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1. EUPHA update

**EUPHA supports the Mexico Declaration for circulatory health**

The Mexico Declaration is a historic circulatory health declaration that was signed by leading global organisations at the World Congress of Cardiology and Cardiovascular Health 2016. The Declaration, reproduced in full below, is a firm commitment to tackle cardiovascular disease (CVD), the world’s leading cause of premature death, recognizing that global action, national plans and a common vision are needed to achieve this.

**World No Tobacco Day - We Care**

For the World No Tobacco Day, EUPHAnxt and EUPHA launched the 'we care' campaign, asking everyone in the network to contribute to build a smoke-free world by talking to at least one smoker (a friend, a relative, or even a stranger) and:

- inform him/her how important he/she is for future society; and
- suggest him/her to stop smoking.

This campaign lead to a number of reactions in our network including a large number of national campaigns on the topic.

**EUPHAnxt update**

We are very pleased to announce that one of our EUPHAnxt coordinators, Ms Tjede Funk, has successfully obtained her Master degree in Global Health at the Department of Public Health Sciences of the Karolinska Institute, Sweden. Her master thesis was on: Health Extension Workers’ experiences of working with two different follow-up recommendations for children with unclassified fever. Tjede will continue to coordinate the EUPHAnxt network.

**PhD thesis Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat**

We congratulate our president-elect, Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat, with the successful defense of her PhD thesis on 28 June at Maastricht University, The Netherlands.

2. European Public Health Conference

**9th European Public Health Conference: All for Health, Health for All**

**Austria Centre Vienna, 9 - 12 November 2016**

**Pre-conferences**

The pre-conference programme is available on the EPH Conference website. This year we offer interesting sessions on mental health and architecture, pricing of food, safety promotion, patient participation, health information, health promotion, workforce governance, public health preparedness and the results of the Joint Action on chronic diseases.

Check the preconference webpages for regular updates as the programme is still expanding. [https://ephconference.eu/2016-pre-conference-programme-235](https://ephconference.eu/2016-pre-conference-programme-235)

**Registration**

Registration for the EPH Conference is open. You can benefit from early bird registration fees until 1 September. Registration for pre-conferences is required also when they are offered free of charge to delegates.

**Abstract decisions**

The EPH Conference Executive Board met on 13 June 2016 to decide on cut-off points for workshops, oral presentations, pitch presentations and poster presentations. The following decisions were made:

Workshops 90 minutes average score of 4.950 or higher were accepted in the programme
Workshops 60 minutes average score of 4.00 or higher were accepted in the programme
Oral presentations average score of 5.00 or higher were accepted
Pitch presentations average score of 4.375 or higher were accepted
E-Poster walks average score of 4.00 or higher were accepted in the E-poster walks
E-Poster displays average score of 3.50 or higher were accepted as E-poster displays

The preliminary programme will be available shortly.

3. EUPHA members update

Message to all SSM members, and to EUPHA and FPH:
By now you will have seen the result of the UK’s referendum on membership of the European Union.

Having sought the express permission of its 500+ members, the Society for Social Medicine issued a statement on 24th May lending its public support to the “Healthier In” and “Scientists for EU” groups in favour of the UK’s continued membership of the EU. The overwhelming support received for this position – from 82% of those who voted compared to just 4% of respondents who believed that the Society should support groups backing exit from the EU – reflected the general feeling among the scientific community in the UK that membership of the EU was beneficial to the health of the UK population and for European research potential.

We are thus very disappointed by the result of the referendum that the UK should leave the EU. At this stage we are faced with uncertainty regarding the process of withdrawal. We would like to reassure you that as a Society we remain fully committed to the European Public Health Association and to maintaining good working relationships with European countries and organisations. We appreciate the invaluable contribution to research in social medicine within the UK that is made by researchers from other countries including EU nationals. The Society for Social Medicine is committed to recognition of public health as a global issue and we will work through the difficult times ahead to ensure that we continue to collaborate as fully as possible with our international partners to advance knowledge for population health.

