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1. EUPHA update

EUPHA immediate past president reacts to Austrian discussions NOT to implement a general ban on smoking

Prof. Martin McKee, immediate past president of EUPHA, has reacted in the Austrian newspaper "Der Standard" to plans of the new coalition NOT to implement the general ban on smoking. Austria was, in 2015, one of the last European countries to decide to adopt a general ban on smoking, to be implemented in 2018. With the discussions of coalition partners to set up a new government, this general ban on smoking is back on the discussion table. McKee states: "the evidence on the huge advantages of a general ban on smoking cannot and should not be ignored".

EUPHA fully supports the European Commission's Roadmap to strengthen cooperation against vaccine preventable diseases

EUPHA gave feedback to the European Commission's Roadmap to strengthen cooperation against vaccine preventable diseases. Full feedback is available here.

EUPHA supports the 2018 World Congress on Migrant Health

EUPHA is very proud to be an official supporter of the 1st World Congress on Migration, Ethnicity, Race and Health – Diversity and Health organised from 17-19 May 2018 in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Abstract Statistics

We received 673 submissions in total including 46 workshops, 520 orals and 107 posters. Many thanks for all the abstract and workshop proposals submitted which are currently under review. Keep an eye on your emails in early December when you will be informed of the outcome of your submissions. We received submissions from 58 countries.

More information can be found at: http://www.merhcongress.com/

2. European Public Health Conference


Abstract submission will open on 1 February 2018.

3. EUPHA members update

National Polish Conference on public health

The Polish Public Health Association organised a 2-day meeting in the beautiful town of Wroclaw from 30 November - 1 December. This national conference was attended by around 150 Polish, Russian, Ukrainian and Belarusian public health professionals, coming together to discuss a wide variety of topics ranging from investing in health to health care to the future of public health.
The Spanish Society for Epidemiology (SEE) urges health authorities in Spain to increase taxes to sugar-added beverages up to a 20%.

Based on the alarming obesity epidemic figures among children and adults in Spain, a working group of the SEE has elaborated a policy brief document for political parties and health authorities asking for an increase up to 20% in taxes according to the sugar content in sugar-added beverages. SEE is a member of the national umbrella organisation SESPAS.

Document of the SESPAS-OMC working group on iatrogenesis

SESPAS and the OMC have signed a collaboration agreement on the analysis, control and prevention of iatrogenesis, in view of the importance of this problem and the manifest need to minimize its impact. These concerns form part of the social legitimation of the two institutions, the first, as a confederation of professional associations in the field of public health working to improve the health of the population, and the second, as a public law entity providing support for the exercise of medicine to the benefit of the population as a whole.

http://sespas.es/wp-content/uploads/2017...

Czech Society of Social Medicine officially approved and fully support Stockholm Declaration

On 5 December, the Czech Society of Social Medicine officially approved and fully support Stockholm Declaration. The Stockholm Declaration hereby welcomes the 15th signatory of the declaration.

4. European Journal of Public Health

The European Journal of Public Health is a multidisciplinary journal in the field of public health. The EJPH is published bimonthly. The journal provides a forum for discussion and debate of current international public health issues with a focus on the European region. In 2017, the impact factor of the journal is at 2.431. The 5-year impact factor is 2.664. The EJPH is the official journal of EUPHA.

E-collection: Alcohol Consumption and Harmful Use of Alcohol

"Alcohol consumption, and with it the burden of alcohol-related disease, is higher in Europe than anywhere in the world," write the authors of the latest e-collection from European Journal of Public Health.

This fascinating e-collection includes a special introduction and was created as EUPHA's support to its Estonian member, the Estonian Health Promotion Union. During the second half of 2017, Estonia holds the Presidency of the Council of the European Union. Alcohol is a topic high on the agenda of the presidency and this e-collection serves as a robust evidence-base and valuable resource for public health researchers, advocates, and policy makers across Europe.

https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/pages/ha...

