



# 14<sup>TH</sup> EUROPEAN PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE 10 – 12 NOVEMBER 2021

## PUBLIC HEALTH FUTURES IN A CHANGING WORLD

#### EPH CONFERENCE 2021 GOES VIRTUAL

After careful consideration the EPH Conference Exexutive Board has made the decision to organize the EPH Conference 2021 as a **virtual event.** In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the future is difficult to predict at the moment. Many European countries have imposed strict lockdowns, curfews and other measures that suspend normal life and the organisation of mass events. We don't know for how long these and other restrictions will be in place. We expect that by November we still have to deal with social distancing measures which prevent us from coming together with two thousand people in one conference venue.

By going for a virtual event, we hope to provide clarity to our participants at an early stage. It will allow everyone to first focus on the new normal in their respective countries before traveling throughout Europe again.

We were looking forward to welcoming everyone in Dublin, Ireland, but we are excited to organise an innovative and engaging virtual conference that will be rewarding for both presenters and attendees.

# THEME AND PROGRAMME

The theme of the virtual EPH Conference 2021 will be 'Public health futures in a changing world'. 'Times change, and we are changed with them', as the phrase has it. Public health has changed a lot in the last thirty years. Whole subdisciplines, for example health informatics, and genetic public health, have grown up in that time. Has the core practice of public health changed? Does it need to? If so, we need to identify futures for our discipline, and figure out how to get there. If we don't, others will, and that is not necessarily for the benefit of our practice, our practitioners, or the public. We need to articulate more forcibly who we are, why we are, and why we are relevant? Subthemes of the conference include:

- Public health practice, training and workforces for the future
- Digital health person centred?
- Climate change and public health a dual role
- Learning from the pandemic, and getting ready for the next one
- Public health, social health, going back to go forwards.

The conference will be organised from Wednesday 10 until Friday 12 November. The programme will be much similar to previous EPH Conferences with plenary sessions, workshops, oral and poster presentations and Join the Networks. Most sessions will be live with interaction and moderation. All parallel sessions are 60-minutes. More information about the programme is available on our <u>website</u> shortly.

#### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION OPENS 1 FEBRUARY

Abstract submission for the virtual 14th EPH Conference 2021 is open from 1 February 2021 until 1 May 2021. Abstracts are invited for workshops, oral presentations, pitch presentations and E-posters. All sessions will be 60 minutes. Do not miss the opportunity to be recognised for your hard work. More information will be announced on our website.

#### ABSTRACT MENTORING PROGRAMME

EPH Conference offers an Abstract Mentoring Programme providing an opportunity for young and/or less experienced abstract submitters to receive feedback from experienced reviewers. The programme opens 1 February 2021 and is targeted at researchers who have limited access to colleagues to ask for guidance and comments on their proposed abstracts. More information will be announced on our website.

## REGISTRATION

Registration for the virtual 14th EPH Conference opens 1 April 2021. Registration fees will be announced on our website.

#### WCPH2020 ACCREDITATION

The 16th World Congress on Public Health (WCPH2020), virtual congress, Italy, 12 – 16 October 2020, has been accredited by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®) with 32 European CME credits (ECMEC®s). Each medical specialist should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity. To download the file please click <a href="here">here</a> to access your User Area and enter your credentials. You can download your Certificate until 1 April 2021.