Professor Aileen Clarke, President
On behalf of the committee of the Society for Social Medicine

French Society of Public Health: joint statement
Health must be addressed by the International climate conference COP21

Joint Declaration of the French Public Health Association, the French Society of Environmental Health, the French Medical Council, supported by their European partners: The European Public Health Association (EUPHA), Standing Committee of European Doctor (CPME), and the European Council of Medical Orders (CEOM) and their international partners: the World Medical Association (WMA), the Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL), and the Conférence Francophone des Ordres des Médecins (CFOM).

Paris, June 29, 2015

The 21st Conference of the Parties of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21) will take place in December in Paris. It is an important opportunity to tackle the impact of climate change on health by drafting a genuine universal agreement which would put health to the foreground in the debate on climate change and would reduce the serious health-related risks the world faces today. The major, future climatic phenomena represent a significant risk both for health as well as for the lives of the most vulnerable people. The consequences on individuals’ health will vary substantially depending on their economic, social and cultural background. Public health actors and the entire global medical community welcome all measures which prevent the degradation caused by climatic events, the impact of which can be observed on a daily basis (floods, storms, desertification, changes to the ecosystem for both flora and fauna – including disease vectors –, extreme weather conditions...), and which prevent the direct and indirect consequences of these
impacts on the health of individuals and populations: deaths and medical emergencies, infectious diseases, physical and mental disabilities, breakdowns within the healthcare supply chain and the existing health infrastructure, and mass displacement of populations. Any climate-related action that recognizes these challenges should maintain and improve health, benefit sustainable development and enhance worldwide equity.

The signatories are therefore concerned that the COP21 does not take health measures that are necessary to address climate-related events and consequences sufficiently into account.

On the occasion of this global summit, the signatories want to see reiterated the legitimate role and place of health professionals who are involved at many different levels in providing healthcare for the current and future victims of climate change consequences:

- In their role in the prevention of diseases caused by climate-related disasters and the promotion of public health policy at the service of the patients;
- In their role as healthcare providers for populations in emergency health situations where urgent primary health care interventions are required; and
- In addressing chronic diseases or illnesses caused by climate change.

The healthcare sector, health professionals and especially doctors should take an active role in preparing society for these challenges as well as helping to tackle the consequences. The official COP21 agenda must therefore increase the focus on health challenges and increase the involvement of health professionals.

Signatories ask the French authorities to explicitly include health in the final negotiations and commitments of COP21.

SESPAS - June update
SESPAS joined late April the Health and Trade Network in order to collaborate with other societies and experts to prevent the negative health effects from international trade agreements like the TTIP (Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, see SESPAS statement on TTIP). The society endorsed WFPHA’s A Global Charter for the Public’s Health and published a press release explaining in Spanish the aims of the charter and the importance of public health associations in aiding governments to design their health agendas.

SESPAS’ president, Prof. Beatriz González López-Valcárcel, participated in an online debate on the challenges of the Spanish health care system. And past-president Prof. Ildefonso Hernández examined in a popular blog the public health implications of the Zika virus in the context of the Olympic games in Brasil.

Following our aim to collaborate with and foster an ongoing dialogue with political representatives at a national and regional level SESPAS held successful meetings with the general directors of public health of the regions of Madrid and Navarra. In the context of the XXVII Minorca School of Public Health (19-22 September 2016), SESPAS collaborates with the international course on “Public Health Advocacy” by Prof. Simon Chapman.

Furthermore, SESPAS recently celebrated the significant increase of Gaceta Sanitaria’s impact factor, SESPAS’ scientific journal of public health, as well as the publication of “Identifying health policy priorities”, based on a panel discussion including several SESPAS’ members last year.

For more information, please visit our website http://www.sespas.es/

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 2014, the impact factor of the journal is at 2.591. The 5-year impact factor is 2.512. The EJPH is the official journal of EUPHA.


Articles

Quantifying low-value services by using routine data from Austrian primary care
Martin Sprenger, Martin Robausch, and Adrian Moser
Eur J Public Health published 16 June 2016, 10.1093/eurpub/ckw080
[Abstract]
5. Call for proposals, job opportunities

EU Expert Panel on Effective ways of Investing in Health: new terms 2016-2019

The European Commission seeks experts, covering a wide range of disciplines, to join an independent expert panel, on effective ways of investing in health, established in 2012. This panel supports the Commission by preparing opinions on new forms of healthcare models and the challenges health systems are confronted in Europe, with a view to ensure that health systems are effective, accessible and resilient. Examples of potential areas where the panel could be invited to give opinions include, but are not limited to: primary care, hospital care, integrated care models, pharmaceutical expenditure, research and development, disease prevention and health promotion, links with the social protection sector, cross-border issues, system financing, information systems, health inequalities, etc.

