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1. European Public Health Conference



Malta 2012

EUPHA and ASPHER are pleased to invite you to the 5th ANNUAL EUROPEAN PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE 2012, co-organised with the Maltese Association of Public Health Medicine. The main theme of the conference is All Inclusive Public Health.

Please reserve the following dates in your agenda already: 8 – 10 November 2012.

Abstract submission:

The abstract submission will be available as of **2 February** 2012 until 1 May 2012 (midnight CET). The abstract submission is slightly changed and includes the possibility of adding keywords to your abstracts.

Pre conferences:

At the moment, we have around 14 pre conferences and one satellite conference planned. The details of these activities will be available soon on the website.

Malta 2012 website: http://eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php Questions? Feel free to contact us at: <u>conferences@eupha.org</u>

2. EUPHA update

EUPHA launches a prize contest!

To celebrate the 20 years of EUPHA, we are launching a prize contest. Every month, we will give a link to the website with a question on EUPHA. For each answer, you will receive a letter, which – if you have answered everything perfectly – will form a word. Send this word between 1 and 5 November to: office@eupha.org

From the correct entries, we will draw 4 winners. The prize to win is the Malta 2012 Conference dinner (free of charge) at the EUPHA president's table.

Click here for the First question!

New EUPHActs

EUPHA is proud to present the newest EUPHActs on The use of personal health data and data protection. The publication can be downloaded from http://www.eupha.org/site/publications.php?publications_page=3

Update publications page at EUPHA website :

The publications pages on our website have been updated. Check it out at: http://www.eupha.org/site/publications.php?one=EUPHA+publications

European Journal of Public Health

The first issue of 2012 has just been published online. If you are a EUPHA member, you can access the EJPH by logging in to the EUPHA database.

Section on Chronic Diseases – European Health Policy Forum

The European Health Policy Forum publishes a consolidated answer to the EU consultation on chronic diseases. Our section on chronic diseases has provided ample input into this consolidated answer, which can be found on our website soon.

EUPHA is collaborating with the following conferences Title: WPA THEMATIC CONFERENCE

"Mental Health and Family Medicine Working Together"Date:8-11 February 2012Place:Granada, SpainMore information:asaenz@fase20.com or www.thematicconferencegranada2012.com

Title:4th Conference on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health in EuropeDate:21-23 June 2012Place:Milan, ItalyMore information:www.unibocconi.eu/mighealth2012

EUPHApedia – Building knowledge and capacity together



EUPHApedia

We are pleased to announce that EUPHApedia continues to grow. We have 2534 documents (increase of 22 from December) in the database, with 17 members uploading information and 107 viewing the information. A total of 949 documents (37.5%) included in EUPHApedia have been consulted.

Interesting articles now available in the EUPHApedia database:

25 January, 2012

Silent Killer, Economic Opportunity: Rethinking Non-communicable Diseases

This publication calls for awareness for non-communicable diseases (NCDs)- the greatest cause of deaths and disability for humans.

16 January, 2012

Advancing the Global Health Agenda

This publication of the Swiss Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies shows the increase in political prominence of global health. As health related issues have become a centre piece of the global agenda, significant resources in development aid have been made available to address major health problems.

04 January, 2012

Health research systems: promoting health equity or economic competitiveness?

This publication is a call for an investment in health policy and systems research, as funding for international research is still mainly channelled towards the development of new medical interventions rather than public health.

Please feel free to send your feedback to: office@eupha.org

3. Call for proposals, job opportunities

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Call for submission of papers

Call for submissions of papers for a *Public Health Reports* special issue focused on applying social determinants of health to public health practice.

This Call represents the *third* in a series of special issues published by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention focused on public health and social determinants of health (SDH). The first special issue is focused on:

Addressing Social Determinants of Health in the Prevention and Control of HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Infections, and Tuberculosis

Available at: http://bit.ly/zotVLn The second special issue is focused on: Data systems and their use in addressing social determinants of health (SDH) Available at: http://bit.ly/gyxHXD

The third special issue will be published in May/June 2013.

Once published the supplement will be available online with free access to download articles.

Call for Papers Public Health Reports (PHR)

Public Health Reports (PHR) is inviting papers for a Supplement on Applying Social Determinants of Health (SDH) to Public Health Practice.

