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1. Editorial

Welcome to our January newsletter, including information from EUPHA, EUPHA members, European Commission, ECDC and WHO. We hope the information is useful to further your work.

Wishing you pleasant reading,

Natasha Azzopardi-Muscat, EUPHA President and Dineke Zeegers Paget, EUPHA Executive Director

2. EUPHA update

[Fifth International Conference on Law Enforcement & Public Health, 21-23 October 2019, Edinburgh Scotland](#)

The Fifth International Conference on Law Enforcement & Public Health, taking place 21-23 October 2019 in Edinburgh Scotland. EUPHA is co-organiser/sponsor.

LEPH2019 is a must attend conference for you. Be part of this biennial conference exploring the complex and diverse intersections of law enforcement and public health, involving practitioners, policy makers and researchers from these and other related sectors.

<https://leph2019edinburgh.com/>

2nd International Public Mental Health Conference, 19-21 June 2019, Jerusalem, Israel.

The upcoming 2nd International Public Mental Health Conference will be held June 19-21, 2019 in Jerusalem, Israel. EUPHA is co-organisator of this conference.

It is our pleasure to welcome all professionals involved in public health aspects of mental health to the 2nd International Public Mental Health Conference. Public mental health is a way of viewing psychiatry through the needs of the community, the public resources available to meet those needs, and a call for mental health professionals, epidemiologists and policy planners to rally together to meet those needs.

<https://www.pmhconferenceisrael.com/>

Stan Tarkowski: an appreciation



The 21st January 2019 brought the sad news that Stanislaw (Stan) Tarkowski had passed away that morning. Stan was a tremendous supporter of EUPHA. He served as our President in 2009/10 and hosted an extremely successful European Public Health Conference in his home city of Łódź, Poland.

Stan's formal involvement with EUPHA had begun in 2000, when he attended his first Governing Council, as President of the Polish Association of Public Health. Those present recall his commitment to public health in Europe and determination that Poland should play an important role in developing the public health community.

In 2010, Stan passed the baton to Walter Ricciardi, but agreed to remain on the Executive Board for a further four years as Past President, always contributing his wisdom and advice in a quiet, but extremely perceptive and helpful way.

This was a time of major organisational change for EUPHA, a process he gave valuable support to, including through his leadership of the Past Presidents Committee.

Even after standing down, he continued to support the work of EUPHA but was prevented, by his final illness, from attending the Ljubljana conference.

Those who were fortunate to work with him will remember his loyalty, kindness, vision, and

support. We will miss him greatly.

Walter Ricciardi

Natasha Azzopardi Muscat

Martin McKee

Dineke Zeegers Paget

<https://eupha.org/past-presidents-commit...>

EUPHA co-signs letter to WHO to express concern at the attempt by the Philip Morris International-funded entity, Foundation for a Smoke Free World (FSFW) to pave the road for partnership with WHO

EUPHA strongly supports the statement issued by the World Federation of Public Health Associations and many other like minded partners regarding the attempt made by the Philip Morris funded “Foundation for a Smoke-Free World” to interfere with global health policy and decision-making. EUPHA has consistently voiced its concern about the tactics being used by the tobacco industry and has issued several statements to this effect over the past months ([16 March 2018](#), [27 March 2018](#), [30 August 2018](#)).

In support of the statement issued by the FCTC secretariat on the launch of the Foundation for a Smoke-Free World, EUPHA reiterates that no government or organisation should accept money from, endorse, or enter into partnerships with the Philip Morris International (PMI) funded ‘Foundation for a Smoke-Free World’. The damage being wrought world wide by the continuing global tobacco epidemic requires us to work even hard that ever before to ensure the full implementation of the FCTC. EUPHA highlights its stance on not endorsing research conducting or funded through any partnership related to this PMI-funded Foundation.

<https://eupha.org/repository/advocacy/Op...>

PRECeDI - Personalised medicine for disease prevention



Medical practitioners are increasingly adopting a 'personalised medicine' approach involving individually tailored patient care. PRECeDI, in which EUPHA has participated, has been fostering collaboration on PM research and training, with special emphasis on the prevention of chronic diseases. PRECeDI has been successfully completed with a Final Conference in Brussels in November 2018. Read more about how PRECeDI contributes to the integration

of Personalised Medicine in the Prevention of Chronic Diseases in the [final report and recommendations](#).

