

- 1. Welfare and public health
- 2. European public health
- 3. Health services & systems
- 4. Consumers and patients
- 5. Policy
- 6. Inequalities
- 7. Sickness absence
- 8. Chronic diseases
- 9. Public health research and innovation
- 10. Benefits and reliability of data collection
- 11. Public health competencies
- 12. All inclusive public health
- 13. News in public health

And the following extra moderated poster tracks:

- 14. Migrant and ethnic minority health
- 15. Child and adolescent public health
- 16. Lifestyle
- 17. Health promotion 1
- 18. Health promotion 2
- 19. Public mental health
- 20. Interesting health posters

Interesting dates:

15 July preliminary programme online

15 September Early registration ends (€50 reduction on your fee!)

Please find regularly updated information on: www.eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php

2. Call for proposals, job opportunities

Communication for Development Specialist (Polio/Immunization) Vacancies UNICEF Regional Office: Dakar, Senegal

If you are a communication, social mobilization or monitoring & evaluation expert passionate about making a lasting difference for children, the world's leading children's rights organization would like to hear from you. Help UNICEF accelerate its response to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) and eradicate polio by 2012.

The GPEI is the largest public health initiative in history and has achieved 99% reduction of polio cases since its inception in 1988 when the World Health Assembly adopted eradication as a global health goal. As a spearheading partner, UNICEF has the lead role in vaccine supply, logistics and communication. Communication plays a crucial role in polio eradication, fostering understanding of the disease and acceptance of the vaccine. UNICEF has key communication and social mobilization responsibilities in the endemic countries and also in effectively responding to outbreaks, and we are looking for experienced communication and monitoring & evaluation professionals.

1. Communication for Development Specialist (Polio), P-3 level

2. Communication for Development Specialist (Immunization/M&E), P-3 level

Qualifications

Advanced university degree in the social/behavioral sciences (Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology, Health Education) with emphasis on participatory communication, communication planning, social mobilization, participatory research, training and impact evaluation of communication interventions. A first level university degree with a relevant combination of academic qualifications and experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.

5 years progressively responsible work experience in the planning and management of social development programmes, including 2 years in developing countries, with practical experience in the adaptation and application of communication planning & M&E processes to specific programmes. Fluency in both English and French.

Application Deadline: July 14, 2011

Visit us at www.unicef.org/about/employ to register and search using keyword "Senegal" for additional details / to apply before deadline.

Pan American Journal of Public Health (PAJPH): Call for Papers

Special issue of the PAJPH on Health and human security in border communities The Pan American Journal of Public Health is published by the Pan American Health Organization PAHO/WHO. The Pan American Health Organization has selected health and human security as the theme for this special issue, given the significant increase of violence and injuries as a global health problem.

Main theme

Health and human security with specific context grounded in the United States-Mexico border and other border communities around the world:

- Impact of violence and injuries on health and development
- violence and injuries financial costs
- violence and injury prevention and risk factor identification
- violence and injury surveillance, data collection and analysis (among them: observatories, standardized indicators systems and data based geographic information systems)
- evidence based and research on human security involving other disciplines (among them: medicine, epidemiology, sociology, psychology, criminology, teaching and economy)
- conflict and humanitarian emergencies impact on public health

Submissions at: http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/rpsp

Deadline to present manuscripts: July 30th, 2011. Website: http://bit.ly/ilvQpb Fecha límite para la presentación de manuscritos: 30 de julio de 2011 Website: http://bit.ly/igc7KW

Establishing an evidence base for e-health: a call for papers

Bulletin of the World Health Organization - June 2011;89:394-394. doi: 10.2471/BLT.11.090274 **Deadline** for submissions is 20 November 2011 Website: http://bit.ly/ICGFY7

The first objective of this theme issue of the Bulletin is to provide an authoritative, critical and independent overview of knowledge about the appropriate, transdisciplinary methods and applications in e-health. There have been considerable developments and experiences – social, technical and political – in the field of e-health in the past several years. This theme issue aims to provide a credible source of evidence, authored by individuals representing different parts of the world, to help inform decisions on e-health and its application. It will draw on examples from around the world of the successes of health informatics. We welcome papers for the research and systematic review sections of the Bulletin and encourage authors to consider contributions that document evidence of impact of e-health methods and tools.

The second objective of this theme issue is to include contributors from developing countries who typically do not have the opportunity to publish in international journals. It is likely that significant experiences and knowledge about many e-health issues do not make it to the mainstream scientific literature, as implementers and researchers involved in these projects may lack the resources, skills and/or contacts necessary to access these international communication channels. The International Medical Informatics Association will provide quality control and mentoring to ensure that these contributors get the appropriate level of support, if required.

A third objective is to disseminate the key findings of this theme issue to high-level decision-makers, to promote a stronger commitment on e-health interoperability issues and its wider application. The deadline for submissions is **20 November 2011**. Manuscripts should respect the Guidelines for contributors and mention this call for papers in a covering letter. All submissions will go through the Bulletin's peer review process. Please submit to: http://submit.bwho.org

3. Interesting news

COHRED – Council on Health Research for Development Update Global Forum and COHRED now merged

In March 2011 the Global Forum for Health Research and COHRED were merged, combining the best of both organizations. The merged structure for the first time creates one platform for dialogue and policy shaping between the global health players and their country counterparts. As COHRED Board Chair Cheikh Mbacké has said, " The new organization will provide a significant added value to our activities in terms of bringing research and technical knowledge to the different players in the field of research and innovation for health." The two organizations are currently working under the name of The COHRED Group.

