

Report 2012 of the Presidency of the EUPHA Section on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health

1. The 4th European Conference in Migration and Ethnic Minority Health in Milan 2012: Facts beyond Figures. Community Care for Migrants and Ethnic Minorities.

The Conference took place in Milan 21-23 June 2012 organized by the Bocconi University. More than 300 participants attended, 223 abstracts were submitted, and 154 were accepted and presented in the parallel sessions. A range of distinguished plenary key-note speakers presented state-of-the-art lectures.

2. Workshops and Migrant Health Sessions at the European Public Health Conference 2012 in Malta

The section does not plan pre-conference meetings at the same year as the European Conferences on Migration and Ethnic Minority Health, but a very successful workshop was organized during the conference in collaboration with the Section of Chronic Diseases. Migrant and ethnic minority research was presented in several section related parallel sessions and a number of papers and posters on the section theme were also presented in general sessions on more cross-cutting issues.

3. The 5th European Conference in Migration and Ethnic Minority Health 2014 in Granada

The site of the next conference was decided at the section meeting during the Milan conference and the planning of the conference has started based on a collaboration between the Section, the Andalusian School of Public Health and the Consorci de Salut I Social de Catalunya. A leaflet has been distributed at the conference in Malta, and an international advisory board and a local organizing committee is presently being appointed. A first planning meeting took place in Malta between the Spanish organizers and representatives of the section.

4. Section meetings

Two well attended section meetings were held – one during the Milan conference and one during the conference in Malta. The agenda included the planning of conferences and meetings, the appointment of a steering committee (see below), general communications and other section activities.

5. Appointment of a Section Steering Committee

On the basis of the general agreement in the section council of EUPHA the president called for nomination of members of a Steering Committee, and the section meeting in Malta decided to approve the proposed memberships (6 nominations), but adding two more (one offering to participate during the meeting and one representing the area of Roma health to be appointed by the presidency later).

6. General communications

Frequent communications to the more than 600 members of the section has been distributed by the presidency regarding new publications, relevant international meetings and other subjects of general interest related to the section theme.

7. Representing EUPHA in international meetings

The section vice president Charles Agyemang represented EUPHA at the FRA Stakeholder Meetings in Vienna, 28 February - 2 March 2012 and submitted a report to the EUPHA president.