We are proud to announce that the European Commission, in particular in DG Research and Innovation's webpage dedicated to 'Research and Innovation Projects' has labelled PRECeDI a 'Success Story'. For more information, see: http://ec.europa.eu/research/infocentre/article_en.cfm?artid=49872

ECDC survey of healthcare workers knowledge and attitudes about antibiotic use and resistance

Please find below the link to the [ECDC survey](#) of healthcare workers knowledge and attitudes about antibiotic use and resistance that the EUPHA section on HTA has received as European Committee on Infection Control member. Your participation would be much appreciated.

The survey can be accessed [here](#).

3. European Public Health Conference



Start planning for Marseille 2019

The 12th European Public Health Conference will be organised in Marseille, France from 20-23 November 2019. The main theme of the conference is "Building bridges for solidarity and public health". Abstract submission opens 1 February and closes 1 May 2019. Registration opens 1 April 2019. Abstracts are invited for workshops and single presentations in all areas of public health research, practice, policy and education. See EPH Conference website for [abstract submission tracks](#). Abstracts are considered for oral, pitch and poster presentations. Workshop proposals are considered for 60- or 90-minutes sessions. Do not miss the opportunity to share your work at the largest public health event in Europe. For less experienced abstract submitters a Mentor programme is set-up.

Dates to remember

1 February - Abstract submission opens

1 April - Registration opens

1 May - Abstract submission closes

4. EUPHA members update

Towards evidence-informed integration of public health and primary health care: experiences from Crete

The EUPHA member from Greece, i.e. the Clinic of Social and Family Medicine (CSFM) at the University of Crete School of Medicine, share their experiences with primary care in the latest issue of the WHO Public Health Panorama.

The aim of this article is to share the experiences of the Clinic of Social and Family Medicine (CSFM) at the University of Crete School of Medicine in this area over the past decade, in terms of insights gained through research, capacity-building efforts and practice focused on addressing major public-health issues in primary care settings. We provide a brief overview of how data about healthcare delivery, collected from capacity-building and research initiatives, can facilitate effective planning and implementation of the primary-care reform that is currently unfolding in Greece. We believe this information shows how to best design and rapidly test evidence-based approaches for the operationalization and implementation of integrated health care, approaches that can serve to address public-health priorities, improve the health and well-being of the population and support evidence-informed policy-making, in Greece and in settings similar to Greece.

http://www.euro.who.int/_data/assets/pd...

Newsletter of NPHF

Read the January newsletter of the Dutch National Public Health Association (NPHF).

<https://www.nphf.nl/actueel/nieuwsbrief/...>



5. European Journal of Public Health

The European Journal of Public Health is a multidisciplinary journal in the field of public health.

The [European Journal of Public Health](#) is published bimonthly. The journal provides a forum for discussion and debate of current international public health issues with a focus on the European region. In 2018, the impact factor of the journal is at 2.782. The 5-year impact factor is 2.902. The European Journal of Public Health is the official journal of EUPHA.

Advanced access January 2019

[Effect of neighbourhood socioeconomic status on overweight and obesity in children 2–15 years of different ethnic groups](#)

J A de Wilde; M Eilander; B J C Middelkoop

[Increase in emergency department visits related to cannabis reported using syndromic surveillance system](#)

G N Noel; A M Maghoo; F F Franke; G V Viudes; P M Minodier

[Is quality of life impairment associated with chronic diseases dependent on educational level?](#)

Henrike Galenkamp; Hans A M van Oers; Anton E Kunst; Karien Stronks

[Risk factors for subsequent work disability in patients with acute myocardial infarction](#)

Mo Wang; Marjan Vaez; Thomas Ernst Dorner; Syed Rahman; Magnus Helgesson ...

[Long-term trends \(1973–14\) for obesity and educational inequalities among Austrian adults: men in the fast lane](#)

Franziska Großschädl; Willibald J Stronegger

[The role of demographic and behavioural change for the long-term decline in daily smoking in Norway](#)

Tord F Vedøy

[Glycated haemoglobin \(HbA1c\) as a reliable option for detecting diabetes among the urban poor population in Bangladesh](#)

Chifa Chiang; Atsuko Aoyama; Md Khalequzzaman; Sohel R Choudhury; Debatosh Paul ...