Forum 2012

Building on the successes of past Global Forum meetings, Forum 2012 is in preparation. Forum 2012 will take place in Cape Town, South Africa, 24-26 April 2012, and will bring together governments, research institutions, for-profit business, social enterprises, civil society, international organizations, funders and media and will serve as a platform to usher in change and innovation through concrete and measurable examples.

HRWeb

Health Research Web continues to develop with more countries coming on board. As a comprehensive platform for the exchange of information on the many aspects of research for health, HRWeb aims to help countries improve the management and coordination of research for health. Together with PAHO, significant advances have been made for uploading data on Ethics Boards in the Americas Region onto HRWeb. Work has also started with both Tanzania and Senegal on adapting HRWeb to the local (COSTECH/ Tanzania and Ministry of Health Senegal) websites so that a research for health management information system becomes available to the decision makers in the country.

COHRED website

Moving with the times, we have upgraded our website, to make it easier to navigate. We encourage you to visit it and spend time browsing on our publications, which exist as a resource for all visitors to use. www.cohred.org

European Medicines Agency – Transparency consultation

The Heads of Medicines Agencies (HMA) and European Medicines Agency (EMA) have been working together with a view towards achieving greater transparency of their operations and better addressing the increasing requests for information they hold from members of the civil society.

This draft guidance document entitled "Heads of Medicines Agencies/European Medicines Agency guidance document on the identification of commercially confidential information and protection of personal data within the structure of the marketing-authorisation dossier - release of information after granting of a marketing authorisation" is presented as a consensus document agreed by the entire Network of Competent Authorities, laying down practical orientations for national and European authorities in regard to requests for access to information contained in marketing authorisation (MA) dossiers. Notwithstanding this guidance document, it should be noted that National Competent Authorities and EMA ultimately are required to follow national or European legislation in terms of access to documents.

HMA have agreed in their meeting in Visegrad 28 April 2011 to start a public consultation on this document to hear the view of concerned stakeholders (including industry, healthcare professionals and patient organisations) before a final version of the guidance document will be agreed upon. The document is available for consultation on the following webpage:

http://www.ema.europa.eu/docs/en_GB/document_library/Other/2011/06/WC500106995.pdf Comments related to this document should be sent before 1st September 2011 to the following mailbox: HMA-EMATransparencyConsultation@ema.europa.eu<mailto:HMA-EMATransparencyConsultation@ema.europa.eu>

Call for nominations – WFPHA Organizational Excellence Award

The World Federation of Public Health Associations (WFPHA) invites member national public health associations in good standing to nominate an NGO of their country for the WFPHA Organizational Excellence Award. This Award was created to recognize outstanding contributions of public health by a non-governmental (NGO) working to promote health, to prevent disease and injury, and to ensure conditions in which we all can be safe and healthy.

The deadline for submitting a nomination is October 31, 2011. Please complete and return the completed Nomination for Organizational Award to the WFPHA Geneva office by email: secretariat@wfpha.org

Proposals will be reviewed by the Awards Committee. The nominee will be confirmed by the WFPHA Executive Board at the beginning of 2012 and announced at the following World Congress in Addis Ababa.

European Patients' Forum – Chain of trust

The European Patients' Forum (EPF) is implementing, together with other six partners, an EU project co-financed by the EU Public Health Programme called "Chain of Trust". Started in January 2011, this project aims to assess the perspectives of the main end users of telehealth services, i.e. patients, doctors, nurses and pharmacists across the EU to see whether and how views have evolved since the initial deployment of telehealth and what barriers there still are to building confidence in and acceptance of this innovative type of services.

For more information on Chain of Trust, please visit the project website at www.chainoftrust.eu

4. EUPHA update

Search for secretary

The Advisory Nominations Committee of EUPHA (ANC) has been mandated to look for a new EUPHA secretary for the period 2012-2014 (with possibility to be re-nominated until 2017). The ANC invites all EUPHA members to nominate candidates by 1 September 2011. The ANC will analyse the candidates and make a shortlist by 1 October 2011. After discussion with the Executive Council, the ANC will inform the Governing Council of the shortlist and will circulate information. The Governing Council will appoint the incoming secretary at their meeting in November 2011.

Specific tasks of the secretary to the Executive Council:

- Supervision of the implementation of the work plan by EUPHA office;
- Being one of the legal representatives of EUPHA (signing of contracts);
- Being the EUPHA representative for the scientific programme of the conference; and
- Being an active member of the EUPHA Executive Council, assisting in the strategic planning and further development of EUPHA.

The ANC has elaborated a preferred profile for the candidates for this post:

- EUPHA member
- Familiarity with EUPHA organisation, activities and objectives
- Willingness to spend 1 hour every 2 weeks to consult with EUPHA office
- Good scientific background
- Experience with international collaboration
- Fluency in English
- Preferably close vicinity to EUPHA office (Utrecht)

Please send your candidate(s) name and short CV by 1 September 2011 to: office@eupha.org

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me (fkj@niph.dk) or d.zeegers@nivel.nl

Looking forward to receiving your candidates. Kindest regards, Finn Kamper-Jorgensen, Chair of the Advisory Nominations Committee

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EUPHAnxt launched

EUPHA is pleased to announce the launch of EUPHAnxt. Are you under 35? And interested in European public health? Then EUPHAnxt may be something for you.

