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1. European Public Health Conference, Glasgow 2014, Milan 2015, Vienna 2016

Glasgow 2014: abstract supplement

The abstract supplement will be available as of 3 November 2014. For conference delegates, free access to the EJPB including the abstract supplement is possible from 3 November 2014 until 31 January 2015 by logging into the EUPHA database at http://www.eupha.org/cgi-files/mem_db.cgi.

Glasgow 2014: Extra seminar in Edinburgh: Are Health Inequalities Declining in Europe? - and If Not, Why Not?

Speaker: Professor Johan Mackenbach

Date: Tuesday 18 November 2014

Time: 5.00-7.00pm

Location: Lecture Theatre 5, Appleton Tower, 11 Crichton St, Edinburgh. This is a public lecture hosted by the Scottish Collaboration for Public Health Research and Policy and the Centre for Population Health Sciences. Please register free on this link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/are-health-inequalities-declining-in-the-eu-and-if-not-why-not-tickets-13432265267>

Milan 2015: Activities to present Milan 2015 in Glasgow

During the Glasgow 2014 conference, more information on the upcoming Milan 2015 conference can be found at the EPH Conference stand in the exhibition area of Hall 5 of the SECC. In the closing ceremony, Prof. Carlo Signorelli will officially invite all to come to Milan from 14 to 17 October 2015.

Vienna 2016: Activities to present Vienna 2016 in Glasgow

During the Glasgow 2014 conference, more information on Vienna 2016 can also be found at the EPH Conference stand in the exhibition area of Hall 5 of the SECC.

2. EUPHA update

[Joint press release] The European Health Community welcomes President-elect Juncker's decision to ensure the security of all Europeans by regulating health for the public good

October 22th 2014, Brussels – The NGO signatories of this statement wholeheartedly welcome the announcement of the reversal of the decision by President-elect Jean-Claude Juncker to move the competence for pharmaceutical and medical devices to the enterprise directorate (1). EUPHA is proud to be one of the signatories of this statement. For more information: <http://epha.org/6209>

EUPHA sections @ Glasgow 2014

During the Glasgow 2014 conference from 19-22 November 2014, our EUPHA sections have organized a large number of pre conferences and workshops. At the EUPHA stand, there is a meet and greet with section presidents and all sections are organizing their annual meeting. Don't miss the opportunity to get involved in the EUPHA sections. Membership is free of charge and can be organized by updating your profile in the EUPHA database: http://www.eupha.org/cgi-files/mem_db.cgi

3. Interesting News

Tackling global warming will improve health, save lives, and save money

A [very recent study](#) released in JAMA (Climate Change: Challenges and Opportunities for Global Health) provides a very thorough review showing how climate change affects human health. Perhaps more importantly, the paper also describes how tackling climate change leads to many health and economic benefits.

Living near the coast linked to increased physical activity

A team of researchers at the [University of Exeter Medical School](#) found that living near the coast is good as it promotes health and well-being by encouraging physical activity and lowering stress, leading to an overall good health. To prove the hypothesis, they focused on participants across England and described a noticeable effect on western, not eastern, coasts of nation.

Rising energy drink consumption may pose a threat to public health, says WHO

Energy drinks: the beverage that manufacturers claim can boost physical and mental performance. Many of us drink them, and many of us think they are harmless. But in a new review, researchers from the World Health Organization claim increasing consumption of energy drinks could pose a threat to public health. The number of emergency department visits involving energy drinks doubled between 2007 and 2011, from 10,068 visits to 20,783.

<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles...>

Facebook may play role in marketing junk food to teens, young adults (from American Journal of Public Health)

A new study claims that social media sites, such as Facebook, may contribute to marketing of unhealthy foods to adolescents and young adults. The research team, including Becky Freeman, PhD, of the University of Sydney in Australia, publish their findings in the *American Journal of Public Health*. Concerns have been raised about the marketing of junk food in the past, particularly when it is aimed toward children and adolescents.

<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles...>

Belgian Superior Health council publishes: The role of HPV in fertility. Should male donor gametes be screened?

The Superior Health Council has elaborated an advisory report about the screening of male donor gametes for human papillomavirus (HPV) in the context of assisted reproductive technology (ART).

The full report: <http://tinyurl.com/SHC-9180-HPV>

Everything you always wanted to know about European Union health policies but were afraid to ask

What does the European Union mean for health and health systems? More than one would think. The EU's health mandate allows for a comprehensive set of public health actions. And there are other EU policies, though not health related, which have important consequences for governing, financing, staffing and delivering health services. In other words: EU actions affect the health of Europe's population and the performance of health systems.