[Usefulness of a job-exposure matrix 'MADE' as a decision tool for compensation of work-related musculoskeletal disorders](#)

Marc Fadel; Remi Valter; Alexandre Quignette; Alexis Descatha

[Estimating disease prevalence from drug utilization data using the Random Forest algorithm](#)

Laurentius C J Slobbe; Koen Füssenich; Albert Wong; Hendriek C Boshuizen; Markus M J Nielen ...

[Cost-effectiveness and cost-benefit of worksite health promotion programs in Europe: a systematic review](#)

Nathanael Lutz; Jan Taeymans; Claudia Ballmer; Nick Verhaeghe; Peter Clarys ...

[Place of death and associated factors: a population-based study using death certificate data](#)

María José Cabañero-Martínez; Andreu Nolasco; Inmaculada Melchor; Manuel Fernández-Alcántara; Julio Cabrero-García

6. Call for proposals, job opportunities

Summer course on assessing public health in emergency situations

The Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED) at the University of Louvain is offering an intensive summer course for students and health professionals interested in humanitarian aid and health care in emergencies. The course, APHES (Assessing Public Health in Emergency Situations) will familiarize students and health professionals with epidemiological techniques to assess the health impacts of disasters and

conflicts on affected communities in emergency situations. APHES will be hosted in Brussels, Belgium from July 1st - July 12th 2019. Please find more information at contact@aphes.be. The deadline for applications is May 31st 2019.

€5 Million Prizes: Early Warning for Epidemics and Blockchain for Social Good

The European Commission launched a few new Horizon prizes. Each prize has an ambitious goal to solve a major challenge facing society, without detailing how this should be achieved or who should achieve it. One of them rewards those who can come up with an early-warning system for epidemics. Another one is about Distributed Ledger Technology such as the one used in blockchain, to develop scalable, efficient and high-impact solutions to social challenges.

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/eic/index.c...>

Doctors with Africa-CUAMM

Doctors with Africa-CUAMM is an international NGO working for health system strengthening in Africa. Our mission is to advocate the universal right to health and promote the values of international solidarity, justice and peace. We work in 8 sub-Saharan African countries ([Angola](#), [Ethiopia](#), [Mozambique](#), [Sierra Leone](#), [South Sudan](#), [Tanzania](#), Central African Republic and [Uganda](#)). Our main intervention areas are: maternal and child health, nutrition, infectious diseases and non-communicable diseases.

Public Health Experts in CUAMM work at the district level to improve the management and the quality of services. They ensure technical assistance to local health authorities, carry out supervision and training at the peripheral level, strengthen the information system, collaborate to data collection and analysis and promote the dialogue with the community.

To work with us we ask to be skilled in English, Portuguese or French, to have previous work experience and to be available to stay in the field for a minimum of 6 months. Desirable have experience in low-income countries.

We offer a work contract which provides a salary, insurances, required visas and permits, round-trip flights and accommodation.

For further information or send your application, please send an email to international.recruitment@cuamm.org

7. Interesting news

Genes linked to antibiotic-resistant superbugs found in Arctic

Discovery of genes, possibly carried by birds or humans, shows rapid spread of crisis. <https://www.theguardian.com/society/2019...>

The Lancet Digital Health: A new voice for promoting digital technologies in health practice worldwide

Presenting The Lancet Digital Health, a new gold Open Access journal published by The Lancet.

<https://www.thelancet.com/digital-health>

Are EU citizens reaping the benefits of the Cross-border Healthcare Directive?

Andrzej Rys, Director responsible for health systems, medical products and innovation, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission, says that the Directive on Cross-border Healthcare has furthered cooperation between health systems and clarified the rights of patients when they receive healthcare in another European Union country. As legislation that clearly impacts EU citizens, it should be better known.

<https://ec.europa.eu/health/health-eu-ne...>

Creator of first gene edited babies faces "stern" punishment

He Jiankui, the Chinese scientist who rocked the field of genetics when he announced in November that he had created the world's first gene edited babies, will be "sternly dealt with," said China's government, which is believed to have been holding him under house arrest for weeks.