EUPHAnxt is a free and open initiative that aims to collect the active contribution of students, young researchers, practitioners and policymakers interested in European public health issues, in order to sensitize and involve them into the European and multidisciplinary network of public health associations. Check out our website http://www.eupha.org/site/projects.php?project_page=9 for more information on our activities.

PHIRE website launched

EUPHA is pleased to announce today the launch of the PHIRE web pages on its website. PHIRE (Public Health Innovation and Research in Europe) is a project for EUPHA member associations and Sections. The project is co-funded under the EU second Health Programme. Its general objective is to contribute to the improvement of public health knowledge and practice across the EU by assessing the impact of actions funded under the first Health Programme and structuring information on public health research.

Two of the PHIRE work packages (WPs) have started the collection of data recently. Seven EUPHA Sections (WP 4) have selected a specific action from the first Health Programme. Members of the Sections are currently investigating the impact and implementation of the actions in each of the EU member states. EUPHA member associations (WP 5) are engaged in the collection of information on thematic public health research calls. Many of the member associations have responded positively to our request for collaboration already. Others are asked to join and team up with EUPHA to improve the effectiveness of future European Health Programmes.

Graz Summer school on Health Impact Assessment – EUPHA Scholarships

EUPHA is very pleased to once again be a partner of the Graz Summer school organised at the medical university of Graz from 5 to 10 September. The Executive Council of EUPHA has decided to

make up to 4 EUPHA scholarships available (€500 per scholarship) for international participants in this event. Please check for content and registration: http://www.medunigraz.at/HIAsummerschool2011

5. EUPHA member updates

Welcome to this section of the EUPHA newsletter, in which we summarize the activities of our members. We continue to summarize information we have received directly from our members in different languages. We hope to include more and more of our members in this new section.

UK Society for Social Medicine -www.socsocmed.org.uk

Society for Social Medicine 55th Annual Scientific Meeting - University of Warwick - 14th-16th September 2011.

This year's SSM conference offers you a unique opportunity - find out about the latest public health and health services research through multidisciplinary networking and a friendly atmosphere, surrounded by Warwickshire's historical charm.

Oral and poster presentations on methodology, physical activity & travel, obesity & diet, maternal & child health, cardiovascular disease, innovative methods, parenting, birth cohorts, lifecourse studies, statistics and more...

Workshops on Mental wellbeing, Aspirin prophylaxis, and a showcase event for early career researchers.

Renowned keynote speakers:

Professor Debbie Lawlor, University of Bristol, UK;

Professor Peter Groenewegen, Director of NIVEL, Netherlands

For registration and more information visit: www.ssmconference.org.uk Early bird registration ends July 8th!

Portuguese Association for the Promotion of Public Health

The new incoming president is Dr^a Emilia Nunes, a Public Health official from the General Directorate of Health with a large experience in Public Health and European relations. The contact person for all EUPHA related matters remains: Dr Carlos Matias Dias Associação Portuguesa para a Promoção da Saúde Pública Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública Av. Padre Cruz 1600-560 Lisboa Portugal carlos.dias@ensp.unl.pt

UK Faculty of Public Health -www.fph.org.uk

Annual Conference - Public Health in a Changing World 4 July 2011, University of Birmingham Keynote speakers: Rt Hon Andrew Lansley MP CBE, Secretary of State for Health Dame Sally Davies, Chief Medical Officer for England

6. Upcoming courses and conferences

GOING OIN FERNATIONAL

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

Title: Training course on Measuring Equity and Financial Protection in Health

Dates: 10 July 2011

Place: More info:	Toronto, Canada http://bit.ly/jSMkZw
	International Conference on HIV Aid's/Woman & child Abuse 25-28 July 2011 Vicenza, Italy Global Women's Foundation (GWF) info_conference@mynet.com
Title: Dates: Place: Organiser: More info:	XIX IEA World Congress of Epidemiology 7-11 th August 2011 Edinburgh, Scotland IEA www.epidemiology2011.com
Title: Date: Place: More info:	Summer School in Public Health Policy, Economics and Management 15 - 20 August 2011 Lugano, Switzerland http://www.ssphplus.ch/spip.php?page=ssph_main⟨=de&id_rubrique=16
Title: Dates: Place: More info:	Bayesian Disease Mapping in Epidemiology and Public Health August 8 - 19, 2011 Basel, Switzerland http://www.swisstph.ch/teaching/bayesian-disease-mapping.html
Title: Date: Place: Organiser: More info:	International Summer School "Taking Action on Health Inequalities" 5-9 September 2011 Bielefeld University, Germany Bielefeld School of Public Health, supported by German Academic Exchange Service http://iph-partnership.org/index.php?title=Summer_School_2011
Title: Dates: Place:	International Conference Public Health in the 21 st Century 15 – 16 September 2011 Primorska, Slovenia

Organiser: University of Primorska

Deadline: for abstracts: 15 August 2011

More info: http://www.vszi.upr.si/

Title: ESCAIDE 2011:

European scientific conference on applied infectious disease epidemiology 6-8 November 2011 Dates: Place: Stockholm, Sweden Organiser: ECDC Deadline: for abstracts: 8 July 2011 More info: www.escaide.eu