Members of the panel will be appointed by the Commission on the basis of their expertise in one or several areas, as described in Annex I of Decision Decision 2012/C 198/06. Members will be appointed for a period of three years, and may serve up to three consecutive terms.

More information on the application procedure and the application form are available at the following addresses:

Please note that only online applications submitted at the above addresses will be eligible.

Deadline for submitting your application: 12:00 CET on 26 July 2016

Contact information:
6. Interesting news

Course on "Public Health Advocacy" by Prof. Simon Chapman at the XXVII Minorca School of Public Health (19-22 September 2016)
The course (9 to 2.30 pm) will be divided between interactive lectures from Prof. Chapman on advocacy, particularly on media advocacy, and his recent research on the nature of influential research and researchers. All participants will participate in problem-based learning by working in small group on realistic scenarios of public health problems where advocacy is required to change public and political awareness and support. Practical information will be given on writing letters to newspapers, blogs and opinion page articles, and on strategic planning for interviews.

The course is addressed to public and community health professionals and researchers with or without experience in communicating with the media and/or politicians. There will be some mandatory pre-course tasks. All participants have to be fluent in English. The course is limited to 25 attendees, to be accepted in order of registration.


EuroHealthNet urges ministers across Europe to stimulate action to tackle poverty, social exclusion and inequalities
EuroHealthNet has welcomed the draft Council Conclusions on Combating poverty and social exclusion: an integrated approach, which is due to be discussed by national Ministers in the EPSCO Council this week (16-17 June). It congratulates the Dutch Presidency and EU Institutions for bringing forward these far-reaching Conclusions, which now should be matched by concrete actions appropriate for the unacceptable scale of “the tide” of poverty, exclusion and inequity which is faced by many millions of European people.

EuroHealthNet is particularly pleased to see that evidence to which its members and partners have contributed is being taken into account:

On rising inequalities: we note the important albeit belated acknowledgement of ‘increasing divergences between and within member States’, which reflects the growing evidence behind the core purpose of EuroHealthNet to improve health and tackle inequalities.

On integrating across sectors: we welcome the stress in the Conclusions on the role of health and long term care systems. Evidence, including from the WHO Europe 2020 strategy, shows they can contribute towards reducing poverty and exclusion as well as preventing consequences which include clear social gradients in ill-health.

On social investments: recognising fiscal constraints, EuroHealthNet commends the learning being developed within the EU Social Investment Package process and the EU Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI) programme. In particular we highlight that “the effectiveness of social protection systems could be improved by complementing universal systems with selective and individualised approaches targeted to those in need.”

On concrete actions: EuroHealthNet calls on EU Ministers and Institutions to step up and ensure integration of the EU 2020 priority objectives with the universal UN Sustainable Development Goals to support common approaches; and to integrate innovative thinking on the potential new EU Pillar on Social Rights via the current public consultation, in which it is acknowledged that “the EU does not have the competence to adopt legislation for the combatting of social exclusion”.

Therefore all other measures in the Acquis, including effective use of funding programmes such as ESIF[x] and EFSI[x] by all stakeholders, should be brought to bear in much more integrated ways. EuroHealthNet Policy Director Clive Needle said “The Conclusions are right to state that ‘it is time to turn the tide’ to prioritise the many millions of European citizens and families who are suffering most. These are the kind of integrated, inclusive approaches identified in the text and appended good practices offer that ways to achieve the EU objectives for economic and social cohesion, rights, values and wellbeing for all its peoples. Now it is up to us all to make this approach reality”.