<https://www.bmj.com/content/364/bmj.l346>

Hospitals will use AI to check x-rays

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/hospi...>

Alzheimer's disease: Scientists restore memory in mice through epigenetic treatment

A new study shows promise for epigenetic treatments for humans suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

<https://bigthink.com/surprising-science/...>

Making sense of newborn genome sequences

Since the advent of cheaper whole genome sequencing there has been much discussion and debate on whether we should routinely sequence all babies shortly after birth.

<http://www.phgfoundation.org/blog/%E2%80...>

TEDxNSPOH

Did you miss TEDxNSPOH (Netherland School of Public & Occupational Health) - watch the talks on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist>

Lower obesity rates linked with public transportation use, study shows

Date: January 29, 2019

Source: University of Illinois College of Engineering

Summary: Public transportation systems provide numerous economic benefits for a community. An added public health bonus provided by such systems may be lower obesity rates. A new study compared and analyzed county data from 2001 and 2009. They found that a single percentage-point increase in mass transit ridership is associated with a 0.473 percentage-point lower obesity rate in counties across the United States.

[New group functionality for our Online Evidence-Informed Decision Making \(EIDM\) Skills Assessment Tool](#)

The National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools (NCCMT)(nccmt@mcmaster.ca).

8. Upcoming courses and conferences



Going International is the first source for finding courses, seminars, congresses and other events in the fields of medicine & health. Going International is Europe's biggest service provider and information platform and serves as an interface between organisers and participants of events. Going International is an official partner of EUPHA.

[Low Vitamin D during pregnancy and health risk in mother and child](#)

1 Feb 2019 / Frederiksberg, Denmark

Organiser: Research Unit for Dietary Studies, The Parker Institute at Bispebjerg, Frederiksberg Hospital and The Department of Public Health, University of Copenhagen

[EHMA 2019 Annual conference - Call for Abstracts](#)

17 Feb 2019 / Dipoli, Espo, Finland

Organiser: EHMA

[7th Epidemiology and Public Health Conference](#)

18 Feb 2019 - 19 Feb 2019 / Dubai, UEA

Organiser: Conference series

[2nd bi-annual Patient Flow: The Future of Urgent and Emergency Care Congress](#)

27 Feb 2019 / London, United Kingdom

Organiser: Convenzis group

[4th Congress Hidden Hunger: Hidden hunger and the transformation of food systems: How to combat the double burden of malnutrition?](#)

27 Feb 2019 - 1 Mar 2019 / Stuttgart, Germany

Organiser: University of Hohenheim

ORAMMA (Operational Refugee and Migrant Maternal Approach): final event

28 Feb 2019 / Brussels, Belgium

Organiser: ORAMMA project

MSc International Healthcare Leadership (part-time)

1 Mar 2019 - 1 Mar 2021 / Online + 4 workshops in Manchester, UK

Organiser: Alliance Manchester Business School, The University of Manchester

World Healthcare Congress Europe 2019

5 Mar 2019 - 7 Mar 2019 / Manchester, United Kingdom

Organiser: WHCE

the Professional Certificate in Strategic Health Planning

18 Mar 2019 - 22 Mar 2019 / London, United Kingdom

Organiser: International Centre for Parliamentary Studies

Professional Certificate in Strategic Health Planning

18 Mar 2019 - 22 Mar 2019 / London, United Kingdom

Organiser: International Centre for Parliamentary Studies

Causal Inference in Observational Studies and Clinical Trials Affected by Treatment Switching: A Practical Hands-on Workshop

18 Mar 2019 - 21 Mar 2019 / Hall in Tirol, Austria

Organiser: UMIT-Hall

Strengthening preparedness for (re)emerging arbovirus infections: symptoms, diagnostics, clinical management and outbreak control

19 Mar 2019 - 21 Mar 2019 / Ljubljana, Slovenia

Organiser: ESCMID

Healthy Ageing: The Grand Challenge

19 Mar 2019 / Manchester, United Kingdom

Organiser: Open Forum Events

Health Economics for Public Health Practice & Research

8 Apr 2019 - 10 Apr 2019 / Bangor, United Kingdom

Organiser: Bangor University

2nd International Congress of Health Workforce Education and Research

9 May 2019 - 11 May 2019 / Nicosia, Cyprus

Organiser: International Network for Health Workforce Education

European Diabetes Epidemiology Group Annual Conference EDEG 2019

11 May 2019 - 14 May 2019 / Luxembourg city, Luxembourg

Organiser: Luxembourg Public Health Association

Improving Outcomes in the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (IOTOD)