PHR is a peer-reviewed journal of the U.S. Public Health Service and the U.S. Surgeon General. It is published in collaboration with the Association of Schools of Public Health. PHR is the oldest journal of public health in the U.S. and has published since 1878. The journal is widely distributed internationally, and is indexed by MEDLINE/Index Medicus, Current Contents, EMBASE/Excerpta Medica, Pais International, and LexisNexis.

The editors seek manuscripts that advance scientific knowledge and illustrate how public health professionals can address SDH across a range of public health activities that promote health equity among populations most disproportionately impacted by infectious and/or chronic diseases. Manuscripts may be analytic or descriptive in format and should report on SDH approaches in public health research, surveillance, communication, policy, program, capacity building, or partnership activities.

Deadline for submission: May 1, 2012. The anticipated publication date is May/June 2013. More information: http://www.publichealthreports.org/Callsforpapers.cfm#Practice

Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity: St. Michael's Hospital - Canada

The ACHIEVE Research Partnership: Action for Health Equity Interventions Centre for Research on Inner City Health, St. Michael's Hospital - Toronto, Ontario, Canada Website: http://bit.ly/ztcqlB

ACHIEVE will be explicit in promoting a community of practice and a philosophy of engaged scholarship, which the Big Ten universities has recently endorsed as the partnership of university knowledge and resources with those of the public and private sectors to enrich scholarship, research, and creative activity; enhance curriculum, teaching, and learning; prepare educated, engaged citizens; strengthen democratic values and civic responsibility; address critical societal issues; and contribute to the public good.

Program Information:

- Two-year term: September 2012 August 2014
- Stipend: Based on CIHR guidelines for qualified candidates
- Fellows are required to complete all training program components within the two years.
- 3-5 Fellows may be accepted for the 2012-2014 term
- Fellows are required to work onsite in Toronto, Canada
- Deadline to apply: February 13, 2012. Decision announcements: May 2012

Summer internship programs School of Public Health Michigan

for undergraduate students interested in public health and in eliminating health inequalities. Both programs are hosted by the University of Michigan - School of Public Health Application deadline is February 10, 2012

The Summer Enrichment Program in Health Management and Policy (SEP)
 Designed to familiarize undergraduate students with how management and policy can combine to combat inequalities in health care that confront low-income communities across the United State via practical work experience. Interns are placed in hospitals, community health centers, and other health care organizations in the Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint area.

The application is available at: http://www.sph.umich.edu/sep/

- The Future Public Health Leaders Program (FPHLP)

Designed to increase awareness of Health Behavior/Health Education and Environmental Health Sciences as viable career options for undergraduates and recent graduates interested in eliminating health disparities. Students will be placed in public health and community-based organizations in the

Southeast Michigan area that can provide them with experiential learning opportunities in either Health Behavior/Health Education or in Environmental Health.

For program details and application, please see: http://www.sitemaker.umich.edu/um-fphlp/

Call for Abstracts World Health Care Networks Conference

Abstracts are now open for the World Health Care Networks (WHCN) 2012 biennial Conference 26-28 July 2012 in Cairns, Australia.

Abstracts close 10 February

Health and social care professionals from around the world are invited to submit abstracts on one of the following three topics:

- Clinical and provider networks: service-level innovation

- Health governance and leadership networks: systems-level change

- Multi/cross-sectoral networks: health in all policies - networking across sectors

Successful abstracts will be presented in table top sessions to an international audience. The table top presentations will form part of the high-calibre 2012 program which is geared to expose delegates to the innovative ways that networks promote and facilitate international best-practice in primary health care; providing ample opportunity for ongoing knowledge exchange and relationship building. Information on WHCN, the 2012 program and the call for abstracts can all be found at www.whcnetworks.com. You can also follow us on twitter for the latest updates: @whcnetworks

4. Interesting News

European Gender Summit

Invitation to sign the Manifesto for Integrated Action on the Gender Dimension in Research and Innovation.

Over 700 European stakeholders have helped to formulate the Manifesto for Integrated Action on the Gender Dimension in Research and Innovation through their input to the public consultation and the discussions at the European Gender Summit.

