



Pre-conference: Safety challenges and altered injury patterns in Europe during COVID-19 and beyond

Wednesday 10 November, 09:00 - 12:40
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Organised by:

EUPHA Injury prevention and safety promotion section

The COVID-19 pandemic has enormously affected our personal and professional lives and greatly changed the mechanism, the nature and the severity of injuries. Despite the progress made during the pre-COVID period, injury is still a leading cause of death, worldwide.

The aim of the workshop is to discuss intentional and unintentional injury risks and safety promotion issues during the global COVID-19 pandemic. It starts with the discussion of perceived risk and risk communication and their relationship with the adoption of proper preventive behaviours in the times of pandemic. Safety at home and during leisure time, violence and suicide prevention, occupational safety, injuries in vulnerable target groups (children and elderly) remain in the focus of this workshop, as well as prevention and safety strategies.

The pre-conference workshop is a regular workshop. Time for discussion is offered after every presentation, and a final discussion is proposed after all the presentations.

Programme

Moderators:

Maria Papadakaki, President EUPHA INJ, Hellenic Mediterranean University, Greece

Birute Strukcinskiene, Vice President EUPHA INJ, Klaipeda University, Lithuania

09.00 - 09.10 Introduction

09.10 - 09.35 The theoretical framework of unintentional injuries in adults: a focus on risk perception, risk communication and injury-related preventive behaviour

Christos Lionis, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Greece

09.35 – 10.00 Overview of home and leisure injury prevention in Europe

Robert Bauer, Department of Sports and Leisure Safety, KfV/Austrian Road Safety Board, Austria

10.00 – 10.25 Road traffic injuries: the new landscape after the pandemic

Maria Papadakaki, Department of Social Work, School of Health Sciences, Hellenic Mediterranean University, Greece

10.25 – 10.50 home and leisure pediatric injuries and the pandemic

Tatiana Alves, School of Health, Polytechnic Institute of Setúbal, Portugal and National Institute of Health Dr Ricardo Jorge

10.50 – 11:10 Break

11.10 – 11.35 Intentional violent events, risk management and the COVID pandemic

Lodewijk Pas, University of Leuven, Belgium, and European Family Justice Centers Association

11.35 – 12.00 Alcohol consumption and injuries

Anne Lounamaa, National Institute for Health and Welfare (THL), Finland

12.00 – 12.25 Injury prevention and safety promotion strategies, and the Safe Community concept

Birute Strukcinskiene, Department of Public Health, Faculty of Health Sciences, Klaipeda University, Lithuania

12.25 -12.40 Discussion and Closing