5. Call for proposals, job opportunities

European Commission funds European Training Network for Healthcare Performance Intelligence Professionals (HealthPros) : 13 PhD positions available from Summer 2018

A new generation of healthcare professionals is needed to support healthcare systems to achieve a balance between improving the health of populations, delivering quality care for individuals, and containing costs. To meet this need, a European "Marie Sklodowska-Curie Innovative Training Networks" grant has been awarded to the Healthcare Performance Intelligence Professional (HealthPros) Consortium, led by the Academic Medical Centre of the University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands; coordinator; D. Kringos, N. Klazinga), North Denmark Region/Aalborg University Hospital (Denmark; J. Mainz, S.P. Johnsen), Optimedis AG (Germany; O. Groene), University of Surrey (United Kingdom; S. de Lusignan, F. Carinci), Scuola Superiori di Studi Universitari e di Perfezionamento Sant'Anna (Italy; S. Nuti, A. Murante), Corvinus University of Budapest (Hungary; L. Gulácsi, P. Baji), and the University of Toronto (R. Cockerill) / Canadian Institute for Health Information (Canada; K. Morris).
Starting in January 2018, the consortium will train 13 PhD candidates into a first generation of Healthcare Performance Intelligence Professionals (HealthPros) that can make effective use of available healthcare performance data in countries to improve integrated service delivery, patient engagement, equality in access to healthcare, health outcomes, and reduce waste in healthcare. The HealthPros Training Network will provide an innovative 3-years programme of collaborative, multidisciplinary and entrepreneurial training to the PhD candidates. Through innovative research, HealthPros will develop tools and implement methods to streamline healthcare performance measurement, the development and application of performance-based governance mechanisms and effective use of Healthcare Performance Intelligence by different end-users, that match the different health care systems in the Netherlands, Denmark, Germany, UK, Italy, Hungary and Canada, and will support the transferability of the tools and methods to other countries.

The HealthPros consortium will start recruiting for PhD positions in January 2018. Suitable PhD candidates should be willing to be based abroad, not have more than 4 years of research experience, and not have a doctoral degree.

Read more about the HEALTHPROS Project: http://cordis.europa.eu/search/result_en?q=healthpros
For more info on the recruitment process, please contact d.s.kringos@amc.uva.nl

University of Porto, Institute of Public health: research opportunities

Research Grant - Master Framework: Project "Diabetes and obesity at the crossroads between Oncological and Cardiovascular diseases – a system analysis NETwork towards precision medicine (DOConet)". Scientific area: Public Health/Epidemiology Call start and finish dates: January 2nd to January 16th 2018. Read more

Research Grant - Master Framework: Project "How childhood social adversity shapes health: The biology of social adversity" Scientific area: Health Sciences Call start and finish dates: January 2nd to January 16th 2018. Read more

Seeking 15 Early Stage Researchers (ESRs) for a funded ITN in the field of AGEISM

A new Marie-Curie Innovative Ph.D. Training Program (ITN) funded by the European Commission under Horizon 2020 is opening up in the field of ageism. The overall goal of the program is to bridge between science and policy in the field of ageism and to produce professionals who can take a variety of positions, along the science-policy continuum. We are seeking 15 excellent early stage researchers (ESRs) for a 3-year fully funded Ph.D. program in the research areas of: Psychology, sociology, social psychology, political sciences, social work, economy, clinical pharmacy, engineering, design, social networks, geography, nursing, gerontology, gender studies, labor studies, anthropology, law and related fields.

The EuroAgeism network has 15 vacancies for highly skilled Ph.D. students. Our ESRs will be enrolled in a PhD programme which is supported by unique training that provides direct experience in policy, health and social care, and multi-disciplinary research. International training schools will be held for the development of transferable skills and to facilitate the exchange of knowledge between ESRs and policy stakeholders. Successful candidates will be paid a highly competitive salary for a period of three years.

The EuroAgeism consortium is a €4 million Marie Skłodowska-Curie– Innovative Training Network (ITN) – funded by the European Commission, under the H2020 program and coordinated by Bar Ilan University. The consortium is composed of academic, governmental, non-governmental, inter-governmental, and health and social care organizations. Countries involved in the consortium include Israel, the Czech Republic, Poland, Sweden, Finland, the U.K., the Netherlands and Belgium. ESRs also are expected to attend internship (secondment) in various academic and non-academic institutions, located in Ireland, the U.K., Israel, Belgium, Austria, and Switzerland. For further information: Liat Ayalon: Liat.Ayalon@biu.ac.il