This Manifesto is a work in progress to be advanced through evidence based actions and cooperation between scientists, policy makers and gender research scholars. It represents the knowledge and ideas of European organisations & individuals who believe that concrete actions are needed to enhance research and innovation in Europe by addressing gender equality issues.

Join them, and more than 900 signatories to date, and help changing the research and innovation systems in Europe. More about the manifesto at: www.gender-summit.eu

European Child Safety Alliance

We are pleased to announce that the European Child Safety Alliance now has its own Facebook page, which can be found at www.facebook.com/europeanchildsafetyalliance. We use the page to post important announcements and project updates (including TACTICS), share information about our new resources, and provide links to our country partners' sites and our own website, www.childsafetyeurope.org.

Please visit the page at www.facebook.com/europeanchildsafetyalliance and "Like" us. If your organisation also has a Facebook page, please inform us so that the European Child Safety Alliance can "Like" your page as well. If you do not yet have a page but wish to create one, clicking on the link will also lead to menu options for creating both personal and business pages.

Eurosafe

Its our pleasure to provide you with our Alert Vol. 7, issue 1. In this issue we present one of our latest reports on safety in sports: Safety in Basketball.

In this issue you will find also the section highlighting national efforts in injury data collection in European countries. This is done in the framework of the Joint Action for Injury Monitoring (JAMIE), sponsored by the European Commission, with the participation of competent authorities in 26 countries. Lithuania report in this issue on national injury surveillance efforts.

5. EUPHA member updates

French Society of Public Health - www.sfsp.fr

Colloque "La santé publique s'ouvre à de nouvelles compétences : Quelle légitimité pour quels métiers ? " will be organised on 23 March 2012 in Montpellier.

Colloque "Quelle politique pour une santé plus égalitaire ? " will be organised on 6 February 2012 in Paris.

6. Upcoming courses and conferences

GOING OINTERNATIONAL health information services

Going International (GI) promotes training and further education for experts and newcomers in public health and humanitarian assistance around the globe. The flagship of GI is the international course catalogue "medicine & health", a unique annual publication listing courses and congresses in the fields of biomedicine, public health and development cooperation. For further information: http://www.going-international.at/index.php?lang=EN Global International is an official partner of EUPHA.

Title:	DIABESITY - A World-Wide Challenge Towards a global initiative on gene-environment interactions in diabetes/obesity in specific populations
Organisers:	DG RTD and DG SANCO
Date:	09 - 10 February 2012
Place:	Charlemagne Building, Rue de la Loi 170, Brussels, Belgium
More information:	http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/events-12_en.html

Title:	CIP workshop: Funding opportunities in ICT for Health, Ageing Well &
	Inclusion
Organisers:	European Commission and ePractice.eu
Date:	17 February 2012
Place:	Brussels, Belgium
More information:	http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/newsroom/cf/news.cfm?item_type=calendar

Title:	Final Conference of the EcoChange FP6 Project - A European perspective on the future of biodiversity and ecosystems
Date:	21 - 22 March 2012
Place:	Zurich, Switzerland
More information:	http://www.ecochange-project.eu/Conference_Programme.pdf

Title:	The 6th Annual Nutrition and Lifestyle Conference
	Date: 27 - 28 March 2012
Place:	Brussels, Belgium
More information:	www.nutrition-lifestyle.eu

Title:	1st European Conference on Patient Empowerment - Patient Empowerment: Responding to the NCD challenge
Organisers:	ENOPE
Date:	11 - 12 April 2012
Place:	Copenhagen, Denmark
More information: www.enope.eu	

Title:	Global Health & Innovation Conference 2012
Organisers:	Unite For Sight, 9th Annual Conference
Date:	21 - 22 April 2012
Place:	Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, USA
More information:	http://bit.ly/w9feWY

Title:	URMPM Seminar for Risk & Emergency Management for HealthCare 2012
Organisers:	Union of Risk Management for Preventive Medicine (URMPM)
Date:	2 - 4 May 2012
Place:	University of London, UK
Registration:	http://www.eventsforce.net/urmpm
More information:	http://www.urmpm.org/IESRE2012May/outline.pdf
	http://www.urmpm.org/IESRE2012May/POSTER-IESRE2012.pdf

