

Annual report 2019

EUPHA section on Ethics in Public Health (EUPHA-ETH)

Goals for 2019

The main goals for 2019 are:

- To conduct a survey among EUPHA members, in cooperation with the UK Public Health Faculty (who is leading on the survey and its analysis). The Survey is on education and challenges of education of public health ethics. It shall help to better understand current activities, views and perspectives on the issue. This understanding will assist in considering options for further development of education and training in public health ethics. Results shall be presented at the 2020 EPH conference and shall be published in a journal article. The results will help to further form the activities of EUPHA-ETH and make the section a helpful resource for EUPHA and particularly section members. The survey is complementary to a survey among ASPHER institutions that was conducted by the same group (thus with EUPHA-ETH support).
- For the 2019 EPH conference, only a limited number of submitted proposals for workshops / roundtables was accepted. This has to improve for the next conference. Thus, we will get more actively groups of contributors together for strong proposals for the 2020 conference.
- Given the second term of the section's President and Vice President comes to an end at the EPH2020 conference, the call of interest for future candidates has to be launched during this year's conference. It will be announced during the JTN and also via email among members.

Collaboration with section members

Section members will be encouraged to collaborate submitting proposals for the EPH2020 conference and to communicate with help of the section among each other to initiate projects on public health ethics.

Activities at the EPH conference

Only one workshop / roundtable was accepted this year for the 2020 conference: "Liberté, égalité and fraternité in public health - A Human rights approach to Public (Mental) Health" a collaboration with EUPHA, EUPHA MEN, & EUPHA ETH.

Other activities

President and Vice-President accepted the invitation along with a leading co-author to contribute to the special issue of the EJPH initiated and edited by EUPHA on Digital Public Health. The special issue will be launched during the EPH conference. (Brall, Schröder-Bäck, Maeckelberghe: *Ethical aspects of digital health from a justice point of view*. EJPH).

The collaboration with the UK Public Health Faculty is important for EUPHA-ETH. Among the activities are the survey (see above) and also the support of the FPH in building regional Public Health Ethics working groups. The section president supported a working group meeting in Glasgow with a presentation and consultation.

Annual meeting

The JTN will take place in the lunch break of the last day of the conference, given we made good experiences with that time slot. Agenda points are especially: planning of proposals for the 2020 conference and announcing the President / VP elections of 2020.

General communications with section members

Cooperation for the 2019 conference working groups was offered during the JTN and several emails to the section. There were very few responses this year (unlike last year).

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