6. Interesting news

Regulators should not consider 'lost pleasure' of quitting smoking

Federal officials considering new regulations on tobacco products should give more weight to the fact that a majority of smokers are unhappy about feeling addicted to cigarettes, and should put less emphasis on the theory that smokers who quit are losing 'pleasure' in their lives, according to a recent study.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...
Plain cigarette packaging may reduce incorrect impression of product’s safety
An online survey of 900 consumers of three of the United States’ most popular cigarette brands suggests that adopting standardized cigarette packing may reduce consumers’ misconceptions that some cigarettes are less harmful than others, researchers report.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

How the UK smoking ban increased wellbeing
Married women with children reported the largest increase in well-being following the smoking bans in the UK in 2006 and 2007 but there was no comparable increase for married men with children.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

E-cig use increases risk of beginning tobacco cigarette use in young adults
Young adults who use electronic cigarettes are more than four times as likely to begin smoking tobacco cigarettes within 18 months as their peers who do not vape, according to new research. The findings demonstrate that e-cigarettes are serving as a gateway to traditional smoking, contrary to their purported value as a smoking cessation tool. The study is the first nationally representative survey that followed for more than a year people 18 to 30 years old who were initially nonsmokers.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

Health thinking in the built environment
2017 is the Year of Climate Change and Health, a 12-month APHA-led initiative with monthly themes related to the health impacts of climate change. December’s theme encourages cross-sector partnerships to #ActOnClimate.
http://www.publichealthnewswire.org/

Social media trends can predict tipping points in vaccine scares
Analyzing trends on Twitter and Google can help predict vaccine scares that can lead to disease outbreaks, according to a study from the University of Waterloo.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

Short intervention boosts safe-sex skills in teen girls
A recent study from North Carolina State University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill finds that a 45-minute online sexual health program improved the ability of teen girls to communicate effectively about safe sex.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

7. Upcoming courses and conferences
Going International is the first source for finding courses, seminars, congresses and other events in the fields of medicine & health. Going International is Europe’s biggest service provider and information platform and serves as an interface between organisers and participants of events. Going International is an official partner of EUPHA.

Title: How to approach, analyse and use Impact Assessments in public policy
Date / location: 12 Jan 2018 / Brussels, Belgium
Organiser: Impact Assessment Institute

Title: Health and Ageing investment, European funds and human resources: the post 2020 perspective
Date / location: 18 Jan 2018 - 19 Jan 2018 / Rome, Italy
Organiser: ProMIS and the Italian Ministry of Health

Title: Pregnancy and programming and later risk of obesity
Date / location: 22 Jan 2018 / Frederiksberg, Denmark
Organiser: Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences
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<td>21 Feb 2018 / Edinburgh, United Kingdom</td>
<td>Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh</td>
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<td>2 Mar 2018 / Kent, United Kingdom</td>
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<td>Health Economics for Public Health Practice and Research</td>
<td>19 Mar 2018 - 21 Mar 2018 / Bangor, United Kingdom</td>
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<td>19th Congress of the Section of Epidemiology and Social Psychiatry of the European Psychiatric Association (EPA)</td>
<td>4 Apr 2018 - 7 Apr 2018 / Vienna, Austria</td>
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<td>Improving Mental Health Outcomes 2018 - Integrating, Coordinating and Transforming Services</td>
<td>25 Apr 2018 / Manchester, United Kingdom</td>
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<td>3 May 2018 - 6 May 2018 / Kusadasi, Turkey</td>
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<td>4th Fuse International Conference on Knowledge Exchange in Public Health</td>
<td>8 May 2018 - 10 May 2018 / Vancouver, Canada</td>
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<td>Healthy aging at the crossroads: challenges and need for further action</td>
<td>10 May 2018 - 12 May 2018 / Istanbul, Turkey</td>
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<td>1st World Congress on Migration, Ethnicity, Race and Health - Diversity and health</td>
<td>17 May 2018 - 19 May 2018 / Edinburgh, Scotland</td>
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<td>International global health and antimicrobial resistance workshop 2018</td>
<td>23 May 2018 / Geneva, Switzerland</td>
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Title: 26th International Conference on Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services  
Date / location: 6 Jun 2018 - 8 Jun 2018 / Bologna, Italy  
Organiser: Italian regional HPH network Emilia-Romagna together with WHO Collaborating Centre for Health Promotion in Hospitals and Health Care at Gesundheit Österreich GmbH (Austrian Public Health Institute)