Title:	12th World Congress on Environmental Health
Organisers:	International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) and
	Lithuanian Union of Hygienists and Epidemiologists (LUHE)
Date:	22 - 27 May, 2012
Place:	Vilnius, Lithuania
Deadline:	abstract submission is 15 February 2012
More information:	www.ifeh2012.org

Title:	Health District Management: Planning and Programme Design
Organisers:	Swiss Tropical & Public Health Institute
Date:	18 - 29 June 2012
Place:	Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, Basel/Switzerland
More information:	http://www.swisstph.ch/teaching/professional-postgraduate/health-distr-
	management-planning-and-programme-design.html

Title:	Intervention mapping – designing theory-based and evidence-based programs
Date:	2 - 6 July 2012
Place:	Maastricht, The Netherlands
Organiser:	Maastricht University
More information	Anja.ronken@maastrichtuniversity.nl

Title:	Health District Management: Priority Setting and Resource Allocation
Organisers:	Swiss Tropical & Public Health Institute
Date:	2 - 13 July 2012
Place:	Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, Basel/Switzerland
More information:	http://www.swisstph.ch/teaching/professional-postgraduate/health-distr- management-priority-setting-and-resource-allocation.html

Title:	14 th International Summer School 2012 "Infectious Disease Epidemiology: Concepts, Methods, Mathematical Models, and Public Health"
Organisers:	Bielefeld University, Germany
Date:	3 - 7 September 2012
Place:	Bielefeld, Germany
More information	. http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/gesundhw/ag2/summerschoolide/
	http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/gesundhw/ag2/summerschoolmc/

Title: 4th International Summer School 2012 "Spatial-epidemiological modelling in Megacities: Statistical and spatial analysis for urban health under a changing climate"

Organisers:	Bielefeld University, Germany
Date:	3 - 7 September 2012
Place:	Bielefeld, Germany
More information:	http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/gesundhw/ag2/summerschoolide/
	http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/gesundhw/ag2/summerschoolmc/

 Title:
 EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF EPIDEMIOLOGY

 Organisers:
 International Epidemiological Association – European Epidemiology Federation (IEA-EEF)

 Date:
 5 - 8 September, 2012

 Place:
 Porto, Portugal

 Deadline:
 abstract (deadline: April 30), proposal of a thematic session (deadline: March 15)

 More information:
 http://www.euroepi2012.com

Title:	European Congress of Epidemiology - EUROEPI 2012	
Organisers:	Portuguese Association of Epidemiology; Institute of Public Health and Faculty of	
organisers.	Medicine of the University of Porto; European Epidemiology Federation	
Date:	5 - 8 September, 2012	
Place:	Porto, Portugal	
Deadline:	abstracts - 30th April, 2012; symposium - 15th March, 2012; early bird registration -	
	15th June, 2012	
More information: http://www.euroepi2012.com		

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7. Interesting publications

Primary Health Care in Bulgaria (bilingual) Bilingual publication by Petko Salchev www.freewebs.com/salchev www.ksmzm.medfac-sofia.eu

The quest for culturally sensitive health-care systems in Scotland:insights for a multi-ethnic Europe

Raj S. Bhopal J Public Health. published 20 January 2012, 10.1093/pubmed/fdr094 http://jpubhealth.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/fdr094v1?ct=ct

Macro-Economic Commission on Health, Social Determinants and Health as a Right The Commission on Macroeconomics and Health: 10 years on

P.Das,U. Samarasekera The Lancet, Volume 378, Issue 9807, 3 December 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/uKDqA7

The Commission on Macroeconomics and Health: was it the right recipe? Ronald Labonté, Arne Ruckert at: http://bit.ly/tKhaHj

Ecohealth Research in Practice

Innovative Applications of an Ecosystem Approach to Health Editor – D. F. Charron International Development Research Centre IDRC Ottawa, ON, Canada, 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/so4gkn

Governing public hospitals. Reform strategies and the movement towards institutional autonomy Edited by R. B. Saltman, A. Durán and H. F.W. Dubois Observatory Studies Series No. 25, 2011 WHO 2011, on behalf of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies

Available in English (PDF), 1.1 MB [278p.] at http://bit.ly/ugF5wi

Eliminating Health Inequities: Every Woman and Every Child Counts

International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health (PMNCH), November 2011 Website: http://bit.ly/sONyZt; PDF [44p.] English at: http://bit.ly/tQuFXP