Title: Rationale Management of Medicines: a focus on HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria

Dates: October 30 - November 11. 2011

Place: Pretoria, South Africa

More info: http://www.swisstph.ch/teaching/advanced-studies-in-internat-health/rationalmanagement-of-medicines.html

Title: Health District Management: Priority Setting, Planning and Programme Design Dates: November 14 - December 2, 2011 Ifakara, Tanzania Place: More info: http://www.swisstph.ch/teaching/advanced-studies-in-internat-health/health-districtmanagement-priority-setting-planning-and-programme-design-ifakaratanzania.html

Title: Concepts of Epidemiology (5-Day Course)

Date:5-9 December 2011Place:Edinburgh, UKOrganiser:University of EdinburghMore info:http://www.lifelong.ed.ac.uk/epidemiology

7. Interesting publications

July Policy Brief "Active Ageing and Prevention in the Context of Long-Term Care. Rethinking Concepts and Practices".

Georg Ruppe. More:http://www.euro.centre.org/detail.php?xml_id=1929

Systematic Review of Environmental Burden of Disease in Canada

National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health Vancouver, BC Canada – 2010 Available online PDF [68p.] at: http://bit.ly/IPhvXB

Universal health coverage: friend or foe of health equity?

Davidson R Gwatkin, Alex Ergo The Lancet, Volume 377, Issue 9784, Pages 2160 - 2161, 25 June 2011 doi:10.1016/S0140-6736(10)62058-2 Website: http://bit.ly/mJpecA

Method for Synthesizing Knowledge about Public Policies

Public Health Agency of Canada through funding for the National Collaborating Centre for Healthy Public Policy (NCCHPP) 2010 Available online PDF [65p.] at: http://bit.ly/dRO8Y3

National, regional, and global trends in fasting plasma glucose and diabetes prevalence since 1980: systematic analysis of health examination surveys and epidemiological studies with 370 country-years and 2-7 million participants

Goodarz Danaei MD et al. The Lancet, Early Online Publication, 25 June 2011doi:10.1016/S0140-6736(11)60679-X Website: http://bit.ly/liKGKK

Global Health Governance, The Scholarly Journal for the New Health Security Paradigm

Vol IV, Issue 2: Spring 2011; The Intersection of Health and Security Available online at: http://bit.ly/m9AMcO

Global Health Governance at a Crossroads

Nora Y; Jennifer Prah Ruger Global Health Governance, Vol II, No. 2 (Spring 2011) Available online PDF file [32p.] at: http://bit.ly/lccCiC

The Community Tool Box Bringing Solutions to Light

Work Group for Community Health and Development University of Kansas - 2011 The Community Tool Box is a global resource for free information on essential skills for building healthy communities. English: Available online at: http://bit.ly/IMvFse Spanish: http://bit.ly/kEY9wF Caja de Herramientas Comunitarias: Recursos prácticos para su trabajo

Global Health: What it has been so far, what it should be, and what it could become

Studies in Health Services Organisation and Policy Department of Public Health. Editors Guy Kegels, Vincent De Brouwere and Bart Criel The Institute of Tropical Medicine in Antwerp, Belgium, 2011 Available online PDF [237p.] at: http://bit.ly/iXTNGd

Maximizing the Impacts of your Research: A Handbook for Social Scientists

LSE Public Policy Group Available online PDF [298p.] at: http://bit.ly/jNmi5r

Environmental burden of disease associated with inadequate housing

WHO European Region - 2011 Edited by: Braubach, M., Jacobs, D.E., Ormandy, D. Available online PDF [237p.] at: http://bit.ly/mEllw4

Health Sector Innovation and Partnership: Policy Responses to the New Economic Context OECD 50th Anniversary

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Conference on Health Reform: Meeting the challenge of ageing and multiple morbidities Available online at: http://bit.ly/kVxxhM

Revitalizing Law and Policy to Meet New Challenges

Committee on Public Health Strategies to Improve Health; National Research Council US National Academy of Sciences, 2011

Available online at: http://bit.ly/j168fs Health Equity Impact Assessment A primer / Haber, Rebecca. -- Toronto: Wellesley Institute (2010) Available online PDF [6p.] at: http://bit.ly/knvM3q

The State of World's Midwifery 2011: Delivering Health, Saving Lives

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), June 2011 Main page available online at: http://bit.ly/Imykw7 English: http://bit.ly/jD5IAL French: http://bit.ly/IIIX8Q Spanish: http://bit.ly/iY5r5e

Health Equity and Financial Protection: Streamlined Analysis with ADePT Software

Adam Wagstaff, Marcel Bilger, Zurab Sajaia, Michael Lokshin The World Bank Published May 27, 2011 by World Bank ISBN: 978-0-8213-8459-6; SKU: 18459 Available online PDF [196p.] at: http://bit.ly/mPJMX5.

UN High-Level Meeting on Non-Communicable Diseases: addressing four questions Robert Beaglehole et al.

The Lancet, 13 June 2011- doi:10.1016/S0140-6736(11)60879-9 Website: http://bit.ly/lJjTTL

Global Protection and the Health Impact of Migration Interception

Zachary Steel et al. PLoS Med 8(6): e1001038. doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.1001038 - June 14, 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/lxGVp9

Fair London, Healthy Londoners?