Given how important health systems are, we need an informed debate on the role of the EU and its contribution. But this is not easy because EU health policy is difficult to comprehend. There is no single strategy with a neat body of legislation implementing it; rather, there are many different objectives and instruments, some of which appear in unlikely places.

Understanding the EU role in health is especially important now, when health systems have to deal with a plethora of challenges, the European social model is confronted by the threat posed by the financial crisis, and the EU is facing increasing euro-scepticism in politics.

This short book makes EU health policy in its entirety (and complexity) accessible to political and technical debate. This book is aimed at policymakers and students of public health and health systems in the EU who want to understand how the EU can add value in their quest improving population health and the performance of health systems in Member States.

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/partners/observatory/studies/everything-you-always-wanted-to-know-about-european-union-health-policies-but-were-afraid-to-ask>

Online course Fundamentals of Global Health starts 3 November

This online, Utrecht University-accredited course Fundamentals of Global Health course aims to introduce the principles, history, origins and current trends in global health. In 3 weeks, you'll study global health governance as well as epidemiological transition and the social determinants of health. The course covers questions and topics such as current issues in global health, how health-related development strategies can address these major international health concerns, and how we can measure health and the burden of disease. Starts 3 Nov * 3 weeks, ca. 14h p/w * 1.5 EC* € 385
For more information and to enroll: <http://www.elevatehealth.eu/course/fundamentals-global-health>

The Lancet Ebola Resource Centre

The current outbreak of Ebola in West Africa constitutes the largest and most complex to date. Declared a public health emergency of international concern by WHO, the outbreak of a disease with no known treatment or vaccination is proving difficult to contain given the already fragile and under-resourced health systems in the affected areas.

In an effort to support the vital work being done, all related content from *The Lancet* family of journals is now freely accessible on our online Ebola Resource Centre:

http://ebola.thelancet.com/?elsca1=Ebola_Google_PPC&elsca2=PPC. If you are working in an area affected by Ebola or have expertise in this field of medicine, we encourage you to share your front-line experiences by posting comments on the Resource Centre homepage. You can also follow or join the discussion on Twitter using #EbolaOutbreak.

4. EUPHA members update

French Society of Public Health - latest issue of the Revue de Santé Publique

The latest issue of the Revue de Santé Publique is now available at
<http://www.ameli.fr/l-assurance-maladie/...>

Italian Society - SItI: new general secretary appointed, new president installed

At their annual meeting in October, the Italian Society of Hygiene, Preventive Medicine and Public Health appointed a new General Secretary: Professor Stefania Boccia, sboccia@rm.unicatt.it. At the same annual meeting, Prof. Carlo Signorelli, chair of Milan 2015, has been installed as SItI president.

5. Upcoming courses and conferences

Title: **ESCAIDE 2014**

Date / location: 5 Nov 2014 - 7 Nov 2014 / Stockholm, Sweden

Organiser: ECDC

Title: **Tackling health inequalities in Europe - What can the EU do to support the work done at local and regional level?**

Date / location: 5 Nov 2014 / Brussels, Belgium

Organiser: SALAR, EuroHealthNet and EUREGHA

Title: **ENCR Scientific Meeting and General Assembly: Towards a harmonised cancer information system in Europe**

Date / location: 12 Nov 2014 - 14 Nov 2014 / Ispra, Italy

Organiser: ENCR

Title: **5th International Hospital Congress**

Date / location: 20 Nov 2014 - 22 Nov 2014 / Lisbon, Portugal

Organiser: ADPH

Title: **Global Crisis of Depression event**

Date / location: 25 Nov 2014 / London< UK

Organiser: The Economist

Title: **European Obesity Forum**

Date / location: 26 Nov 2014 - 28 Nov 2014 / Lisbon, Portugal

Organiser: EPODE International Network

Title: **Concepts of Epidemiology (5-Day Course)**

Date / location: 8 Dec 2014 - 12 Dec 2014 / Edinburgh, UK

Organiser: University of Edinburgh

Title: **Medizinische Statistik für Nicht-StatistikerInnen in der Anwendung (Aufbaukurs)**

