



**Annual report 2023
EUPHA section on Environment and Health (EUPHA-ENV)**

Goals - 2024

- Organization of workshops on EUPHA CONFERENCE
- Liaison and cooperation with other EUPHA sections to promote our key field of interests
- Support EUPHA in disseminating public health topics at events and social media channels
- Planetary Health Task Group activities
- Climate Pact Ambassador activities
- **STATEMENT (Climate change and Health) in cooperation with other Sections**

Fields of interest:

- SDG and environmental health
- Climate, air pollution, energy and health
- Mental health and Environment
- Chemicals, consumers and environment
- Circular economy and Healthy environment
- Children as a vulnerable group and environment
- Food safety and environment
- Digital health and environment
- Public health law and environment
- Environment & Health Policies
- One Health and Planetary Health

Realised Workshop EUPHA Conference 2022 – 15th European Public Health Conference 2022:
Public health futures in a changing world, in cooperation with other sections:

Pre-conference: Disasters, Cities and Health - A multi-disciplinary walking experience in Berlin Wednesday 9 November, 14:00 – 17:00 CET Organised by: EUPHA Public mental health, Environment and health and Urban public health sections	
Workshop: The city of proximity: Accessible, Inclusive, Sustainable, Healthy and Salutogenic.	EUPHA-URB, EUPHA-ENV
Workshop: Is (Planetary) health a priority in international deals	EUPHA-ENV
Workshop: The interaction of environmental impact and chronic diseases: from theory to practice	EUPHA-CHR, EUPHA-ENV
Round table: Public health and climate change: a litigation toolkit for public health practitioners	EUPHA-LAW, EUPHA-ENV,
Round table: Climate emergency, health and equity education: policy and practice recommendations for Europe	ASPHER, Ecorys, EUPHA-ENV
Workshop: Urban Green Spaces, Built Environment and Urban	EUPHA-URB, EUPHA-PMH, EUPHA-ENV

Realised Workshop EUPHA Conference 2023 – 16th European Public Health Conference 2023:
DUBLIN

1. Wed 8th 13:30-17:00 WALK – PRECONFERENCE - Art, architecture, atmosphere and (mental) health – A multi-disciplinary walking experience in Dublin
2. Thu 9th 10:30-11:30 Wicklow Hall 2B 2.I. - Workshop: Planetary and One health policy and governance: evidence, tools and management
3. Thu 9th 15:10-16:10 Liffey Meeting Room 3 3.E. - Workshop: Air pollution health impacts and costs in EU accessing countries
4. Thu 9th 16:40-17:40 Liffey B 4.G. - Round table: Environmental stressors on health economics and policies – challenges and pitfalls
5. Thu 9th 16:40-17:40 Liffey Meeting Room 3 4.E. - Pitch presentations: Environment and health
6. Fri 10th 9:00-10:00 Liffey Meeting Room 3 5.E. - Workshop: Salutogenic Cities: European experiences in Urban Health.
7. Fri 10th 11:40-12:40 Liffey Meeting Room 3 6.E. - Workshop: Evaluating progress in climate adaptation in the European public health sector
8. Fri 10th 12.50 – 13.50 Liffey B - Late breaker: Climate change is a health emergency
9. Fri 10th 16:40-17:40 Liffey Meeting Room 3 8.E. - Workshop: Digital Public Health and Climate change: The European Framework made easy
10. Sat 11th 9:00-10:00 Liffey Meeting Room 2 9.D. - Workshop: Obesity: the greatest burden of the 21st Century and the post-pandemic
11. Sat 11th 14:00-15:00 Liffey Meeting Room 3 11.E. - Workshop: Healthy Buildings: interdisciplinary perspectives.

Planned and realized Workshops and Rountables at EUPHA Conference 2023 – in cooperation with:

- Public Mental Health and Environment Health Section, Urban Public Health and ENV Section, Public Health Law and EUPHA ENV Section, Digital Public Health and EUPHA ENV Section, Health Impact Assessment section and EUPHA ENV Section, ASPHER and EUPHA ENV Section
- Accepted workshops and other events in EUPHA 2023 Conference: 11
- Pre-conference :1

Cooperation with other Secrions:

- Public Mental Health and Environment Health Section
- Urban Public Health and ENV Section
- Public Health Law and EUPHA ENV Section,
- Digital Public Health and EUPHA ENV Section,
- Health Impact Assessment section and EUPHA ENV Section
- ASPHER and EUPHA ENV Section

WS topics of interest for 2024:

Climate Change & Green Deal, Urbanization, Mental Health; SDGs and Environment and Health; Environment Health and Law legislation; Environment and Health - importance of Digitalization, Digital Public Health and Env Health; Environment and Health in Europe's Beating Cancer Plan; common workshop Health Impact Assessment section and ENV Section, Obesity and environment, Policies of environmental&health issues...

