



## Annual report 2017-2018

### EUPHA section on Ethics in Public Health (EUPHA-ET)

#### Activities at the EPH conference 2017

##### *I. Conference 2017*

The following activities from ETH were conducted.

- a. Round table: The Moral Mandate of Public Health - Back to Basics? (UK FPH with ETH).
- b. Skills building seminar: Conquering the mountain: writing an institutional review board proposal (with EUPHANxt).
- c. Workshop: The cutting edge of Health Technology Assessment: Information and Communication Technologies (HTA section with ETH).

The impression of the three activities and the feedback received regarding the activities was overall very positive.

##### *II. JTN 2017*

Peter Schröder-Bäck as president and Els Maeckelberghe as Vice President were re-elected for the next three years. Together with Caroline Vass MFPH (Specialty Registrar Public Health, Wessex, United Kingdom), they build the steering committee of the ETH.

Ideas were collected and working groups were built to plan the 2018 conference:

- Research Ethics (coordinator: Els Maeckelberghe)
- What do practitioners want from ethics? (coordinator: Caroline Vass)
- Migrant Health and ethics (coordinator: Farhang Tahzib)
- NGOs and ethical regulations (coordinator: Peter Schröder-Bäck)
- Teaching ethics (coordinator: Peter Schröder-Bäck)
- Resource Allocation (coordinator: Peter Schröder-Bäck)



## **Other activities**

- The ethics section is represented in the special issue of the EJPH on the occasion of 25 years of EUPHA with a paper that also looks back on the activities of the section. The paper is called: “Ethics in Public Health: Call for Shared Moral Public Health Literacy” and co-authored by Els Maeckelberghe and Peter Schröder-Bäck.
- The section updated, in collaboration with EUPHA office, the CODE OF GOOD EUPHA PRACTICE FOR THE COLLABORATION WITH PARTNERS AND COMMERCIAL CONTRIBUTORS.
- The section drafted, in collaboration with EUPHA office, the CODE OF GOOD EPH Conference Foundation PRACTICE FOR THE COLLABORATION WITH PARTNERS AND COMMERCIAL CONTRIBUTORS
- Members of the ETH section contribute as reviewers to the European J Public Health.

## **Goals for 2018**

A central goal is the successful collaboration at the 2018 conference. The following ETH workshops were successful:

- Workshop: Corporations, conflict of interest and the impacts on public health in the global south
- Round table: Migration, Ethics and public’s health on planet earth
- Round table: Code of practice for my nanny and me in an interconnected world
- Workshop: Public Health Research Ethics: Current Challenges
- Workshop: Prioritization in Public Health: new insights in the frame of Health Technology Assessment

## **Annual meeting 2018**

The planning of the 2019 conference will be in the focus. The section has also offered the EUPHA and EPH conference leadership support to substantiate the conference theme (“solidarity”) from an ethical perspective.

## **General communications with section members**

Offers of cooperation for the Ljubljana conference working groups was offered. Respondents were included in the working groups.



### **Collaborations with ETH partners and International participation in events on behalf of EUPHA**

- The UK Faculty of Public Health (FPH) has prepared and conducted a workshop on ethics for the Migrant, Ethnicity, Race and Health World Congress 2018 co-organised by EUPHA. The ethics section supported the workshop preparation of the UK PHF. A spin off of this meeting will be a workshop in Ljubljana.
- Further collaboration with the UK FPH in the field of Public Health Ethics are planned for 2018 (e.g. a workshop on ethics in Belfast in September 2018).

*Peter Schröder-Bäck & Els Maeckelberghe, 08.2018*