For further information see c.needle@eurohealthnet.eu

For further information see http://eurohealthnet.eu/media/eurohealthnet-urges-ministers-across-europe-stimulate-action-tackle-poverty-social-exclusion#_edn1 or please contact Clive Needle c.needle@eurohealthnet.eu
Ageing lungs in European cohorts (ALEC Study)
This study will improve our understanding of risk factors for low lung function, respiratory disability and
the development of chronic obstructive lung disease (COPD), by using information held within existing
cohort studies. Even though COPD has long been viewed as a predominantly smoking-related
disease, there is increasing awareness that lifestyle and environment contribute to disease even from
very early in life, including before birth.
COPD is a major cause of disease, disability and death in European adults and lung function is a
critical objective marker of good lung health, strongly associated with other major chronic diseases (for
example, cardiovascular disease) and is a major independent determinant of overall health status.
http://www.alecstudy.org/

State of Health in the EU
Commissioner Andriukaitis announces the State of Health in the EU initiative
With this package, the Commission will bring together internationally recognised expertise with the aim to provide Member
States with evidence on health that is relevant to their specific country context and can maximise the
effectiveness, accessibility and resilience of their health systems.

Pictures warning of smoking dangers on cigarette packs increased quit attempts
Affixing pictures on cigarette packets to illustrate the danger of smoking increased attempts by
smokers to quit, according to the results of a clinical trial.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

Level of education in a given country correlates well with life expectancy at birth
The level of education in a given country correlates well with life expectancy at birth, according to a
new study published in the International Journal of Innovation and Learning. The researchers suggest
that educating the young as well as encouraging lifelong learning could both improve the figures still
further.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

‘Traffic-light’ and numeric calorie labels cut calorie consumption by 10 percent
When researchers added color-coded or numeric calorie labels to online food ordering systems, the
total calories ordered was reduced by about 10 percent when compared to menus featuring no calorie
information at all. The study is the first to evaluate the effect of ‘traffic-light’ calorie labeling in the
increasingly common setting of ordering meals online.
https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...

Transgender rights critical for the health of 25 million transgender people worldwide
2015 was an unprecedented year in the recognition of transgender rights in some high-income
countries. However, as a new series of articles reveals, public recognition has yet to translate to a
concerted effort to support and improve the health of transgender people across the world.
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: 5th Annual International Festival of Public Health
Date / location: 1 Jul 2016 / Manchester, United Kingdom
Organiser: Manchester Urban Collaboration on Health

