

Annual report of the Urban Public Health Section 2017

Following the excellent meeting in Vienna, we were pleased to contribute to preconferences and workshop proposals in Stockholm. We have a preconference with Mental Health and Environment Sections on 'Mental Health and Architecture' <https://ephconference.eu/2017-pre-conference-programme-356> and a workshop entitled "Integration of health appraisal within urban planning and environmental impact assessments".

Our urban health projects were featured in a supplement of the European Journal of Public Health (https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/27/suppl_2). The launch was in Manchester, UK with the presence of the Mayor at the 6th International Festival of Public Health (<http://www.manchester.ac.uk/discover/news/mayor-of-greater-manchester-to-speak-at-international-festival-of-public-health/>).

We were also pleased to see the publication of UN/WHO's Global Report on Urban Health which many of us contributed to http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/measuring/urban-global-report/en/.

We were involved in the local organising committee of the 14th International Conference on Urban Health in September 2017 in Coimbra, Portugal where several of our members were presenting plenaries, workshops and abstracts via oral or poster presentations. We have been invited onto the New York Academy of Medicine's Journal of Urban Health (<https://link.springer.com/journal/11524>).

Following on from Habitat III, in Quito 2016 we are pleased to see endorsement and global adoption of the New Urban Agenda <http://habitat3.org/the-new-urban-agenda/> We will be attending the 9th World Urban Forum in Kuala Lumpur in 2018.

We continue to be partners in the European Health Information Initiative led by WHO-Euro (<http://www.euro.who.int/en/data-and-evidence/european-health-information-initiative-ehii>) and working with agencies for health indicators.

We also are excited about a new journal, launched last year for trans disciplinary urban health entitled - Cities and Health (<http://www.tandfonline.com/action/showAxaArticles?journalCode=rcah20>)

For the forthcoming year, we would like to build further links with other sections, apply for grant funding and increase our capacity building activities.

Thanks

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