Title: 8th International conference on Food Safety and Regulatory Measures  
Date / location: 11 Jun 2018 - 12 Jun 2018 / Barcelona, Spain

Title: 5th International One Health Congress  
Date / location: 22 Jun 2018 - 25 Jun 2018 / Saskatoon, Canada

Title: Assessing Public Health in Emergency Situations (APHES)  
Date / location: 2 Jul 2018 - 13 Jul 2018 / Brussels, Belgium  
Organiser: The Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED)

Title: 11th UCL Health and Society Summer School: Social Determinants of Health  
Date / location: 2 Jul 2018 - 6 Jul 2018 / London, United Kingdom  
Organiser: UCL

Title: 27 Summer course Europan Training Consortium Public healt and health promotion  
Date / location: 15 Jul 2018 - 27 Jul 2018 / Perugia, Italy  
Organiser: Experimental Center for Health Promotion and Education (CeSPES)

Title: Law Enforcement and Public Health Conference 2018  
Date / location: 21 Oct 2018 - 24 Oct 2018 / Toronto, Canada  
Organiser: GLEPHA

Title: 5th World Congress on Nursing and Healthcare  
Date / location: 12 Nov 2018 - 14 Nov 2018 / Toronto, Canada

Title: The future of healthy living  
Date / location: 19 Jan 2019 / Salford, United Kingdom  
Organiser: University of Salford

8. Interesting publications

https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control as a Pioneering and Learning Instrument  
http://ijhpm.com/article_3369.html

Do objective neighbourhood characteristics relate to residents’ preferences for certain sports locations? A cross-sectional study using a discrete choice modelling approach  
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

Narratives of community engagement: a systematic review-derived conceptual framework for public health interventions  
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

The Bright Elusive Butterfly of Value in Health Technology Development  
http://ijhpm.com/article_3372.html
Assessing Patient Organization Participation in Health Policy: A Comparative Study in France and Italy
http://ijhpm.com/article_3351.html

Handbook of Small States
Prof. Lino Briguglio has edited a Routledge publication on small states, covering economic, social and environmental issues. The book contains chapters authored by Maltese academics mostly from the Department of Economics.

The Handbook of Small States: Economic, Social and Environmental Issues contains a wide spectrum of issues relating to small states. The economics sections include chapters dealing with trade, finance and regulatory frameworks, while the social theme covers health, migration, population ageing, as well as overall social well-being. The environmental theme examines matters such as measuring environmental performance, natural disasters, the ocean economy, and the validity of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The book can therefore be considered as a wide-ranging depositary of information on small states with the aim of deriving policy prescriptions, and thus as an excellent resource for academics, students and policymakers.
https://www.um.edu.mt/newspoint/news/fea...

Bidirectional associations between psychosocial well-being and adherence to healthy dietary guidelines in European children: prospective findings from the IDEFICS study
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

Health Priorities in French-Speaking Swiss Cantons
http://ijhpm.com/article_3396.html

Interactional justice at work is related to sickness absence: a study using repeated measures in the Swedish working population
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

HIV/AIDS surveillance in Europe 2017 - 2016 data
Although HIV is preventable through effective public health measures, significant HIV transmission continues in Europe. In 2016, 29,444 people were diagnosed with HIV in the 31 countries of the EU/EEA, with a rate of 5.9 per 100,000. The rate was higher among men than women (8.9 versus 2.6 cases per 100,000 population).
Available here.

Life satisfaction and longitudinal changes in physical activity, diabetes and obesity among patients with cardiovascular diseases
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

Success and failure in narrowing the disability employment gap: comparing levels and trends across Europe 2002-2014
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

Views of policy makers and health promotion professionals on factors facilitating implementation and maintenance of interventions and policies promoting physical activity and healthy eating
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

The Ottawa Charter 30 years on: still an important standard for health promotion
S. R. Thompson, M. C. Watson and S. Tilford
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To link to this article: https://doi.org/10.1080/14635240.2017.1415765 Published online 21 December 2017
The health-related social costs of alcohol in Belgium
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

Population cigarette consumption in Great Britain: novel insights using retail sales data
https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...