The London Health Commission, 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/murzlo

The Price of Maturity

Finance & Development, June 2011, Vol. 48, No. 2 Ronald Lee, Andrew Mason Available online at: http://bit.ly/jZ3DS5

Health in the Green Economy

World Health Organization 2011

Available online PDF file [136p.] at http://bit.ly/kx7JJA

Health Inequalities – A Challenge for Local Authorities

Marmot Review Fair Society, Healthy Lives 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/k6YC8x

Global health diplomacy: how foreign policy can influence health Ilona Kickbusch,

BMJ 2011; 342:d3154 doi: 10.1136/bmj.d3154 (Published 10 June 2011) Available online at: http://bit.ly/jASCj3

Data strategies for policymaking. Identifying international good practice

Philipp-Bastian Brutscher et al. Prepared for the European Commission Directorate General for Health and Consumers (DG SANCO) The RAND Corporation Available online PDF [99p.] at: http://bit.ly/kSIEb0

Importance of animal/human health interface in potential Public Health Emergencies of International Concern in the Americas

Maria Cristina Schneider et al. Health Surveillance and Disease Prevention and Control, Pan American Health Organization, PAHO/WHO Rev Panam Salud Publica. May 2011;29(5):371–9 Available online at: http://bit.ly/mMjSpX

Integrated Health Service Delivery Networks:

Concepts, Policy Options and a Road Map for Implementation in the Americas Pan American Health Organization. PAHO/WHO Washington, D.C.: PAHO, © 2011. (SERIES: Renewing Primary Health Care in the Americas No.4) Available online PDF [98p.] at: http://bit.ly/lz16f6

WHO World Health Organization and the World Bank Group - June 2011

The report that calls for the elimination of barriers that often force the people with disabilities to "the margins of society." UN press release New York, Jun 9 2011 12:05PM Website: http://bit.ly/IA7Rab

Available online PDF [349p.] at: http://bit.ly/jcRO7f

Declining Inequality in Latin America: Some Economics, Some Politics

Nancy Birdsall; Nora Lustig;Darryl McLeod CGD Working Paper 251. Washington, D.C. Center for Global Development June 2011 Available online PDF [31p.] at: http://bit.ly/iw8RTY

Social Franchising Evaluations - A scoping review

Tracey Pérez Koehlmoos, Rukhsana Gazi, S. Shahed Hossain, Mashida Rashid London: EPPI-Centre, Social Science Research Unit, Institute of Education, University of London June 2011 Available online PDF [58p.] at: http://bit.ly/kCYkE6

mHealth: New horizons for health through mobile technologies

Based on the findings of the second global survey on eHealth WHO Global Observatory for eHealth series - Volume 3 June 2011 Available online PDF [112p.] at: http://bit.ly/jNztw7

Migration as a Tool for Disaster Recovery: A Case Study on U.S. Policy Options for Post-Earthquake Haiti

Royce Bernstein Murray and Sarah Petrin Williamson CGD Working Paper 255. Washington, D.C. Center for Global Development - June 2011 http://www.cgdev.org/content/publications/detail/1425143

Climate Change, the Indoor Environment, and Health

US Committee on the Effect of Climate Change on Indoor Air Quality and Public Health Board on Population Health and Public Health Practice- National Academy of Sciences 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/mOj0eu

Inequity in Cancer Care: A Global Perspective

Human Health Reports No. 3 International Atomic Energy Agency IAEA; Vienna, 2011 Available online PDF [51p.] at: http://bit.ly/IXoG9p

How health systems make available information on service providers

- Experience in seven countries

Mirella Cacace, Stefanie Ettelt, Laura Brereton, Janice Pedersen, Ellen Nolte RAND and London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine – 2011 Available online PDF [112p.] at: http://bit.ly/i21Hnu

The Joint Action and Learning Initiative:

Towards a Global Agreement on National and Global Responsibilities for Health Lawrence O. Gostin et al.

PLoS Med 8(5): e1001031. May 2011 - doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.1001031 Available online at: http://bit.ly/kOInnS

Ecosystems and human well-being - Health synthesis

English: Available online at: http://bit.ly/jf5kUy

Ecosistemas y bienestar humano - síntesis sobre salud

Spanish: http://www.maweb.org/documents/MA-Health-Spanish.pdf

8. European Commission news

Alcohol

Eighth plenary meeting of the European Alcohol and health Forum, Brussels, 8 April 2011 Summary report available

Blood, tissues and organs

COM(2011) - 2nd report on Voluntary and Unpaid Donation of Tissues and Cells Escherichia coli outbreak in Germany

Public health advice to the public regarding prevention of E Coli infection (available in all EU languages)

Health and structural funds

3rd meeting of the Committee of the Regions' Technical Platform for Co-operation on Health, Brussels, 24 May 2011 Presentations available

Health programme

The High Level Conference on EU Health Programmes "Results and future perspectives" initially scheduled for September 6- 7, 2011, is postponed until further notice List of National Focal Points for Health Programme updated

List of National Focal Points for Health Programme u Healthy environments

Publications available on health and environment

Indicators

ECHI - Indicators on Communicable diseases, HIV/AIDS and Equity of access to health care services updated

Major and chronic diseases

1st European Partnership for Action against Cancer Open Forum, Madrid, 14-15 June 2011 Medicinal products for human use