Date / location: 9 Dec 2014 - 10 Dec 2014 / Krems, Austria

Organiser: Danube University Krems

Title: **IV International Symposium on Wellness and Chronic Care**

Date / location: 12 Dec 2014 / Scottsdale, Arizona, United States

Organiser: Population Health Alliance

Title: **Health Technology Assessments**

Date / location: 16 Dec 2014 - 18 Dec 2014 / Krems, Austria

Organiser: Danube University Krems

Title: **14th World Congress on Public Health - WCPH 2015**

Date / location: 11 Feb 2015 - 15 Feb 2015 / Kolkata, India

Organiser: WFPHA

Title: **4th Global Forum on TB Vaccines**

Date / location: 21 Apr 2015 - 24 Apr 2015 / Shanghai, China

Title: **14th Annual International Conference on Health Economics, Management and Policy**

Date / location: 22 Jun 2015 - 25 Jun 2015 / Athens, Greece

Organiser: ATINER

Title: **COHRED Forum 2015: People at the center of research and innovation for health**
Date / location: 25 Aug 2015 - 27 Aug 2015 / Manila, Philippines
Organiser: COHRED

6. European Journal of Public Health

Associations between life conditions and multi-morbidity in marginalized populations: the case of Palestinian refugees

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Comparing sampling strategies to recruit migrants for an epidemiological study. Results from a German feasibility study

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Unmet health care needs of older people: prevalence and predictors in a French cross-sectional survey

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Association of physical activity with future mental health in older, mid-life and younger women

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Burden on family carers and care-related financial strain at the end of life: a cross-national population-based study

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Hierarchical spatio-temporal mapping of premature mortality due to alcoholic liver disease in Hungary, 2005-2010

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Randomized community-level HIV prevention intervention trial for men who drink in South African alcohol-serving venues

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

In search for a public health leadership competency framework to support leadership curriculum-a consensus study

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

The impact of the HDI on the association of psychosocial work demands with sickness absence and presenteeism

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Potential social, economic and general health benefits of consanguineous marriage: results from the Born in Bradford cohort study

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

European Public Health News Volume 24, Issue 5

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Economic shocks, resilience, and male suicides in the Great Recession: cross-national analysis of 20 EU countries

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Dietitian perceptions of low-calorie sweeteners

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Adolescent ecstasy use and depression: cause and effect, or two outcomes of home environment?

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

The need for integrating palliative care in ageing and dementia policies

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Energy drink consumption and the relation to socio-demographic factors and health behaviour among young adults in Denmark. A population-based study

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Economic impact of adult obesity on health systems: a systematic review

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

The right of access to health care for undocumented migrants: a revision of comparative analysis in the European context

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Roma health is global ill health

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Training European public health professionals--the role of young professional networks

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

An examination of Roma health insurance status in Central and Eastern Europe

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Informal payments for health services: the experience of Bulgaria after 10 years of formal co-payments

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Relevance of hospital characteristics as performance indicators for treatment of very-low-birth-weight neonates

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

AHRQ prevention quality indicators to assess the quality of primary care of local providers: a pilot study from Italy

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Dying in hospital: a study of incidence and factors related to hospital death using death certificate data

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Determinants of health care-seeking delay among tuberculosis patients in Shandong Province, China

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Delays in diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer: a multinational analysis

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Public attitudes towards preventive genomics and personal interest in genetic testing to prevent disease: a survey study

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Home blood pressure measurement as a screening tool for hypertension in a web-based worksite health promotion programme

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Effectiveness of interventions to increase hepatitis C testing uptake among high-risk groups: a systematic review

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Interventions to enhance informed choices among invitees of screening programmes--a systematic review

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

Burden of disability attributable to vertigo and dizziness in the aged: results from the KORA-Age study

<http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content...>

7. Interesting publications

Achieving equity within universal health coverage: a narrative review of progress and resources for measuring success

Anna M Rodney, Peter S Hill *International Journal for Equity in Health* 2014

[Abstract](#) | [Full text](#) | [PDF](#)

Creating change in government to address the social determinants of health: how can efforts be improved?

BMC Public Health 2014, 14:1087.doi:10.1186/1471-2458-14-1087 For further information: [click here](#).