9. European Commission news

Increasing vaccination: consulting the public on possible EU actions
The Commission launches a public consultation on possible activities to be included in a proposal for stronger EU cooperation against vaccine preventable diseases, which will be adopted in 2018. Interested individuals and organisations are invited to have their say by 15 March 2018.
http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/news...

Implementation of the 7th Environment Action Programme - Mid-term review
The 7th Environment Action Programme (7th EAP) is the long term overarching strategy of the EU and its Member States in the field of environment and climate change. It covers a seven-year time frame (between 2014 and 2020) and is the first to set a long-term vision for policy-making in the field, until 2050. This European Implementation Assessment found that while the EAP scope remains relevant to current needs and adds value to EU and national policy-making efforts, its objectives are unlikely to be fully met by 2020, despite sporadic progress in some areas. Another key finding in this document is that environmental and climate-related concerns are not sufficiently integrated into a number of EU policies. These findings were made on the basis of publicly available sources of information (specifically aimed at informing the evaluation of the 7th EAP) and views shared in the course of the targeted stakeholder consultation in support of this document.
http://www.europarl.europa.eu/thinktank/...

Tobacco control: Joint Action Kick-off meeting, Athens, 12-13 December 2017
The kick-off meeting of the Joint Action on Tobacco Control (JATC) took place 12-13 December in Athens, Greece, in the presence of President of the Hellenic Republic, Mr Prokopios Pavlopoulos and Greek Minister of Health, Mr Andreas Xanthos. The Commission will be represented by the EU Representation in Athens and officials from the Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety. More information on tobacco control in the EU.

Health Programme 2014-2020: Work Programme for 2018 to focus resources on European Reference Networks for rare diseases, health promotion and mitigating cross-border health threats
On 13 December 2017 the Commission adopted the Health Programme’s Work Programme for 2018 (WP 2018) setting out the priorities and actions to be undertaken during that year. The WP 2018 will focus on priority areas such as support to the European Reference Networks for rare and complex, the promotion of health and prevention of chronic and major diseases, strengthening preparedness and response to serious cross-border health threats, and the implementation of EU legislation on medical devices.
WP 2018 is available here.

Rules for Tobacco tracking & tracing system adopted
ensures that EU countries and economic operators need to enact to put in place the EU-wide tracking and tracing system planned for under the Tobacco Products Directive (2014/40/EU) (articles 15 and 16) have been clarified in secondary legislation adopted by the Commission 15 December 2017.
For more information go here.

Set down the cookbook and get cooking! Putting health policies into practice
Deputy Director-General of the European Commission’s Health and Food Safety Directorate General Martin Seychell is the chair of the Steering Group on Health Promotion, Disease Prevention and Management of Non Communicable Diseases.
Read the full focus of this edition by clicking the link below.
http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/dae/redirec...
10. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news

Eurosurveillance - Volume 22, Issue 49, 07 December 2017
Rapid communication
Factors associated with four atypical cases of congenital syphilis in England, 2016 to 2017: an ecological analysis

Surveillance and outbreak report
Investigation using whole genome sequencing of a prolonged restaurant outbreak of Salmonella Typhimurium linked to the building drainage system, England, February 2015 to March 2016
Analysis of OXA-204 carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae reveals possible endoscopy-associated transmission, France, 2012 to 2014
Burkholderia stabilis outbreak associated with contaminated commercially-available washing gloves, Switzerland, May 2015 to August 2016

Research article
Assessment of HIV molecular surveillance capacity in the European Union, 2016

Eurosurveillance - Volume 22, Issue 50, 14 December 2017
Rapid communication
Influenza A(H3N2) virus variants and patient characteristics during a summer influenza epidemic in Taiwan, 2017
Cross-border outbreak of listeriosis caused by cold-smoked salmon, revealed by integrated surveillance and whole genome sequencing (WGS), Denmark and France, 2015 to 2017

Surveillance and outbreak report
Re-evaluation of a 2014 multi-country European outbreak of Salmonella Enteritidis phage type 14b using recent epidemiological and molecular data
Secular trends in incidence of acute gastroenteritis in general practice, France, 1991 to 2015

Research article
A benefit–risk analysis of rotavirus vaccination, France, 2015
Epidemiology of hand, foot and mouth disease in China, 2008 to 2015 prior to the introduction of EV-A71 vaccine

11. WHO news

New: WHO SDG Newsletter
Recent health-related articles and publications from PubMed and IRIS will be shared with you each month. Items are classified according to their relevance to particular Sustainable Development Goals. Directly click on titles to access full-text articles.
https://who.us15.list-manage.com/track/c... 