Video: EU fights fake medicines

EU adopts ambitious measures to fight against falsified medicines Press release

Mental health

Thematic Conference "Promoting Mental Health and Well-being at Workplaces", Berlin, 03-04 March 2011 Conference report available

Council conclusions on 'The European Pact for Mental Health and Well-being: results and future action'

EU-compass - List of reports and studies on Mental Health in Workplace updated EU-compass - List of policy documents and stakeholder statements on Prevention of Depression and Suicide updated

Sexually transmitted diseases

HIV/AIDS Think Tank, Brussels, 27-28 October 2010 Minutes available

Scientific committees

Bringing the results of the Scientific Committees closer to the public Summary of the scientific opinion on Sphygmomanometers available

Bringing the results of the Scientific Committees closer to the public Summary of the scientific opinion on nanomaterials available

SCENIHR - Minutes of the 13th Plenary meeting, Brussels, 11 April 2011

SCENIHR - Minutes of 8th Working Group on New Challenges for Risk Assessment - Meeting of 7 June 2011

SCENIHR - Draft Agenda for the 14th plenary meeting, Brussels, 15 June 2011

SCHER - Full Bibliography of the Sources Examined for the Opinion on New evidence on the health effects of fluoride

SCHER - Critical review of any new evidence on the hazard profile, health effects, and human exposure to fluoride and the fluoridating agents of drinking water

SCHER - Minutes of the 12th Plenary meeting, Brussels, 30 March 2011

SCHER - Members (CVs and Declarations) List of members and declarations of interests updated SCHER - Opinion on: Chemicals and the Water Framework Directive: Draft environmental quality standards - Quinoxyfen

SCHER - New Opinions on Chemicals and the Water Framework Directive: Draft environmental quality standards

SCCS - Minutes of 13th Working Group on Nanomaterials in Cosmetic Products - Meeting of 1 June 2011

SCCS - Members (CVs and Declarations) - List of members and declarations of interests updated

SCCS - Draft Agenda for the 11th plenary meeting, Brussels, 21 June 2011

SCCS - Minutes of 12th Working Group on Nanomaterials in Cosmetic Products - Meeting of 27 April 2011

SCCS - Minutes of 18th Working Group on Hair Dyes - Meeting of 24 May 2011

Tobacco

Ex smokers are unstoppable! The new anti-tobacco campaign funded by the European Commission Statement by John Dalli, European Commissioner for Health and Consumer Policy, on the occasion of World No Tobacco Day

Q&A: The Fight Against Tobacco in the EU Press release

Detailed overview of Member States' smoke-free regulations

9. EU Health Policy Forum – NEWS –

http://ec.europa.eu/health/interest_groups/eu_health_forum/policy_forum/index _en.htm

The aim of the Health Policy Forum is to bring together umbrella organisations representing stakeholders in the health sector to ensure that the EU's health strategy is open, transparent and responds to the public concerns. The intention is to provide an opportunity to organise consultations, to exchange views and experience on a wide range of topics, and to assist in implementation and follow-up of specific initiatives. In new section of our newsletter, we present you with the latest news of the EU Health policy forum. For more information, please visit the website of the Forum.

Green Paper modernising the professional qualifications Directive

Please find attached a link to the Green Paper modernising the professional qualifications Directive (2005/36/EC) adopted by the Commission on 22 of June. The Green Paper outlines possible ways

forward that are of particular relevance to the health sector. For instance, the introduction of a professional card closely linked to the Internal Market Information System (IMI) could make it considerably easier for professionals to have their qualifications recognised in another Member State. A professional card issued by a competent authority in the professional's home Member State could then allow the professional to demonstrate his/her credentials (having the necessary qualifications, being authorised to practise) to consumers, employers and relevant authorities in another Member State.

Similarly, stakeholders are invited to give their input on two options for an alert system for health professionals: Either extending the alert mechanism as foreseen under the Services Directive to all professionals, including health professionals, whereby the initiating Member State would decide to which other Member States the alert should be addressed, or introducing the wider and more rigorous alert obligation for Member States to immediately alert all other Member States if a health professional is no longer allowed to practise due to a disciplinary sanction.

In addition, the minimum training requirements of certain professions (including some health professions) could be reformed. To that end, certain adjustments to the duration and content of training, as well as possibly changing the requisite language skills for health professions, could be necessary. This would also strengthen the legitimacy of automatic recognition of qualifications. Stakeholders are invited to respond to the consultation by 20 September 2011. The Green Paper can be found under the link below, where also the replies can be posted. It is currently available in English, French and German, but the remaining language versions will follow shortly.

http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/consultations/2011/professional_qualifications_directive_en.htm The corresponding press relaease can be found here:

http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/767&format=HTML&aged=0&languag e=EN&guiLanguage=en

10. European Centre for Diseases Control

This month you will find: ECDC rapid risk assessment Outbreak of Shiga toxin-producing E. coli (STEC) in Germany

ECDC corporate Excellence in prevention and control of infectious diseases Surveillance report Sexually transmitted infections in Europe 1990-2009

Technical report Mastering the basics of TB control - Development of a handbook on TB diagnostic methods

Mission report Increased influx of migrants at the Greek-Turkish border, April 2011, ECDC/WHO Regional Office for Europe joint mission report

Web items Spotlight on Chlamydia: High numbers, low awareness (updated) Weekly influenza surveillance overview Scientific advances (selected papers on travel medicine)