Title: Economics of Health Inequality
Date / location: 4 Jul 2016 - 8 Jul 2016 / Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Organiser: Rotterdam Summers School Platform
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<td>EURADIA summer research meeting: Sustainable Innovation in Diabetes Research: How Europe can Rise to the Challenge</td>
<td>13 Jul 2016 / Brussels, Belgium</td>
<td>EURADIA: Alliance for European Diabetes Research</td>
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<td><strong>Observary Venice Summer School 2016</strong></td>
<td>24 Jul 2016 - 30 Jul 2016 / Island of San Servolo</td>
<td>European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies</td>
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<td><strong>35th European Course in Tropical Epidemiology</strong></td>
<td>16 Aug 2016 - 2 Sep 2016 / Lisbon, Portugal</td>
<td>Institute of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine</td>
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<td><strong>28th annual conference. Old and new risks: challenges for environmental epidemiology</strong></td>
<td>1 Sep 2016 - 4 Sep 2016 / Rome, Italy</td>
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<td><strong>Cross-cutting Informal Care and Professional Primary Care</strong></td>
<td>5 Sep 2016 - 6 Sep 2016 / Riga, Latvia</td>
<td>European Forum for Primary Care</td>
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<td><strong>The International Congress of Dietitians (ICD)</strong></td>
<td>7 Sep 2016 - 10 Sep 2016 / Granada, Spain</td>
<td>International Confederation of Dietetic Associations and Fundación Española de Dietistas-Nutricionistas</td>
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<td><strong>Introduction to Mathematical Models of the EPIDEMIOLOGY and CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES Short Course for Professionals</strong></td>
<td>12 Sep 2016 - 23 Sep 2016 / London, United Kingdom</td>
<td>Imperial College Department of Infectious Disease Epidemiolog</td>
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<td><strong>The 8th International Conference on Children’s Health and the Environment</strong></td>
<td>14 Sep 2016 - 16 Sep 2016 / Barcelona, Spain</td>
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<td><strong>12th World Conference on Injury prevention and safety promotion (from research to implementation)</strong></td>
<td>18 Sep 2016 - 21 Sep 2016 / Tampere, Finland</td>
<td>National Institute for Health and Welfare</td>
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<td>Public Health: know your limits’ – putting the public at the centre of urban health</td>
<td>19 September 2016, London, United Kingdom</td>
<td>City Health International</td>
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<td>Public Health Advocacy by Prof. Simon Chapman</td>
<td>19-22 September 2016, Minorca (Spain)</td>
<td>XXVII Minorca School of Public Health, Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo, Spanish Society of Public Health and Health Administration</td>
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<td>Summer School: Spatial Epidemiology, Climate and Health</td>
<td>26 Sep 2016 - 30 Sep 2016 / Bielefeld, Germany</td>
<td>University of Bielefeld</td>
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<td>4th International Conference on Responsible Use of Antibiotics in Animals</td>
<td>26 Sep 2016 - 28 Sep 2016 / The Hague, The Netherlands</td>
<td>Integration of animal human and environmental health</td>
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<td>Modeling Approaches for HTA: A Practical hands-on workshop</td>
<td>28 Sep 2016 - 30 Sep 2016 / Tyrol, Austria</td>
<td>UMIT - University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology</td>
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<td>The Third International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health</td>
<td>2 Oct 2016 - 5 Oct 2016 / Amsterdam, The Netherlands</td>
<td>Centre of Law Enforcement and Public Health</td>
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<td>The International Nutrition and Diagnostics Conference - INDC 2016</td>
<td>3 Oct 2016 - 6 Oct 2016 / Prague, Chech Republic</td>
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<td>Aging and Society: Sixth International Conference</td>
<td>6 Oct 2016 - 7 Oct 2016 / Norrköping, Sweden</td>
<td>National Institute for the Study of Ageing and Later Life (NISAL) and Linköping University</td>
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<td>Maastricht University Health Care Leadership Course</td>
<td>2 Nov 2016 - 5 Nov 2016 / Maastricht, The Netherlands</td>
<td>Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences, Maastricht University</td>
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<td>Healthy aging at the crossroads: challenges and need for further action</td>
<td>30 Nov 2016 - 2 Dec 2016 / Istanbul, Turkey</td>
<td>The Healthy Community Association</td>
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<td>One Health EcoHealth 2016</td>
<td>4 Dec 2016 - 7 Dec 2016 / Melbourne, Australia</td>
<td>International Association for Ecology and Health</td>
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<td>Pregnancy and programming and later risk of obesity related disease</td>
<td>12 Dec 2016 - 16 Dec 2016 / Frederiksberg, Denmark</td>
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Organiser: Graduate school of Health and Medical Sciences

Title: 
31st International Papillomavirus Conference and Clinical and Public Health Workshops (HPV 2017)
Date / location: 28 Feb 2017 - 4 Mar 2017 / Cape Town, South Africa
Organiser: International Papillomavirus Society

Title: 
15th World Congress on Public Health
Date / location: 3 Apr 2017 - 7 Apr 2017 / Melbourne, Australia
Organiser: WFPHA and Tunisian Association of Health Promotion

Title: 
The Sixth ESWI Influenza Conference
Date / location: 10 Sep 2017 - 13 Sep 2017 / Riga, Latvia
Organiser: ESWI

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

8. Interesting publications

Migrant integration policies and health inequalities in Europe
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...

Bridging the gaps: a global review of intersections of violence against women and violence against children
Alessandra Guedes, Sarah Bott, Claudia Garcia-Moreno, Manuela Colombini
Global Health Action, vol 9 (2016)
Published online: 20 June 2016
http://www.globalhealthaction.net/index....

Accidents and undetermined deaths: re-evaluation of nationwide samples from the Scandinavian countries
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...

Global healthcare use by immigrants in Spain according to morbidity burden, area of origin, and length of stay
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...