Safety and security on the Internet. Challenges and advances in Member States

Based on the findings of the second global survey on eHealth WHO Global Observatory for eHealth series - Volume 4, December 2011 Available online PDF [92p.] at: http://bit.ly/tLLL3Z

Case studies address global health research, partnerships, equity

Edited by Z. Boutilier, I. Daibes and E. Di Ruggiero BMC International Health and Human Rights - Volume 11 Supplement 2 – November 2011 Available free online at: http://bit.ly/x5yRI7

Health research systems: promoting health equity or economic competitiveness? B. Pratt & B. Loff

Michael Kirby Centre for Public Health and Human Rights, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia Bulletin of the World Health Organization – January 2012 Available online at: http://bit.ly/yVse6O

Divided We Stand: Why Inequality Keeps Rising

ISBN Number:9789264111639 - December 2011 Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Website: bit.ly/shh3fr

How can the health equity impact of universal policies be evaluated? Insights into approaches and next steps

Edited by: B. Milton et al. WHO Collaborating Centre for Policy Research on Social Determinants of Health, University of Liverpool WHO Regional Office for Europe - 2011 Available online PDF [67p.] at: http://bit.ly/sIZJz1

User fee removal in the health sector in low-income countries: lessons from recent national initiatives

Edited by B. Meessen, L. Gilson and A. Tibouti Health Policy and Planning - Volume 26, Supplement 2 - November 2011 Available free online at: http://bit.ly/zTUg1n

Modeling causes of death: an integrated approach using CODEm K. J Foreman et al.

Population Health Metrics – January 2012, 10:1 doi:10.1186/1478-7954-10-1 Available online at: http://bit.ly/xYZWgM

Health economic assessment tools (HEAT) for walking and cycling -transport infrastructure and policies. Methodology and user guide

S. Kahlmeier et al. WHO Regional Office for Europe.2011 Available online PDF [46p.] at: http://bit.ly/zJVPYm

Silent Killer, Economic Opportunity: Rethinking Non-communicable Diseases S. Chand The Chatham House Centre on Global Health Security, 2012

Available online at: http://bit.ly/wn1xVx

The judgment process in evidence-based medicine and health technology assessment M. P Kelly and T. A Moore

Social Theory & Health (2012) 10, 1–19. doi:10.1057/sth.2011.21; December 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/yiBOxB

Nutrition and Business - How to engage?

United Nations Standing Committee on Nutrition UNSCN, 2011 Available online PDF [107p.] at: http://bit.ly/wVyqnN

Quality in Qualitative Evaluation: A framework for assessing research evidence

A Quality Framework L. Spencer et al. National Centre for Social Research UK Government Chief Social Researcher's Office, London: Cabinet Office. Available online at: http://bit.ly/zcNgfz . Rapid Evidence Assessment Toolkit at: http://bit.ly/wqiC2A

Why National eHealth Programs Need Dead Philosophers:

Wittgensteinian Reflections on Policymakers' Reluctance to Learn from History T. Greenhalgh et al. Queen Mary University of London The Milbank Quarterly - Volume 89, Number 4, December 2011 Available online at: http://bit.ly/vxvWJ8

Advancing the Global Health Agenda

Ilona Kickbusch, Director of the Global Health Programme, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva UN Chronicle, Vol. XLVIII No. 4, 2011 (30.12.2011) Available online at: http://bit.ly/wq6hn7

Health Situation in the Americas - Basic Indicators 2011

Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) Available online PDF [12p.] at: http://bit.ly/AvQwnH

The Global Health Strategy of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services For the period 2011 through 2015. The Global Health Strategy (GHS) is founded in HHS's mission

Available online PDF [60p.] at: http://1.usa.gov/x5V8aO

Global health governance as shared health governance

J. Ruger

J Epidemiol Community Health JECH December 14, 2011 as 10.1136/jech.2009.101097 Website: http://bit.ly/x7wQZL

Research Watch - the web TV/magazine of the UNICEF Office of Research - 2012 The Debate: Why is equity in health care crucial for the well being of children? Watch it at http://bit.ly/wsUmlg

Scenarios for primary care in 2025 and recommendations for working toward a preferred future Project of the Institute for Alternative Futures supported by a grant from the Kresge Foundation Available online at: http://bit.ly/y7qkXi