Eurosurveillance, Volume 16, Issue 22, 02 June 2011

In this issue: An update on the ongoing outbreak of haemolytic uraemic syndrome in Germany and a report on the emergence of carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae in France This week's table of contents:

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS Update on the ongoing outbreak of haemolytic uraemic syndrome due to Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) serotype O104, Germany, May 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19883

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Hepatitis B prevention in Victoria, Australia – the potential to protect http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19879

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Emergence of carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae in France, 2004 to 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19880

Clusters of infectious diseases in German nursing homes – observations from a prospective infection surveillance study, October 2008 to August 2009 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19881

NEWS

European Scientific Conference on Applied Infectious Disease Epidemiology (ESCAIDE) 2011 – call for abstracts http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19882

Eurosurveillance, Volume 16, Issue 23, 09 June 2011

In this issue:

A report analysing emerging Neisseria meningitidis serogroup Y isolates causing invasive meningococcal disease in Sweden

This week's table of contents:

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Increased detection in Australia and Singapore of a novel influenza A(H1N1)2009 variant with reduced oseltamivir and zanamivir sensitivity due to a S247N neuraminidase mutation http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19884

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Genetic characterisation of the emerging invasive Neisseria meningitidis serogroup Y in Sweden, 2000 to 2010 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19885

Pandemic influenza A(H1N1)2009 in Morocco: experience of the Mohammed V Military Teaching Hospital, Rabat, 12 June to 24 December 2009

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19887

NEWS

Information resources and latest news about the Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) outbreak in Germany available from ECDC http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19886

EFSA publishes scientific report on the public health risk of Shiga-toxin producing Escherichia coli (STEC) in fresh vegetables

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19888

Eurosurveillance, Volume 16, Issue 24, 16 June 2011

In this issue:

Several articles addressing the current HUS outbreak in Germany, including this week's e-alert. This week's table of contents:

EDITORIALS

Enteroaggregative, Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli O104:H4 outbreak: new microbiological findings boost coordinated investigations by European public health laboratories http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19890

E-ALERT

Characteristics of the enteroaggregative Shiga toxin/verotoxin-producing Escherichia coli O104:H4 strain causing the outbreak of haemolytic uraemic syndrome in Germany, May to June 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19889

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Enhanced surveillance during a large outbreak of bloody diarrhoea and haemolytic uraemic syndrome caused by Shiga toxin/verotoxin-producing Escherichia coli in Germany, May to June 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19893

Rapidly controlled outbreak of Serratia marcescens infection/colonisations in a neonatal intensive care unit, Pescara General Hospital, Pescara, Italy, April 2011

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19892

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Intestinal parasites isolated in a large teaching hospital, Italy, 1 May 2006 to 31 December 2008 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19891

Eurosurveillance, Volume 16, Issue 24, 16 June 2011

New findings on the pathogenic features of the strain causing the German HUS outbreak and a novel diagnostic tool for its detection are released as an e-alert ahead of this week's regular issue.

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Eurosurveillance, Volume 16, Issue 25, 23 June 2011

In this issue: An editorial accompanies two articles on clinical cases related to the outbreak of haemolytic uraemic syndrome in Germany and draws attention in particular to the neurological aspects of the infection **This week's table of contents:**

EDITORIALS The new face of enterohaemorrhagic Escherichia coli infections http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19898

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Colonic ischaemia as a severe Shiga toxin/verotoxin producing Escherichia coli O104:H4 complication in a patient without haemolytic uraemic syndrome, Germany, June 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19895

Household transmission of haemolytic uraemic syndrome associated with Escherichia coli O104:H4 in the Netherlands, May 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19897

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS Surveillance of West Nile Virus Disease, Tel Aviv District, Israel, 2005 to 2010 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19894

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Seroprevalence to cytomegalovirus in the Portuguese population, 2002-2003 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19896

Full table of contents: http://www.eurosurveillance.org/

11. WHO publications

Environmental burden of disease associated with inadequate housing. Methods for quantifying health impacts of selected housing risks in the WHO European Region. Summary report (Edited by Matthias Braubach, David E Jacobs and David Ormandy)

This summary report presents key findings of the report "Environmental burden of disease associated with inadequate housing". It provides evidence that the health consequences of inadequate housing are substantial. Improving housing in a way that removes or minimizes the negative impact on health and safety and promotes a healthier living environment is good for the residents and beneficial for society. Reducing the burden of responding to the demands on the health system attributable to inadequate housing is an obvious public health priority, but also something that makes economic sense.

The findings set out in the full report provide ample justification for the principle that health should be at the centre of housing policy. Making housing healthy, affordable and sustainable should be a prime objective of all professionals and policy-makers involved in any aspect of housing and of health. This summary and its sister publication provide the evidence they need to make it so.

For more information about the book, how to order and a link to the electronic version check: http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-publish/abstracts/environmental-burden-of-disease-associatedwith-inadequate-housing.-summary-report

European report on preventing elder maltreatment

(Edited by Dinesh Sethi, Sara Wood, Francesco Mitis, Mark Bellis, Bridget Penhale, Isabel Iborra Marmolejo, Ariela Lowenstein, Gillian Manthorpe & Freja Ulvestad Kärki)

Elder maltreatment is pervasive throughout the WHO European Region: at least 4 million elderly people are estimated to experience maltreatment in any one year and 2500 of them will die each year. Most countries in the Region have an ageing population, putting increasing numbers of people at risk. This report highlights the biological, social, cultural, economic and environmental factors that influence the risk of being a victim or perpetrator of elder maltreatment, as well as the protective factors that can help prevent it.

