

Minutes of the Health Promotion Section meeting, November 8th, 2012, 18.30-19.30, Malta

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The annual meeting of the section took place at the conference in Malta with 14 members.

Top 1: Information

The section presidents informed about the section rules and rules for presidency

Top 2: Section workshops and cooperation with other sections

The section has also agreed to cooperate better with other sections, e.g. through common workshops. First contacts have been made with the mental health section.

Top 3: Main goals for 2013

While the sections activities are mostly directed towards research, a better involvement of health promotion practitioners should be aimed at.

At the meeting the section discussed how health promotion could be best presented at EUPHA conferences in a way that makes it distinct for the field of prevention. The section aims at improving the positioning of health promotion within public health. Concrete suggestions discussed included a section poster prize.

The formation of a steering group was discussed with the tasks to build links to IUHPE and to establish more links to health promotion practice. However no concrete decisions on responsibilities have been taken. Some members showed interest, but would need some time to prepare for such steering committee tasks.