Universal Health Coverage for Inclusive and Sustainable Development. A Synthesis of 11 Country Case Studies

Akiko Maeda, Edson Araujo, Cheryl Cashin, Joseph Harris, Naoki Ikegami, and Michael R. Reich
The World Bank, 2014

For further information: <http://elibrary.worldbank.org/doi/book/10.1596/978-1-4648-0297-3>

Equity-Oriented Monitoring in the Context of Universal Health Coverage

Ahmad Reza Hosseinpour, Nicole Bergen, Theadora Koller, Amit Prasad, Anne Schlottheuber, Nicole Valentine, John Lynch, Jeanette Vega

PLOS Medicine, September 22, 2014, DOI: 10.1371/journal.pmed.1001727. **Further information:** please [click here](#).

Health system responses to financial pressures in Ireland

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/part...>

Respiratory Epidemiology

European Respiratory Society

Editors: Isabella Annesi-Maesano, Bo Lundbäck and Giovanni Viegi

Publication date: September 2014

Price: €55.00

<http://www.ersnet.org/>

Online release of the second issue of the 'South Eastern European Journal of Public Health' (SEEJPH)

The second issue of the South Eastern European Journal of Public Health (SEEJPH), now available at:

<http://www.seejph.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/SEEJPH-second-volume-2.pdf>

8. European Commission news

Alzheimer

[Implementation report on the Commission Communication on a European initiative on Alzheimer's disease and other dementias](#)

Ebola

[European Union to boost Ebola research with €24.4 million](#)

[Report updated - ECDC risk assessment on outbreak on Ebola Virus Disease in West Africa](#)

[Opening Speaking Note at the Ebola High Level Co-ordination Meeting by Tonio Borg, Commissioner for Health](#)

[Questions and answers: Ebola and health implications for the EU](#)

[Report updated - ECDC risk assessment on outbreak on Ebola Virus Disease in West Africa](#)

Expert panel

[Future EU Agenda on Patient Safety and Quality of Care](#) Opinion adopted by Health Expert Panel

Health

[Taking stock of EU public health, food safety, animal and plant health policy achievements 2010-2014](#)

Health-EU Newsletter

["The European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing: a quicker route to reaching goals"](#) Editorial by Maddalena Illario, MD, PhD, Federico II University and Hospital, Naples

Health indicators

[Indicator on Patient mobility \(ECHI 75\)](#) Indicator implemented

Health Programme

[List of National Focal Points for Health Programme](#) Updated

Health technology assessment

[3rd meeting of the HTA Network \(Rome, 29 October 2014\)](#) Draft agenda available

Major and chronic diseases

[European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer - Calls for expressions of interest](#)

[4th European Code Against Cancer launched today](#)

Nutrition and physical activity

[Nutrition and physical activity actions addressing obesity](#) 2008-2013 EU-funded actions to support the public health priorities

Sexually transmitted diseases

[HIV/AIDS Think Tank \(9-10 July 2014\)](#)

Social determinants and health inequalities

[Meeting of the Expert Group on Social Determinants and Health Inequalities \(Luxembourg, 22 October 2014\)](#) Presentations available

[Conference on health inequalities and vulnerability \(20-21 October 2014, Rome\)](#)

9. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 42, 23 October 2014

Preliminary results from New Zealand suggest 54% effectiveness of influenza vaccine against hospitalisation for influenza and 67% against presentations to sentinel general practices

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Continued seasonal circulation of enterovirus D68 in the Netherlands, 2011–2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20935>

Assessing the impact of travel restrictions on international spread of the 2014 West African Ebola epidemic

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20936>

Colistin resistance superimposed to endemic carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae*: a rapidly evolving problem in Italy, November 2013 to April 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20939>

Interim estimates of the effectiveness of seasonal trivalent inactivated influenza vaccine in preventing influenza hospitalisations and primary care visits in Auckland, New Zealand, in 2014
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20934>

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Multiple human-to-human transmission from a severe case of psittacosis, Sweden, January–February 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20937>

Surveillance of invasive *Neisseria meningitidis* with a serogroup Y update, Sweden 2010 to 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20940>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 41, 16 October 2014

Based on experiences from earlier dengue outbreaks, the Pacific Region is in the early stage of an epidemic wave for dengue, chikungunya and Zika viruses that is likely to continue for several years.