13 May 2019 - 14 May 2019 / Frankfurt, Germany

Organiser: PCM Scientific

7th World Congress on Public Health, Nutrition & Epidemiology

15 May 2019 - 16 May 2019 / Singapore

Organiser: Conference series

16th World Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care

23 May 2019 - 25 May 2019 / Berlin, Germany

Organiser: EAPC

15th Edition of International Conference on Healthcare

27 May 2019 - 29 May 2019 / Barcelona, Spain

Organiser: EuroSciCon

Summer School on Modern Methods in Biostatistics and Epidemiology

2 Jun 2019 - 15 Jun 2019 / Cison di Valmarino, Italy

Organiser: BiostatEpi

3rd International Conference on Non-Communicable Diseases: Health risk factors and prevention on injuries and diseases

5 Jun 2019 - 7 Jun 2019 / Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Organiser: Nicolae Testemitanu State University, Moldova and others

2019 keyconference on Mental health service research

6 Jun 2019 - 8 Jun 2019 / Lisbon, Portugal

Organiser: ENMESH

Final conference: Integrated care for multi-morbidity

13 Jun 2019 / Amsterdam, Netherlands

Organiser: SELFIE 2020

EHMA 2019 Annual conference

17 Jun 2019 - 19 Jun 2019 / Dipoli, Espo, Finland

Organiser: EHMA

2nd International Public Mental Health Conference

19 Jun 2019 - 21 Jun 2019 / Jerusalem, Israel

Organiser: EUPHA section on Public mental health

4th edition of the International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP4)

26 Jun 2019 - 28 Jun 2019 / Montreal, Canada

Organiser: International Public Policy Association

7th Asian Vaccine Conference (ASVAC 2019)

13 Sep 2019 - 15 Sep 2019 / Yangon, Myanmar

Organiser: ASVAC

7th International Jerusalem Conference on Health Policy

15 Sep 2019 - 17 Sep 2019 / Jerusalem, Israel

Organiser: The Israel National Institute for Health Policy Research

30th World Congress of the International Association for Suicide Prevention

17 Sep 2019 - 21 Sep 2019 / Derry/Londonderry, United Kingdom

Organiser: IASP

Linear and logistic regression analysis of epidemiologic data

7 Oct 2019 - 11 Oct 2019 / Rome, Italy

Organiser: Catholic University of the Sacred Heart

The fifth international conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health

21 Oct 2019 - 23 Oct 2019 / Edinburgh, Scotland

Organiser: LEPH

9. Interesting publications

Head of Italian research institute resigns over "anti-scientific position" of government

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

Support for e-cigarette regulations among Australian young adults

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Cardiovascular mortality attributable to dietary risk factors in 51 countries in the WHO European Region from 1990 to 2016: a systematic analysis of the Global Burden of Disease Study

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.100...>

The impact of social assistance programs on population health: a systematic review of research in high-income countries

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Cancer statistics, 2019

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full...>

Whole systems approaches to obesity and other complex public health challenges: a systematic review

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Funding and services needed to achieve universal health coverage: applications of global, regional, and national estimates of utilisation of outpatient visits and inpatient admissions from 1990 to 201

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpu...>

Sociodemographic characteristic of changes in smoking patterns in rural and urban population of PURE Poland study: findings from 6-year follow up

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

The projected timeframe until cervical cancer elimination in Australia: a modelling study

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpu...>

Impact of an organization-wide knowledge translation strategy to support evidence-informed public health decision making

<https://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Evidence on the effectiveness of health literacy interventions in the EU: a systematic review

<https://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.co...>

European Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Planning: A Review of National Plans, July 2016

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/...>

Why people engage in a weight loss intervention at their workplace - a stratified case study

<https://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Physical activity and sedentary behavior across three time-points and associations with social skills in early childhood

<https://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Impact of London's low emission zone on air quality and children's respiratory health: a sequential annual cross-sectional study

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpu...>

Alcohol drinking patterns and liver cirrhosis risk: analysis of the prospective UK Million Women Study

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpu...>

The association between use of online social networks sites and perceived social isolation among individuals in the second half of life: results based on a nationally representative sample in Germany