Scenario Workshop Toolkit:In addition to the full report, IAF has developed a scenario toolkit http://bit.ly/yU6n1o and slides http://bit.ly/yte9SU

8. European Commission news

Alcohol

Committee on National Alcohol Policy and Action, Brussels, 17 November 2011 Presentations and summary report

• Ageing

Commissioner Dalli delivers speech on the European Year for Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing in the 2012 EAHC call for proposals

Eurobarometer on Active Ageing released

Info-session: call for projects 2012 to support the European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing

• Blood, tissues and organs

Journalist Workshops on organ donation and transplantation - Articles of the 2010 and 2011 workshops: English translations now available

• DG Health and Consumers

Organisational chart Updated 01/01/2012

• Electromagnetic fields

2011 International Scientific Conference on EMF and Health, Brussels, 16-17 November 2011 Conference report and new presentations available

• E-Health

Commission implementing decision establishing the network of national responsible authorities on eHealth Health: driving forward the uptake of e-Health with a new network for European Co-operation

• Health Care

Publication: 'A system of health accounts', OECD, EUROSTAT, WHO (2011)

• Health programme

Slovakia - National Information Day on the Calls for proposals 2012, Bratislava, 24 January 2012 National information days on calls for proposals 2012 List of National Focal Points for Health Programme updated

• Medicinal products for human use

Public consultation on the principles and guidelines of good manufacturing practice for active substances in medicinal products for human use Deadline: 20 April 2012

• Nutrition and physical activity

EU platform for action on diet, physical activity and health - List of members updated Workshop on communication and information of the European Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health, Brussels, 25 January 2012 - Draft agenda available

Pharmaceuticals

New video: Buying medicines online: the wrong click could be fatal

• Preparedness and response

Technical guidance on generic preparedness planning for public health emergencies - 13 languages now available

• Public Health

Danish Presidency of the Council of the European Union - Priorities in the field of health List of eurobarometers updated New EU Health statistical reports added New video: Safe medicines for the EU Video : EU fights fake medicines - subtitled versions in 22 languages now available

• Scientific committees

Public Hearing on Improvement of Risk Assessment, Brussels, 27 February 2012 - Register now! Request for a rapid scientific opinion on the safety of PIP breast implants SCCS - Minutes of 15th Working Group on Sensitisation & Fragrances of 15 November 2011 Minutes of 6th Joint Working Group on Threshold of Toxicological Concern (TTC) of 7 December 2011 Hearing on Fragrance Allergens in Cosmetic Products, Brussels, 5 March 2012 - Register now! SCCS - 9 New opinions open for comments (Deadline for comments: 3 February 2012) SCCS: Minutes of the 12th Plenary meeting, Brussels, 20 September 2011 SCCS - Draft Agenda for the 13th plenary meeting, Brussels, 13-14 December 2011 Public consultation on the preliminary opinion on fragrance allergens in cosmetic products Deadline: 17 February 2012 SCHER - Contact details updated SCCS - Contact details updated SCENIHR - List of members and contact details updated Public consultation on the preliminary opinion on Nitrosamines and Secondary Amines in Cosmetic Products Deadline: 10 February 2012

SCCS - Minutes of 25th Working Group on Cosmetic Ingredients of 24 January 2012

Request for a scientific opinion on a risk assessment report from the Kingdom of Sweden - Cadmium in fertilisers

Request for a scientific opinion on Mercury in Certain Energy-saving Light Bulbs – Exposure of Children Request for a scientific opinion on Assessment of the tolerable daily intake of Barium

• Social determinants and health inequalities

Meeting of the Expert Group on Social Determinants and Health Inequalities, Luxembourg, 05-06 April 2011 Meeting report

Public consultation on the preliminary opinion concerning Improvement of Risk Assessment in View of the Needs of Risk Managers Deadline: 21 February 2011

• Task Force for monitoring disease eradication in the member states

BovineTuberculosis Subgroup Report of the "Bovine Tuberculosis", Sub-Group Task Force (Dublin, Ireland, 22-23 November 2011)