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Concurrent outbreaks of dengue, chikungunya and Zika virus infections – an unprecedented epidemic wave of mosquito-borne viruses in the Pacific 2012–2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20929>

PERSPECTIVES

European Antibiotic Awareness Day: a five-year perspective of Europe-wide actions to promote prudent use of antibiotics

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20928>

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Decreased varicella and increased herpes zoster incidence at a sentinel medical deputising service in a setting of increasing varicella vaccine coverage in Victoria, Australia, 1998 to 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20926>

NEWS

First European guidelines on syndromic surveillance in human and animal health published

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20927>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 40, 9 October 2014

Data indicate that Europe has developed significant capability to detect the MERS-CoV in accordance with WHO and ECDC guidance

EDITORIAL

Preparedness is crucial for safe care of Ebola patients and to prevent onward transmission in Europe – outbreak control measures are needed at its roots in West Africa

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20925>

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Describing readmissions to an Ebola case management centre (CMC), Sierra Leone, 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20924>

Transmission dynamics and control of Ebola virus disease outbreak in Nigeria, July to September 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20920>

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Epidemiology of pertussis in Italy: Disease trends over the last century

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20921>

Laboratory capability and surveillance testing for Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus infection in the WHO European Region, June 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20923>

Effectiveness of 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine in adults aged 60 years and over in the Region of Madrid, Spain, 2008–2011

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20922>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 39, 2 October 2014

Reinforced hand hygiene with antiseptics active against non-enveloped viruses and HCWs with febrile respiratory symptoms avoiding direct patient contact critical to prevent nosocomial transmission of human adenovirus

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Influenza season in Réunion dominated by influenza B virus circulation associated with numerous cases of severe disease, France, 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20916>

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Outbreak of adenovirus type 1 severe pneumonia in a French intensive care unit, September–October 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20914>

Large outbreak of Salmonella Thompson related to smoked salmon in the Netherlands, August to December 2012

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20918>

MISCELLANEOUS

In the national epidemiological bulletins – a selection from current issues

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20917>

ECDC's latest publications

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20915>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 38, 25 September 2014

French study on pregnancy-related listeriosis indicates better awareness of dietary recommendations in pregnancy is necessary.

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Toxigenic *Corynebacterium ulcerans* in a fatal human case and her feline contacts, France, March 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20910>

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Emergence of enterovirus 71 C4a in Denmark, 2009 to 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20911>

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Pregnancy-related listeriosis in France, 1984 to 2011, with a focus on 606 cases from 1999 to 2011

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20909>

NEWS

The AIRSAN Project - Efficient, coherent EU level response to public health threats in air transport

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20913>

10. WHO news

Zsuzsanna Jakab nominated for second term as WHO Regional Director for Europe

At the regional meeting of WHO Europe, Zsuzsanna Jakab was nominated for a second term. EUPHA would like to congratulate her and looks forward to continued collaboration. [Click here](#) for more details.

Tackling Health Inequities: From Concepts to Practice

Despite remarkable health gains, inequities persist between and within countries in the WHO European Region, and Sweden is no exception. Actions to effectively tackle health inequities need to be carried out at all levels of government. Regions have a key role to play because they are close to their populations and have the power and skills to develop efficient public health policies that may help to reduce health disparities by changing the distribution of the social determinants of health. This report describes the process that the Region Västra Götaland, Sweden followed to mainstream health equity in its regional health plan; this resulted in the adoption of the Action Plan for Health Equity in Region Västra Götaland. This publication gives an account of not only the factors that made the Action Plan possible but also the obstacles encountered and the measures taken to overcome them. The report illustrates how the whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches central to the new European health policy, Health 2020, were implemented in a real setting.

WHO Europe October highlights

[Prevent child abuse and neglect](#)

There are about 190 million children aged under 18 in the WHO European Region. 18 million have experienced sexual abuse, 44 million have experienced physical abuse, and 55 million have experienced mental abuse. In this video, 7 individuals who experienced abuse in their childhood talk about their experience and what can make a difference and what should be done to ensure a safe and healthy childhood.

[Statement regarding interim findings of WHO assessment of deaths of children in Idleb governorate, Syrian Arab Republic](#) 29-09-2014

[Reducing salt consumption](#) 26-09-2014

[WHO delivers medicines and medical supplies to Ukraine](#) 24-09-2014

[WHO welcomes United Kingdom's donation of 700 hospital beds to Sierra Leone to fight Ebola](#) 23-09-2014

[Climate action co-benefits discussed at global summit in New York](#) 23-09-2014

[Europe leads the world in eliminating trans fats](#) 18-09-2014

[Country cooperation strategy \(CCS\) signed with Cyprus](#) 17-09-2014

[Country cooperation strategy signed with Portugal](#) 17-09-2014

[WHO delivers medicines and medical supplies to Ukraine](#) 24-09-2014