

WELCOME to the 5th newsletter

of the Public Mental Health Section of the European Public Health Association in 2017

Dear PMH section members,

In the PMH track at the EUPHA conference we had an interesting pre-conference (Architecture and Mental Health); exciting workshops (Terror and Public (Mental) Health; investigating resilience), pitch presentations and a lively discussion at the “Join the network meeting” in Stockholm. The topics were:

- Looking backwards: The 1st International Public Mental Health Conference in Vilnius in 2017
- Current activities in EUPHA Public Mental Health section
- Liaison of the PMH section with Frontiers in Psychiatry
- Volunteering for the PMH section Steering Committee
- Planning for EUPHA 2018
- Looking forward: the 2nd International Public Mental Health Conference in 2019.

We agreed in the annual “Join the Network” meeting on the following decisions:

- 1) We will continue our sections activities in the next year by focusing on a) environment and Public Mental health; b) Violence and Public Mental Health (e.g., child abuse, domestic violence, terror, suicide) and c) methods in Public Mental Health research.
- 2) We partner as a section with Frontiers in Psychiatry. This allows PMH members to publish more easily if they like in Frontiers (off course with the usual peer review process).
- 3) We welcome the following new members in our PMH steering committee: John M. Cachia (Malta), Vinko Matej (Slovenia), Nina Tamminen (Finland) and Kirstofer Stojanovski (USA).
- 4) To host the 2nd International Public Mental Health Conference I received three proposals. We will now clarify the specific conditions in each county and decide on the site. I will update you as soon as I know more details.

Further information:

To share the knowledge brought together we will have an edited volume at Frontiers with contributions from the 1st PMH conference in Vilnius.

Please let me know in case of any questions, comments or wishes to the sections work.

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