• Tobacco

Meeting with ESTOC, ECMA and ESTA, Brussels, 19 December 2011 Minutes available Meeting with cigarette manufacturers, Brussels, 02 December 2011 Minutes Ex-smokers are unstoppable - iCoach : a very special gift for a new year's resolution

9. European Centre for Diseases Control

Eurosurveillance, Volume 17, Issue 1, 05 January 2012

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EDITORIALS A note from the editors: 2011 in numbers and developments foreseen for 2012 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20051

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Three probable cases of cutaneous anthrax in autonomous province of Vojvodina, Serbia, June 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20050

NEWS

Call for applications for EPIET fellows http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20048

MISCELLANEOUS

Eurosurveillance reviewers in 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20047 In the national epidemiological bulletins - a selection from current issues http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20049 New issue of EpiSouth Quarterly Electronic Bulletin is online http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20046 Author's correction for Euro Surveill. 2011;16(50) http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20045

Eurosurveillance, Volume 17, Issue 2, 12 January 2012

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RESEARCH ARTICLES Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 antibodies after pandemic and trivalent seasonal influenza vaccination as well as natural infection in November 2010 in Hamburg, Germany http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20052

PERSPECTIVES Assessment of public health issues of migrants at the Greek-Turkish border, April 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20056 MEETING REPORTS Molecular epidemiology of human pathogens: how to translate breakthroughs into public health practice, Stockholm, November 2011 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20054 MISCELLANEOUS Call for papers for a special issue on molecular epidemiology of human pathogens http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20053

Eurosurveillance, Volume 17, Issue 3, 19 January 2012

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Applicability of evidence-based practice in public health: risk assessment on Q fever under an ongoing outbreak http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20060 Relation between Q fever notifications and Coxiella burnetii infections during the 2009 outbreak in the Netherlands http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20058

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10. WHO publications

Health systems, health, wealth and societal well-being. Assessing the case for investing in health systems

(Edited by Josep Figueras and Martin McKee)

This book looks at health systems from a new perspective. By reviewing the complex relationship between health systems, health and wealth, it argues that health systems need not be, as is often believed, simply a drag on resources but rather can be part and parcel of improving health and achieving better economic growth.

Aiming to assist policy-makers as they assess the case for investing in health systems, "Health systems, health, wealth and societal well-being" reviews the evidence and analyses some of the lessons that can be drawn from that evidence.

It will be of value to researchers, policy-makers and practitioners keen to understand what can be done to create equitable and sustainable health systems fit for the 21st century.

For more information about the book, how to order and a link to the electronic version check: http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-publish/abstracts/health-systems,-health,-wealth-and-societal-well-being.-assessing-the-case-for-investing-in-health-systems

HIV epidemic in Estonia: analysis of strategic information. Case study

(By Kristi Rüütel, Aire Trummal, Maris Salekešin, Cyril Pervilhac)

This publication describes an in-depth retrospective secondary data analysis, using triangulation principles, that was conducted to analyse the course of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Estonia, to describe the interventions implemented and to provide guidance and input for priority setting. For more information about the book, how to order and a link to the electronic version check: http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-publish/abstracts/hiv-epidemic-in-estonia-analysis-of-strategic-information.-case-study

Valuing water, valuing livelihoods – guidance on social cost-benefit analysis of drinking-water interventions, with special reference to small community water supplies.

WHO, Geneva, 2011.

Mental health atlas 2011.

WHO, Geneva, 2011.

The WHO e-atlas of disaster risk for the European Region. Volume 1. Exposure to natural hazards. Available only online. Coming soon on a CD-ROM

This e-atlas models the distribution of five natural hazards – seismic activity, floods, landslides, heatwaves and winds – and populations' exposure to them in 32 countries of the European Region. It provides the baseline data and maps needed to assess where the potential for damage may be the greatest and to underpin the call for more resources to improve emergency preparedness, reduce the health risks to vulnerable populations and aid the emergency response. This information also supports the identification, planning and prioritization of areas for prevention and mitigation activities.

The aim of the e-atlas is to raise awareness of disaster risk among ministries of health and other health stakeholders, and so stimulate improvement in their disaster-management capacity.

For more information about the atlas and a link to the electronic version check:

http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-publish/abstracts/who-e-atlas-of-disaster-risk-for-the-european-region-the.-volume-1.-exposure-to-natural-hazards.-version-2.0