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EUPHA welcomes Council's adoption of recommendation on strengthened cooperation against vaccine-preventable diseases

The European Public Health Association (EUPHA) welcomes the adoption of a recommendation on strengthened cooperation against vaccine-preventable diseases by Health Ministers during the EPSCO Council meeting held on Friday 7 December. By adopting this recommendation, Ministers send out a clear message on the importance of maintaining high levels of coverage within the European Union. They also demonstrate the importance of continuing cooperation at European level to effectively address cross-border health threats.

During the past months EUPHA has worked to raise attention on the importance of increasing vaccine confidence by publishing a [special e-collection of articles published in the European Journal of Public Health](#) and organising a [symposium](#) with national and European experts and stakeholders.

EUPHA calls upon politicians to show their support for vaccination since this is important for building vaccine confidence in European citizens.

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The European Public Health Association, or EUPHA in short, is an umbrella organisation for public health associations in Europe. Our network of national associations of public health represents around 20'000 public health professionals. Our mission is to facilitate and activate a strong voice of the public health network by enhancing visibility of the evidence and by strengthening the capacity of public health professionals. EUPHA contributes to the preservation and improvement of public health in the European region through capacity and knowledge building. We are committed to creating a more inclusive Europe, narrowing all health inequalities among Europeans, by facilitating, activating, and disseminating strong evidence-based voices from the public health community and by strengthening the capacity of public health professionals to achieve evidence-based change.