This report proposes a set of actions for Member States, international agencies, nongovernmental organizations, researchers, practitioners and other stakeholders to strengthen the policy response and devote adequate resources to the issue.

For more information about the book, how to order and a link to the electronic version check: http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-publish/abstracts/european-report-on-preventing-eldermaltreatment.

Review of the National Tuberculosis Programme in Ukraine

(Edited by Pierpaolo de Colombani and Jaap Veen)

Ukraine has the second-highest burden of tuberculosis in the WHO European Region. In February 2010, the Minister of Health asked WHO to review the National Tuberculosis Programme, and make recommendations that could be used to help develop the Programme plan for 2012- 2016. On 10-22 October, 13 international and 23 national experts reviewed the documents, visited institutions and interviewed people in 8 oblasts and Kyiv.

The reviewers found a range of problems. Action is urgently needed to stop the increase in multidrugand extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis (M/XDR-TB) cases, the acceleration of HIV co-infection and high nosocomial TB transmission. The report of the review includes 14 recommendations made to the Government, the Ministry of Health and its partners.

For more information about the book, how to order and a link to the electronic version check: http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-publish/abstracts/review-of-the-national-tuberculosis-programme-in-ukraine

NEW PUBLICATIONS ISSUED BY WHO - JUNE 2011

We are pleased to provide you with the list of WHO information products recently released. Please click on Just published

You can also consult our information products catalogues in pdf format or select a subject catalogue from our e-commerce web site: WHO Catalogues

Please note that our new Spring 2011 Catalogue of WHO Information Products is now available online:

World Report on Disability 2011

Now a new publication, the first ever World report on disability, produced jointly by WHO and the World Bank, reviews evidence about the situation of disabled people, and offers directions for policy and practice, which can help overcome exclusion.

Guidelines for Drinking-water Quality. Fourth Edition

This fourth edition of the World Health Organization's Guidelines for Drinking-water Quality builds on over 50 years of guidance by WHO on drinking-water quality, which has formed an authoritative basis for the setting of national regulations and standards for water safety in support of public health.

Prioritized Research Agenda for Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases (A)

Based on a series of papers commissioned by WHO, and global consultations conducted between 2008 and 2010, key research priority areas have been identified and included as part of a prioritized

research agenda for noncommunicable disease.

Selected 2-alkoxyethanols

This Concise International Chemical Assessment Document (CICAD) is a compendium of evaluations of the scientific literature on the health and environmental effects of three glycol ethers:- 2-methoxyethanol, 2-ethoxyethanol, 2-propoxyethanol and 2-butoxyethanol.

Palliative care for older people: better practices

This publication provides examples of better palliative care practices, from or relevant to the WHO European Region.

Good Practices in Asia

This report documents the good practices in harm reduction programmes in Malaysia and the progress to date in addressing the transmission of HIV among people who use drugs.

Hospital and Health Facility Emergency Exercices

This resource aims to guide hospital management in preparing for and conducting exercises for emergencies and disasters..

HIV Surveillance in the Middle East and North Africa

This handbook for surveillance officers and programme managers is designed to assist them in the planning and implementation of key components of a surveillance system for HIV infection and AIDS in a region where low-level and concentrated HIV epidemics currently predominate.

Bulletin of the World Health Organization, Vol. 89, No. 06, 2011

As the flagship periodical of WHO, the Bulletin is a leading international voice on public health issues. This peer-reviewed monthly draws on the expertise within WHO to provide a vital resource for those interested in research, policy issues and debate on international public health, particularly the problems confronting developing countries.

BOOKS IN FRENCH

Réadaptation à base communautaire : guide de RBC

Ce guide est un outil technique pour la mise en oeuvre du Programme d'action mhGAP. Outils de suivi, de supervision et d'évaluation au service des initiatives communautaires La présente publication comporte des outils de suivi, de supervision et d'évaluation des initiatives communautaires.

12. EUPHApedia – Building knowledge and capacity together



We take the liberty of providing you with an update on our new project EUPHApedia - a search engine for all public health issues, whereby we actively invite our members to upload their experiences (practice, policy, research and training/education) in the system to be shared with all our members.

There are now 2190 documents (increase of 216 documents) in EUPHApedia. We managed to get hold of the abstract book for our 1996 Conference in London and included all abstracts in EUPHApedia. Three countries are uploading information and 18 countries have accessed the information. To upload information, please contact office @eupha.org

EUPHApedia NEWS section:

29 June, 2011

Maximizing the Impacts of your Research: A Handbook for Social Scientists

This publication provides sound and evidence-based advice and guidance on how to ensure that your research achieves its maximum visibility and influence with both academic and external audiences.

15 June, 2011

Data strategies for policymaking - Identifying international good practice

This report from Rand Europe develops a conceptual framework for characterising and classifying the different elements of a data strategy for public sector organisations. This framework comprises the key questions of how to identify and define data needs, how to collect data, how to analysis and how to use data.

07 June, 2011

Health services research: helping tackle Europe's health care challenges

This policy brief provides an overview of future major research priorities based on policymakers' and researchers' views at a national and European level. It offers possible directions for improving the contribution of health services research to policy.

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