Priority-setting for achieving universal health coverage
Kalipso Chalkidou, Amanda Glassman, Robert Marten, Jeanette Vega, Yot Teerawattananon, Nattha Tritasavit, Martha Gyansa-Lutterodt, Andreas Seiter, Marie Paule Kieny, Karen Hofman, Anthony J Culyer
Bull World Health Organ 2016;94:462–467
Published online: June 2016
http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/94/6...

Social disparities in parental smoking and young children’s exposure to secondhand smoke at home: a time-trend analysis of repeated cross-sectional data from the German KiGGS study between 2003-2006
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...

Annual report of the Institute of Tropical Medicine, Antwerp, Belgium
http://www.itg.be/itg/Uploads/Communicat...
Disordered eating behavior, health and motives to exercise in young men: cross-sectional population-based MOPO study
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...

Prevalence of high-risk human papillomavirus and abnormal pap smears in female sex workers compared to the general population in Antwerp, Belgium
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...

Public Health Ethics: Cases Spanning the Globe
Editors: Drue H. Barrett, Leonard H. Ortmann, Angus Dawson, Carla Saenz, Andreas Reis, Gail Bolan
Published online: April 2016
http://bit.ly/1OcbzR4

Six Practices to Strengthen Evaluation of Global Health Research for Development
ESSENCE on Health Research
Published online: 26 May 2016
http://bit.ly/1UkelAa

The PneuVUE® report is published on the Ipsos MORI website www.ipsos-mori.com/pneu-vue_pneumonia_report and you are encouraged to share this with others to help raise awareness of pneumonia

9. European Commission news

Alcohol
Committee on National Alcohol Policy and Action (7-8 June 2016) Presentations of the meeting

Antimicrobial resistance
Andriukaitis: lack of awareness on antimicrobial resistance highlights the need to intensify EU action

Endocrine Disruptors
Commission presents scientific criteria to identify endocrine disruptors in the pesticides and biocides areas
Frequently Asked Questions: Endocrine disruptors

Expert Panel on effective ways of investing in health
Healthcare in the EU: Expert Panel on Health publishes 3 opinions and 1 memorandum
Are you qualified to provide advice on effective ways on investing in health? Apply to be a member of an independent expert panel! Deadline for submitting applications: 12:00 CET on 26 July 2016

Health systems performance assessment
6th meeting of the Expert Group on Health Systems Performance Assessment (HSPA) (7 April 2016)
Minutes of the meeting
Meeting with ESIP Health Insurance Committee on Health Technology Assessment (16 February 2016) Summary record of the meeting
Meeting with MEDEV Committee on Health Technology Assessment (14 March 2016) Summary record of the meeting

Mental health
First EU Mental Health Compass Forum (Luxembourg, 6-7 October 2016) Pre-announcement

Nutrition and physical activity
Vulnerable ‘Together’ participants are more likely to never touch a drop when pregnant or breastfeeding Zero measurement results of pilot project
Plenary meeting of the European Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health (2 June 2016) Presentations of the meeting
Outbreak of Zika Virus Disease
Meetings with the transport, tourism and health professionals sectors on the Zika virus disease on 20-21 June 2016 (20-21 June 2016) Flash report

Preparedness and response
Plenary Meeting of the Health Security Committee (7-8 June 2016) Flash report
Ad hoc expert audio conference on vaccine shortages (03 June 2016) Flash report

Tobacco Q and A on Combined health warnings

10. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news

Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 25, 23 June 2016
In this issue:
Importance of local Swedish Strategic Programme Against Antibiotic Resistance groups for local implementation of antimicrobial stewardship programmes

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS
An outbreak of a possibly new Salmonella enterica subspecies enterica serovar with the antigenic formula 11:z41:e,n,z15, Greece, March to May 2016: preliminary results
http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22511

SURVEILLANCE REPORT
Active surveillance scheme in three Romanian hospitals reveals a high prevalence and variety of carbapenemase-producing Gram-negative bacteria: a pilot study, December 2014 to May 2015
http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22510

RESEARCH ARTICLE
Repeated nationwide point-prevalence surveys of antimicrobial use in Swedish hospitals: data for actions 2003–2010
http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22509

MEETING REPORT
Meeting report: Pre-exposure Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prophylaxis in the EU/EEA: Challenges and Opportunities, Stockholm April 2016
http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22508

Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 24, 16 June 2016
In this issue:
An immunocompromised patient in Japan infected with influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 virus bearing a dual H275Y/G147R mutation enhancing cross-resistance to oseltamivir and peramivir

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS
Confirmed case of Zika virus congenital infection, Spain, March 2016
http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22506

Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 virus exhibiting enhanced cross-resistance to oseltamivir and peramivir due to a dual H275Y/G147R substitution, Japan, March 2016
http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22503

SURVEILLANCE REPORT
Clinical characteristics and public health management of invasive meningococcal group W disease in the East Midlands region of England, United Kingdom, 2011 to 2013
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11. WHO news

New publications issued by WHO – June 2016

World Health Statistics 2016
The World Health Statistics 2016 focuses on the health and health-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and associated targets. It represents an initial effort to bring together available data on SDG health and health-related indicators, providing an assessment of the situation in 2016.

This new CD-ROM contains the new Fifth Edition of The International Pharmacopoeia, 2015. The International Pharmacopoeia includes a collection of recommended procedures for analysis and specifications for the determination of pharmaceutical substances, excipients and dosage forms intended to serve as source material for reference or adaptation by any World Health Organization (WHO) Member State wishing to establish pharmacopoeial requirements.

WHO Expert Committee on Drug Dependence
The WHO Expert Committee on Drug Dependence (ECDD) is responsible for assessing psychoactive substances for possible control under the international drug control conventions. The ECDD reviews the therapeutic usefulness, the liability for abuse and dependence, and the public health and social harm potential of each substance under review.

WHO Estimates of the Global Burden of Foodborne Diseases
Up to now, the global burden of illness and deaths caused by foodborne disease has never been quantified. In order to fill this data vacuum, the World Health Organization (WHO), together with its partners, launched in 2006 the Initiative to Estimate the Global Burden of Foodborne Diseases. After an initial consultation, WHO in 2007 established a Foodborne Disease Burden Epidemiology Reference Group (FERG) to lead the initiative.

Birth Defects Surveillance Training
The goal of this course is to provide participants with the foundational skills needed to begin the development, implementation and ongoing improvement of a congenital anomalies surveillance programme, in particular for countries with limited resources. It focuses on the methodology needed to develop either population-based or hospital-based surveillance programmes.

Public Health Panorama Vol. 2, No. 1, March 2016
This bilingual English/Russian peer-reviewed journal produced by the WHO Regional Office for Europe gives access to scientists and public health practitioners for the publication of lessons learned from the field, as original research work, to facilitate the use of evidence and good practice for public health action.

Books in French
Surveillance des anomalies congénitales
Ce manuel est destiné à servir d’outil pour aider à l’élaboration, à la mise en œuvre et à l’amélioration continue de programmes de surveillance des anomalies congénitales, en particulier pour les pays à ressources limitées.

Surveillance des anomalies congénitales : atlas de certaines anomalies congénitales
Cet Atlas de certaines anomalies congénitales va de pair avec le document Surveillance des
anomalies congénitales : un manuel pour les administrateurs de programme. Il est destiné à aider à l'élaboration, la mise en œuvre et l'amélioration continue de programmes de surveillance des anomalies congénitales, en particulier dans les pays où les ressources financières et humaines sont limitées.

**Books in Spanish**

Vigilancia de anomalías congénitas: manual para gestores de programas
Las anomalías congénitas, también conocidas como defectos de nacimiento, son anormalidades estructurales o funcionales (como los trastornos metabólicos) que están presentes desde el nacimiento. Constituyen un grupo variado de afecciones de origen prenatal que pueden deberse a defectos monogénicos, alteraciones cromosómicas, herencia multifactorial, teratógenos ambientales o malnutrición por carencia de micronutrientes.

Vigilancia de anomalías congénitas: atlas de algunos defectos congénitos
Este Atlas de algunos defectos de nacimiento complementa el texto Vigilancia de anomalías congénitas. Manual para gestores de programas y se ha concebido como ayuda para la elaboración, la aplicación y la mejora permanente de programas de vigilancia de anomalías congénitas, en particular en países con recursos humanos y económicos limitados.