<https://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.co...>

The handling of evidence in national and local policy making: a case study of alcohol industry actor strategies regarding data on on-premise trading hours and violence in Norway

<https://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Environmental health practitioners potentially play a key role in helping communities adapt to climate change

<https://bmcpublihealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Collaborative emergency preparedness and response to cross-institutional outbreaks of multidrug-resistant organisms: a scenario-based approach in two regions of the Netherlands
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Knowledge of antibiotics and antibiotic resistance among Norwegian pharmacy customers - a cross-sectional study
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Food in the Anthropocene: the EAT-Lancet Commission on healthy diets from sustainable food systems
<https://www.thelancet.com/commissions/EA...>

Law enforcement and public health: recognition and enhancement of joined-up solutions
<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

2019: the year for nutrition
<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

Harnessing synergies at the interface of public health and the security sector
<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

Development and psychometric evaluation of the diabetic Men's dietary behaviors inventory based on the theory of reasoned action
<https://archpublichealth.biomedcentral.c...>

Is partnership the answer? Delivering the national immunisation programme in the new English health system: a mixed methods study
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Is screen time associated with anxiety or depression in young people? Results from a UK birth cohort
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Sickness absence in pregnancy and sedentary behavior: a population-based cohort study from Norway
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

Associations between social isolation, loneliness, and objective physical activity in older men and women
<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

The FLEX study school-based physical activity programs - measurement and evaluation of implementation

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

What is the evidence on the policy specifications, development processes and effectiveness of existing front-of-pack food labelling policies in the WHO European Region?

<http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...>

Global status report on road safety 2018

<http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...>

Global action plan on physical activity 2018-2030

<http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...>

Report on the health of refugees and migrants in the WHO European Region: no public health without refugee and migrant health (2018)

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/publications/...>

Considerations on linking Urban Agendas and the SDGs

<https://www.sdgwatcheurope.org/considera...>

On scientific leadership

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

Addressing masculinity and men's health to advance universal health and gender equality

<http://iris.paho.org/xmlui/bitstream/han...>

Health Inequality Monitoring: A Practical Application of Population Health Monitoring

<https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10...>

The public health implications of Brexit in Wales: A Health Impact Assessment approach

<http://https://whiasu.publichealthnetwor...>

10. European Commission news

Social determinants: Profile of socio-economic inequalities

Profile of socio-economic inequalities in alcohol, nutrition and physical activity: country fiches for Belgium, Czechia, Denmark, Finland and Germany – HEPP: Maintaining a focus on health inequalities

https://ec.europa.eu/health/social_deter...

Commission publishes Statement and Position Paper on Emerging Health and Environmental Issues

The European Commission's Scientific Committee on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks (SCHEER) published a statement and a position paper on emerging health and environmental issues.

<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/news...>

Why Organ Donation Matters to Us All: EP Conference, 18th February 2019

The EU-funded project EUDONORGAN will hold its next conference titled Why Organ Donation Matters to Us All on Monday, 18 February in Brussels. The event will be hosted by the European Parliament in collaboration with the Belgian Ministry of Health.

<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/news...>

First EU citizens using ePrescriptions in other EU country

The first EU patients can use digital prescriptions issued by their home doctor when visiting a pharmacy in another EU country: Finnish patients are now able to go to a pharmacy in Estonia and retrieve medicine prescribed electronically by their doctor in Finland.

http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-...

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<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/news...>

Factsheet - Assessing the impact of digital transformation of health services

Assessing The Impact Of Digital Transformation Of Health Services - Report of the Expert Panel on effective ways of investing in Health (EXPH)

https://ec.europa.eu/health/expert_panel...

11. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news

Volume 24, Issue 4, 24 January 2019

Editorial

[How do advanced diagnostics support public health policy development?](#)

Rapid communication

[Interim estimates of 2018/19 vaccine effectiveness against influenza A\(H1N1\)pdm09, Canada, January 2019](#)

[Genomic sequence of yellow fever virus from a Dutch traveller returning from the Gambia-Senegal region, the Netherlands, November 2018](#)

Surveillance

[Whole genome sequencing–based analysis of tuberculosis \(TB\) in migrants: rapid tools for cross-border surveillance and to distinguish between recent transmission in the host country and new importations](#)

[Cocirculation of Hajj and non-Hajj strains among serogroup W meningococci in Italy, 2000 to 2016](#)

Research

[Prospective genomic surveillance of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus \(MRSA\) associated with bloodstream infection, England, 1 October 2012 to 30 September 2013](#)

[Whole genome sequencing of Salmonella Chester reveals geographically distinct clusters, Norway, 2000 to 2016](#)

[Air-conditioner cooling towers as complex reservoirs and continuous source of Legionella pneumophila infection evidenced by a genomic analysis study in 2017, Switzerland](#)

Review

[Review of the impact of MALDI-TOF MS in public health and hospital hygiene, 2018](#)

Perspective

[Impact of whole genome sequencing on the investigation of food-borne outbreaks of Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli serogroup O157:H7, England, 2013 to 2017](#)

Miscellaneous

[Applications for the 2019 ECDC traineeship programme, including at the Eurosurveillance office, open until 31 January](#)

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Rapid communication

[Expanding Usutu virus circulation in Italy: detection in the Lazio region, central Italy, 2017 to 2018](#)

[Emergence of enterovirus D68 clade D1, France, August to November 2018](#)

[Assessing baloxavir susceptibility of influenza viruses circulating in the United States during the 2016/17 and 2017/18 seasons](#)

[Detection of influenza A\(H3N2\) viruses exhibiting reduced susceptibility to the novel cap-dependent endonuclease inhibitor baloxavir in Japan, December 2018](#)

Outbreaks

[Report of simultaneous measles outbreaks in two different health regions in Portugal, February to May 2017: lessons learnt and upcoming challenges](#)

[Disentangling a complex nationwide Salmonella Dublin outbreak associated with raw-milk cheese consumption, France, 2015 to 2016](#)

Volume 24, Issue 2, 10 January 2019

Editorial

[Note from the editors: Open access and sound science for rapid public health action](#)

Rapid communication

[Whole genome sequencing suggests transmission of *Corynebacterium diphtheriae*-caused cutaneous diphtheria in two siblings, Germany, 2018](#)

[Measles outbreak: preliminary report on a case series of the first 8,070 suspected cases, Manaus, Amazonas state, Brazil, February to November 2018](#)

Perspective

[Towards equity in immunisation](#)

Meeting report

[A definition for community-based surveillance and a way forward: results of the WHO global technical meeting, France, 26 to 28 June 2018](#)

Miscellaneous

[Eurosurveillance reviewers in 2018](#)

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Rapid communication

[Epidemiologic and phylogenetic analysis of the 2018 West Nile virus \(WNV\) outbreak in Israel demonstrates human infection of WNV lineage I](#)

Research article

[The contribution of child, family and health service factors to respiratory syncytial virus \(RSV\) hospital admissions in the first 3 years of life: birth cohort study in Scotland, 2009 to 2015](#)
[Serogroup C *Neisseria meningitidis* disease epidemiology, seroprevalence, vaccine effectiveness and waning immunity, England, 1998/99 to 2015/16](#)

12. WHO news

Public Health Panorama Volume 4, Issue 4, December 2018

Primary health care: time to accelerate
http://www.euro.who.int/_data/assets/pd...

Imagining a better world through the SDGs

WHO/Europe has launched a new video highlighting a few of the many factors that influence health, all of which are included in the SDGs. Viewed from the perspective of children who will be teenagers by 2030, the video states, "They deserve to live in a healthier world where

air pollution, child abuse and deadly diseases are bad dreams, not daily realities". The SDGs offer the clearest path for building that better, healthier future together. [Watch the video.](https://youtu.be/y_3xiE3T3xc)
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Turkey opts for plain packaging of tobacco products

Turkey has taken a major step in tobacco control by passing an amendment to adopt plain packaging for all tobacco products effective as of 5 December 2018.
<http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics...>

Close collaboration yields progress on TB prevention and care in the Russian Federation

For nearly 2 decades, WHO and the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation have collaborated closely to develop effective strategies for tuberculosis (TB) prevention and care. Through the High-level Working Group (HLWG) on TB established in 1999, more than 30 Russian Federation and international nongovernmental organizations have worked in partnership to make progress towards ending TB in the country.
<http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics...>



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