EXPERT POLICY FORUM

ADDRESSING HEALTH INEQUITIES ACROSS EUROPE: FROM EVIDENCE TO POLICY

Date: WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER AND THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2016
Venue: Austria Center Vienna (ACV), Vienna, Austria

Organised by the EURO-HEALTHY project, represented by Maastricht University in collaboration with the European Public Health Association (EUPHA) Section on Public Health Practice and Policy

Presented as a pre-conference at the 9th European Public Health Conference
The expert policy forum aims to advance knowledge on policies and enhance interaction between policy makers and stakeholders, allowing them to discuss policies with highest potential to enhance health and health equity across European regions with particular focus on metropolitan areas.

The sessions will start with an introduction and stimulating talk. The areas of inequality and mortality, and environment and health will then be taken as example areas for discussing with policy makers selected policies and their implications as well as the evidence-to-policy process. The urban health session will highlight the specific need for tools and policies tackling health challenges at the urban scale. It will be followed by a presentation on the population health index tool and its implication in foreseeing the impact of multilevel policies, and its benefits and challenges will be discussed with policy makers, stakeholders and scientists.

Each session will be set up with 4-5 policy makers, advocates or NGOs to present a policy implementation and related challenges. Sessions will be followed by a moderated question and answer dialogue.

The main objective of this project is to advance knowledge as to which policies have the highest potential to enhance health and health equity across European regions and within Metropolitan areas.

The project will develop tools based on a population health index (PHI) that evaluates the health and well-being of the European population. This index will be informed by evidence on the relationship between multiple determinants with health outcomes over the past 15 years.

The PHI will be used to foresee and discuss the impact of multilevel policies and combinations of policies in population health and health equity across European regions, thus providing a basis for policy dialogue.
TIME FRAME

Preliminary program Wednesday 9 November

13:30 – 14:00 Session 1: Opening and introduction - Maastricht University; EUPHA section public health practice and policy; Universidade de Coimbra

14:00 – 15:00 Session 2: Urban Health - Université Paris Ouest

15:00– 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 – 16:15 Session 3: Inequalities in Mortality - Agencia de Salud Publica de Barcelona

16:15 – 17:00 Session 4: Environment and Health - Public Health England

18:00 Social Event Buffet Dinner - Drinks

Preliminary program Thursday 10 November

09:00 – 10:00 Session 5: Population Health Index - Universidade de Lisboa

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break

10:30 – 11:15 Session 6: Round table - Maastricht University, EUPHA section public health practice and policy; Universidade de Coimbra; FRESHER Project

11:15 – 12:00 Closing – Wrap up

12:00-13:00 Network lunch

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