

**EUPHA section Health Impact assessment (HIA)  
Report  
2018**

During year 2018 the following activities were completed by the section:

- At the 11<sup>th</sup> EPH conference in Ljubljana following two 90-minutes workshops were submitted and accepted:
  - Skill building seminar on “How can the quality of the coverage of health in impact assessment be assured?”
  - “Place matters! Local assessments for the development of healthy public policies and actions”. A joint workshop with EUPHA section Public Health Monitoring and Reporting, EUPHA section Urban Health and EUPHA section Environment and health.
- Odile Mekel attended the EUPHA section council meeting in February 2018 in Utrecht and will participate in the section council conference evaluation meeting as well as the international scientific committee meeting at the EPHC in Ljubljana
- Communication with section members via e-mail
- The section is participating in EUPHA’s Green Club
- Based on the joint EUPHA section publication “Health assessments for health governance – Concepts and methodologies”<sup>1</sup> a contribution “Relating population health monitoring to other types of health assessments” to the textbook “Population health monitoring”, edited by M. Verschuuren & H. van Oers was prepared and will be published soon.
- The EUPHA HIA-section partners, together with the Health section of IAIA (International Association of Impact Assessment) and the WHO European Centre for Environmental Health (WHO-ECEH), are involved in drafting a position paper on principles for the coverage of population and human health within the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) procedure. In preparing such document, the partnership between EUPHA, IAIA and WHO are collaborating in the design and delivery of a special workshop on “population and human health” that is expected to take place in early March 2019 in Bonn, with follow up for a larger audience at the EPHC in Marseille. EIA”. The partnership of the three organizations builds on earlier work in jointly writing and publishing a report on health in other impact assessments<sup>2</sup>.
- The Join the Network meeting of the section will be held at the 11<sup>th</sup> EPH conference on 30<sup>th</sup> of November in Ljubljana. Focus will lie on activities during the next EPHC in Marseille.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/article/doi/10.1093/eurpub/ckx062/3861126/Health-assessments-for-health-governanceconcepts?guestAccessKey=7c25f697-c70e-4fad-bab4-6f5621b4208e>

<sup>2</sup> Health in impact assessments: opportunities not to be missed. Eds: Fehr R, Viliani F, Nowacki J and Martuzzi M. 2014 ([http://www.euro.who.int/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0011/261929/Health-in-Impact-Assessments-final-version.pdf](http://www.euro.who.int/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/261929/Health-in-Impact-Assessments-final-version.pdf))