BOOK preparation (Springer) on Mental Health and the Environment.

ongoing

Collaboration with section members

- Discussion on the cooperation with other sections within EUPHA: Public Mental Health Section, Urban Public Health Section, Infectious Disease Section and others, Urban Health, Health Impact Assessment, Food and Nutrition, Public Health Law, Digital Public Health
- Intensification of communication activities towards other sections to inform them of Env&Health section work.
- Intensification of communication activities among ENV Section members.

Public Opinions:

- Active participation - EC: Public consultation (EU climate target for 2040, Consultation on the Revision of the Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive)

Other activities

- DISSEMINATION of our interests in 2023:
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/EUPHA_ENV dissemination of activities
- European Public Health Week - EPHW (May 2023)
- EHMA (European Health Management Conference, 2023, June Rome) EUPHA ENV representative at round table (sustainability track)
- Climate Pact Ambassador activities - https://europa.eu/climate-pact/ambassadors/meet-our-ambassadors/marija-jevtic_en (Marija Jevtic EU Climate Pact Ambassador)
- HORIZON project – ENBEL – a member of the advisory board
- Planetary Health Action Hub – a couple of meetings online and meeting in Amsterdam – September 2023 (report prepared) – paper published
- ENBEL Conference participation
- Participation in webinars as an EUPHA ENV Section member
- GREEN Club engagement
- PATRONAGE of EUHA ENV Section of other events/Conference
<https://www.duecipromotion.com/en/eventi/from-eves-snake-to-molecular-dogs-evolution-and-perspectives-health-risks-and-advantages-of-animal-human-environment-interactions/>

Planetary Health Task Group

Established in January 2023, The EUPHA Environment Section and its Task Group on Planetary Health support the fact that European Public Health professionals should understand how public health is deeply connected to the health of our planet and the best ways to collaborate to act on this relationship through education, research and practice. The aim is to continue to work, planning activities in advocacy in the field among public health professionals and we are planning to organize the workshop in the next EUPHA Conference in Lisbon together with partner Sections

Climate Pact Ambassador work

EUPHA ENV advocates for targeted climate action using evidence-based policies. Going beyond business-as-usual activities to address climate change through targeted discussions, workshops and meetings for medical professionals. EUPHA (and Environment and Health Section) share information, supports actions and insist on the importance of education, respecting the EU Green Deal, Paris Agreement and SDGs as a roadmap for action.

https://eupha.org/popup_document.php?p=b3pFR1oxaTNYOWxFcHZoU2I0UnVCdz09Ojp660q2wREGA2ZATAoFNCjP&pp=%2Fsection_page.php

Annual and other meetings and communications with section members

- zoom meetings EUPHA ENV periodically – workshop preparations
- Newsletter (3 in 2022, and 3 in 2023)
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/EUPHA_ENV
- dissemination of information through linkdin profiles of members

International participation in events on behalf of EUPHA

- EHMA 2023,
- EUPHW 2023 (Climate)
- ENBEL 2023
- INCHES 2023
- Planetary Health Action Hub

Survey

- It is planned after the EUPHA 2023 (online)

Future ideas and discussion points:

- EUPHA grant – for discussion
- Env&health and climate - health emergency – need more lobbying process
- Communication and cooperation with HIA section and WHO have training on env&health
- Policy briefing preparation on issues that are important for environment and health. Building cooperation with HEAL on such policy briefings. (webinar)
- EUPHA ENV Section zoom meetings periodically
- Paper preparation for Scientific Journal in 2023 and Statement for 2023
- Planetary health task group – to organize
- Webinar preparation for the end of January 2023: Environmental disasters and Mental Health (EUPHA ENV & EUPHA PMH)
- Other webinars (?)
- Steering committee established
- Planetary Health task Group, march and december
- On line meeting of EUPHA ENV Section – end of January 2024
- Statement preparation

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