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‘We must act now!’ Organizations from across Europe come together to address the Planetary Health crisis being precipitated by the Earth crisis

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Planetary Health leaders unite to build transformational change

AMSTERDAM - A new network of over 72 organizations from 12 countries was activated during a convening at ARTIS on September 26-27. Representatives are aligned around the transdisciplinary field and social movement of Planetary Health, which analyzes and addresses the impacts of human disruptions to natural systems on human health and all life on Earth. The Planetary Health European Hub consists of organizations from sectors including universities, healthcare, youth, business, civil society, and more.

Co-organized by the Planetary Health Alliance (PHA) and the European Environment and Sustainable Development Advisory Councils Network (EEAC), the new hub was conceived to focus on the policy, funding, and organizational landscapes that make Europe rich in opportunities for building transformational change.

“From the European Green Deal, the Health Environment Research Agenda for Europe, to the upcoming Horizon Health 2023 Agenda, now is the time to connect the dots, build collaborations, make links within the policy community, and fund Planetary Health priorities at scale,” said Sam Myers, Director of the Planetary Health Alliance and Principle Research Scientist at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

Members of the European Hub, including Prof. Jevtic, [EUPHA Environment and health section](#) president, came together in person and online and agreed on the Hub’s principles, developed working groups to tend to plans in research, education, policy, and movement building, shared lessons learned, built relationships, and set the framework for sustaining the Hub into the future.

“Putting Planetary Health on the agenda, we, health professionals should actively support sustainability of planet and can contribute strengthening health in different ways” - Prof. Jevtic, EUPHA Environment and health section president



Group photo of the participants of the Amsterdam Planetary Health European Hub Convening 26-27 September 2022 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

For more information about the Planetary Health European Hub or to get involved, visit <https://www.planetaryhealthalliance.org/pha-regional-hubs> or follow the Planetary Health Alliance on social media [@ph_alliance](https://twitter.com/ph_alliance).

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