

Annual report 2014, EUPHA Section of Social Security and Health

At the EPH conference in Glasgow:

- 19-20 November: arranged a lunch-to-lunch **pre-conference** at the EPH conference on the theme “Mind the complexity: social disparities in sickness absence and disability pension”. This was the 12th pre-conference we arranged!
- 20 November. The **annual meeting** was held.
- Several **sessions and poster sessions** during the EPH conference at Glasgow
- arranged a workshop, in collaboration with the EUPHA Section on chronic diseases on the theme “Chronic diseases and employment in Europe –increasing gap?”

Before and after the EPH conference:

Communication with members through e-mails etcetera.

The Section president was the chair of the Section Council, and thus also included in the Executive Council and the Governing Board of EUPHA. Chaired the EUPHA Section Council retreat in June.

The president scored abstracts and workshops submitted for the EPH conference.

Several international research collaborations have been initiated within the section and are currently ongoing.

Members of the sections arranged a three-day training school in May in Stockholm for junior researchers on how to use register data in researching cancer and aspects of (return to) work when having cancer. This was done within the realm of a network established by section members to promote research on cancer and work; CANWON.

Section members established a Nordic network for researchers using twin data to gain knowledge on the importance of genetics and shared family environment in sickness absence and disability pension.

Section members from three groups (from Switzerland, the Netherlands and Sweden) have together with a Canadian research group, for several years been engaged in a project with the aim to have the Cochrane Collaboration accept Insurance Medicine as one of its fields. In December Cochrane Collaboration accepted the application and Insurance Medicine is now such a field.

Participation in the EUMASS Scientific council for planning of the EUMASS conference in Stockholm 2014, participation in the EUMASS conference in Stockholm September 2014. Members of the section have also participated in several other international and national conferences in order to promote the research area.

A course for PhD students on ‘theories and methods in sickness absence research’ has been set up and will be conducted in the spring of 2015; section members have been informed about this.