WHO guidelines on use of medically important antimicrobials in food-producing animals
These guidelines present evidence-based recommendations and best practice statements on use of medically important antimicrobials in food-producing animals, based on the WHO list of critically important antimicrobials for human medicine (WHO CIA List). These guidelines aim primarily to help preserve the effectiveness of medically important antimicrobials, particularly those antimicrobials judged to be critically important to human medicine and also help preserve the effectiveness of antimicrobials for veterinary medicine, in direct support of the WHO global action plan on antimicrobial resistance.
http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...

World AIDS Day 2017: in the European Region, late HIV diagnosis affects 1 in 2 people living with HIV. ECDC and WHO urge improvement in testing practices
The WHO European Region is the only region worldwide where the number of new HIV infections is rising. With more than 160 000 people newly diagnosed with HIV across the Region, including more
than 29,000 new cases from the European Union and European Economic Area (EU/EEA), this trend continued in 2016. One reason for this worrying trend: over half (51%) of the reported HIV diagnoses happen in a late stage of infection. In addition to prioritizing prevention, WHO calls for urgent actions to improve HIV testing and practices and to treat all, and will continue supporting its Member States to this end.

Civil society and health
Scott L. Greer, Matthias Wismar, Gabriele Pastorino, Monika Kosinska
WHO Regional Office for Europe
Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) can make a vital contribution to public health and health systems, but harnessing their potential is complex in a Europe where government-CSO relations vary so profoundly. This study is intended to outline some of the challenges and assist policy-makers in furthering their understanding of the part CSOs can play in tandem and alongside government. To this end it analyses existing evidence and draws on a set of seven thematic chapters and six mini case studies. They examine experiences from Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Belgium, Cyprus, Finland, Germany, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, the Russian Federation, Slovenia, Turkey and the European Union and make use of a single assessment framework to understand the diverse contexts in which CSOs operate.
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Safety evaluation of certain food additives and contaminants
Eighty-second Meeting of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA)
WHO Food Additives Series, No 73
This volume contains monographs prepared at the eighty-second meeting of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA), which met in Geneva, Switzerland, from 7 to 16 June 2016. This volume and others in the WHO Food Additives series contain information that is useful to those who produce and use food additives and veterinary drugs and those involved with controlling contaminants in food, government and food regulatory officers, industrial testing laboratories, toxicological laboratories and universities.
http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...

Women on the move. Migration, care work and health
World Health Organization
Published online: November 2017
A global paradox is emerging in which care workers - who are largely migrant women, often working in informal home settings - make a considerable contribution to public health in many countries but are themselves exposed to health risks, face barriers to accessing care, and enjoy few labour and social protections. WHO has produced a new report which casts a wide net across disciplines – health, labour, employment, social protection, social services, law, immigration, cross-border movement and citizenship – to shed light on a particular population group that both provides care as well as needs it to maintain their own health and well-being. It looks at the lives of these migrant women care workers as well as the situation for their households left behind. It takes a transnational perspective appropriate to our interconnected world.
http://who.int/gender-equity-rights/know...

Challenging the supply chain to reduce sugar in foods
WHO has published a new study that investigates why manufacturers and other supply chain actors use sugar in foods and why they use it in such large amounts. The publication “Incentives and disincentives for reducing sugar in manufactured foods: an exploratory supply chain analysis” concludes that a comprehensive approach encompassing the entire food system is necessary in order to reduce sugar intake. WHO produced the report in response to the growing issue of consumption of excess free sugars throughout the WHO European Region. Consuming excess free sugars is associated with weight gain for adults and children.
http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics...
Member States adopt resolution to move towards a sustainable health workforce
At the 67th session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe, Member States adopted resolution EUR/RC67/R5 to accelerate efforts towards achieving a sustainable health workforce. 
http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics...