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1. EUPHA update

EUPHAnxt - October 2016 update

EUPHAnxt is involved in a wide range of activities in Vienna 2016. All students and young professionals are welcome to join these events:

- Four skills building seminars and workshops co-organised by EUPHAnxt have been accepted and will take place in Vienna.
- An informal get together for students and young professionals will be organised after the welcome reception, on Thursday 10th of November 21:00, at Einstein, a pub next to the Vienna City Hall.
- EUPHAnxt annual meeting will be held on Thursday 10th of November 12.00-13.00.

More information about the conference activities can be found on [EUPHAnxt Flash – Vienna 2016 special edition](#) and [EUPHAnxt Facebook page](#).

Join EUPHAnxt [here](#).

EUPHA supports Implementing the Position of research and patient organisations on the General Data Protection Regulation

Personal data is a vital resource for research that can save and improve lives. The Data Protection Regulation provides a strong basis for the safe use of personal data in research. Member States now have a crucial role to play in implementation.

Member States should:

- introduce clear laws for research with safeguards and exemptions that support research while respecting people's privacy;
- work across national ministries and with the research community to ensure that laws and guidance are practical, proportionate to any risks, and build on current good practice; and
- work together to promote harmonisation and compatibility between national systems where possible, to facilitate cross-border research.

<http://www.scienceeurope.org/wp-content/...>

Achievements of Slovak scientists presented in Brussels

With regard to their involvement in the European Research Area, the presentations of two significant Slovak health research scientists were held during the meeting of the Research Working Party in Brussels on 23 September 2016.

Dr Iveta Nagyova from the Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice presented the mission and activities of the European Public Health Association (EUPHA), where she acts as President of the Section of Chronic Diseases.

<http://pr.euractiv.com/pr/achievements-s...>

Editorial in the EJPH on Brexit

In European public health we trust?

Dineke Zeegers Paget, Natasha Azzopardi Muscat, and Martin McKee

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2. European Public Health Conference



9th European Public Health Conference: All for Health, Health for All Austria Centre Vienna, 9 - 12 November 2016

The Vienna 2016 conference is approaching fast. The scientific programme offers a wide range of public health topics organised in 16 tracks:

- A All for Health
- B Health for All

- C European public health
- D Health promotion
- E Lifestyles
- F Chronic and non-communicable diseases
- G Migrant and ethnic minority health
- H Child and adolescent public health
- I Mental health
- K Health information and infectious diseases
- L Inequalities and social empowerment
- M Health services and systems research
- N Health and care: research, policy and practice
- O Health data, methodology, monitoring and reporting
- P Communication in public health
- Q Workforce development and the work place

In the programme, there is ample time for networking, including 25 meetings inviting participants to 'Join the network'.

Last chance to register: <https://ephconference.eu/registration-fees-and-information-20>

3. EUPHA members update

News from SESPAS, the Spanish Society of Public Health and Health Administration

SESPAS is pleased to announce its [XVII conference](#), jointly organised by SESPAS, the Health Economics Association (AES) and the Spanish Society of Epidemiology (SEE), to be held in Barcelona between the 6th and 8th of September, 2017. The overall theme of the conference – Science for Action - is inspired by the idea that by offering rigorous analysis and scientific method, we can counter the growing ability of special interest groups to define and dominate the political agenda. We invite everyone to attend the meeting and to actively participate with your contributions to make this first joint SESPAS Congress a success. We will soon distribute its programme, highlighting the international speakers and sessions.

SESPAS' president, Beatriz González López-Valcárcel, successfully represented EUPHA in the first General Assembly of the [Alliance of Public Health Associations of the Americas \(AASPA\)](#), held in Panama from July 28 to 30. Furthermore, SESPAS participated in the [Preventing Overdiagnosis Conference](#) held in Barcelona last September, co-organising a workshop on *iatrogenics* with the Spanish Organization of Medical Colleges (OMC). SESPAS continues collaborating with the [Health and Trade Network](#) to prevent the negative health effects from international trade agreements like the TTIP. Our society will also participate in the EPHC preconference 'Making health instead of care as the business of healthcare - Enhancing the advocacy role of national public health associations in Europe', on Wednesday 9 November (14:00-17:00), jointly organised with the Dutch society. Last September SESPAS published a positioning on the debate of compulsory vaccination in Spain with the title "[Individual and collective responsibilities of the institutions, professionals and the population regarding vaccines](#)". The society also endorsed in September an international positioning on [Implementing the General Data Protection Regulation to maintain a competitive environment for research in Europe](#). And next November, the 2016 SESPAS Report "Public health and health policies: from knowledge to action" will be officially presented in the Andalusian Public Health School and will soon be available in SESPAS website.

For more information, please visit our website <http://www.sespas.es/>

Public Health Switzerland: annual conference

Menschen auf der Flucht – eine Herausforderung für das Schweizer Gesundheitssystem / « Les réfugiés et personnes déplacées – un défi pour le système de santé suisse »

Date / Location:

15. November 2016, Weltpostverein, Bern / 15 novembre 2016, Union Postale Universelle, Berne

Organiser:

Public Health Schweiz und Swiss School of Public Health (SSPH+) / Santé publique Suisse et la Swiss School of Public Health (SSPH+).
<http://conference.public-health.ch>

French Society of Public Health: call against tobacco

The French Society of Public Health (SFSP) is supporting the call fro public health professionals to act against tobacco. The alliance includes more than 30 organisations both national and international. The objective is to have 100'000 signatures to support this initiative. Sign up now:
Pour signer : <http://appeldes100000.fr/>

4. European Journal of Public Health



The [European Journal of Public Health](#) is a multidisciplinary journal in the field of public health.

The EJPH 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 2016, the impact factor of the journal is at 2.751. The 5-year impact factor is 2.512.

The EJPH is the official journal of EUPHA.

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Vishal S. Arora, Charlotte Kühlbrandt, and Martin McKee

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Health-care-related adverse events leading to admission in older individuals: incidence, predictive factors and consequences

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Thomas Hone, Raffaele Palladino, and Filippos T. Filippidis

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Sarah-Jo Sinnott, Richard Layte, Aoife Brick, and Michael J. Turner

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Philipp Hessel and Mauricio Avendano

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Socioeconomic inequalities in breast cancer incidence and mortality in Europe—a systematic review and meta-analysis

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5. Call for proposals, job opportunities

Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)

The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) invites applications for the following position:

Head of Section Public Health Training (PHC)

The deadline is 14 November 2016. For more information, visit the ECDC website:

<http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/aboutus/jobs/Pages/JobOpportunities.aspx>

Vacancy notice for the post of Director of ECDC

The Director is the legal representative and public face of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) and is accountable to the ECDC Management Board. She/he will lead and manage ECDC and take overall responsibility for its operations, ensuring the achievement of ECDC's objectives.

For detailed information on the job description, requirements and the application procedure, please visit the ECDC website at: <http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/aboutus/jobs/Pages/JobOpportunities.aspx>

The deadline for applications is 9 November 2016 at 12:00 noon Brussels time.

Call for papers: The Role of Digital Health to Support the Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

International Journal of Medical Informatics

Deadlines:

Submit abstract: December 19, 2016

Internal review abstracts for scope: January 16, 2017

Submit full manuscript: March 31, 2017

Rationale:

According to the World Health Organization, available data show that, in spite of the major progress during the Millennium Development Goal (MDG) era, major challenges remain in terms of reducing maternal and child mortality, improving nutrition, and achieving further progress in the battle against infectious diseases such as HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria, neglected tropical diseases, and hepatitis. The situation analysis also provides evidence of the importance of addressing non-communicable diseases and their risk factors, such as tobacco use, mental health problems, road traffic injuries, and environmental health issues.

Data on water and sanitation and air quality show that much more needs to be done to reduce risks to health. Weak health systems are a major obstacle in many countries, resulting in major deficiencies in universal health coverage for even the most basic health services and in inadequate preparedness for health emergencies. All these challenges are included under the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) #3: "Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages".

On the other hand, the spread and uptake of information and communications technologies (ICT) have the potential to level the playing field, by reducing some of these challenges and enabling information-sharing that will assist in equalizing these differences. Many ICT systems and devices, initially expensive and of limited dissemination, have become affordable and are widely used across many levels of society. Digital health technologies will play a significant role in achieving the SDGs.

Main Theme:

- We are soliciting manuscripts for inclusion in a special issue of Health Informatics titled, "**The Role of Digital Health to Support the Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).**"
- We welcome conceptual or empirical manuscripts with a local, national or international focus on the topic of digital health technologies and the SDG #3.
- We are particularly interested in manuscripts that employ interdisciplinary, intersectional, and/or innovative approaches to the conceptualization and measurement of the use of digital health in the achievement of the SDG #3.

- It is envisioned that the collection of articles included in this special issue will provide robust support for future directions in the digital health research, advocacy, and policy related to the impact of the SDGs.

The special issue of the International Journal of Medical Informatics will provide a platform for countries to make an analysis of what can be done in the area of digital health since the approval of the SDGs.

Manuscript submission process:

Review will take place in two stages.

First, we ask for extended abstracts of 900-1000 words, due December 19, 2016, that provide enough information about the conceptualization and measurement of digital health technologies and SDG #3 for review. We strongly encourage authors to mention: (1) the innovation in their approach to the study of digital health technologies and SDG #3; and (2) how this work will set the stage for future research, advocacy, and/or policy in this area.

Authors whose abstracts fall within the scope of the special issue will be invited to submit a full manuscript, due March 31, 2017. Acceptance of abstract does not ensure manuscript acceptance, as all manuscripts will be subject to full editorial board and peer review.

<http://bit.ly/2eXzLqW>

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR): Statistical analyst

The Statistical Analyst will support the research carried out by the Max Planck Research Group: Gender Gaps in Health and Survival (GGHS) by performing statistical programming and by analyzing large datasets, particularly register datasets and population-based survey datasets. The analyst will also be responsible for cleaning and preparing datasets for analysis, and for providing assistance as needed with other data management activities.

The GGHS investigates whether gender differences in health and mortality are universal across countries and the extent to which ethnic background, social position, civil status, and reproduction drive these differences. The research interests of the group also encompass health trends at older ages, determinants of long-term care use, cohort differences in health at older ages, and related topics.

The Statistical Analyst may also be asked to help teach some courses. Knowledge of German is not a requirement.

Required:

- a PhD in statistics, biostatistics, mathematics, or applied disciplines with strong quantitative skills, or more than three years of post-graduate work experience in a similar position
- experience using statistical software (e.g., Stata, R)
- knowledge of statistical methods commonly used in epidemiology, social science, and demography (e.g., ordinary least squares and logistic regression models, longitudinal data analysis, survival analysis, and multilevel models)

Preferred:

- experience working with large-scale datasets and multiple projects simultaneously
- experience analyzing health-related data
- ability to work equally well independently and in a collaborative setting
- an interest in learning new methods

Applications should include (in one pdf file):

- a detailed CV
- a letter of interest (maximum two pages)
- full contact information (e-mail and mail addresses) of two references

Applications should be sent to: apply-gghs@demogr.mpg.de. To ensure consideration, please submit your application by **December 9, 2016**. The review of applications will continue until the position is filled. Preference will be given to candidates who are able to start at an earlier point in time.

The initial appointment is for 3 years, but may be extended.

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR): Post-Doctoral Fellow or Research Scientist

The post-doc / research scientist will carry out research within the Max Planck Research Group: Gender Gaps in Health and Survival. His/her research will focus on investigating gender differences in

health and mortality by ethnic background, and on examining the respective roles of social position, civil status and reproduction in driving these differences. The research interests of the group also encompass health trends at older ages, determinants of long-term care use, cohort differences in health at older ages, and related topics.

The post-doc may also be asked to help teach some courses, co-supervise PhD students, organize workshops and lectures, and assist in the daily running of the group. Knowledge of German is not a requirement.

Qualifications/Requirements

- a PhD in epidemiology/public health, demography, sociology, statistics, or related fields
- a strong publication record (depending on career stage)
- strong quantitative skills and experience with individual-level data analysis
- a keen interest in health and mortality research and in working with large longitudinal data, such as register data
- a clear research plan, and a clear idea of how this plan fits within the overall research profile of the group
- the ability to work equally well independently and in a collaborative setting
- an excellent command of English, both in writing and in speaking
- an international network or a record of international collaboration is an advantage

Applications should include (in one pdf file):

1. a detailed CV (incl. honors, awards, and publications)
2. a two-page motivation letter that provides a clear picture of your current research activities and future research plans, describes how your interests align with the group's interests, and explains how you meet the selection criteria for this position
3. full contact information (e-mail and mail addresses) of two references

Applications should be sent to: appl-gghs@demogr.mpg.de. To ensure consideration, submit your application by **December 9, 2016**. The review of applications will continue until the position is filled. Preference will be given to candidates who are able to start at an earlier point in time.

The initial Post-doc/Research Scientist appointment is for three years, but may be extended.

Compensation for the appointment, which is based on salary level 14 of the German TVöD system, may vary depending on the qualifications of the candidate and is subject to the rules that apply to federal employees in Germany.

6. Interesting news

Tax on sugary foods and drinks backed by World Health Organisation

The World Health Organization (WHO) has added its support to countries which place a “sugar tax” on soft drinks. A new report from the body found that raising prices by 20% or more results in lower consumption and “improved nutrition.”

<http://www.bbc.com/news/health-37620087>

Academic Network on Sexual Health and Rights Policy (ANSER)

On 30 November, ANSER will be officially launched in Gent. This event will be followed immediately by an international conference on 1 and 2 December. The ANSER network unites 17 academic institutions from around the world and is funded by Ghent University and coordinated by ICRH. Speakers at the launch event will include Elke Sleurs (Belgian State Secretary for Science Policy) and Neil Datta (Secretary of the European Parliamentary Forum on Population and development). The purpose of the conference is to present research results in the field of SRHR, discuss their implications for policy and link researchers with policy makers. The conference is open to all researchers, policy makers, students and others that are interested in SRHR policy research. You can register for the launch and the conference on: anser@ugent.be ANSER website:

<http://www.ugent.be/anser/en>

Call for abstracts

Within the context of the ANSER conference (see above) we are inviting colleagues and students from universities and organisations worldwide to present their research on sexual and reproductive health and rights. The presentations have to address a topic related to SRHR and should make a link to policy. The best abstracts will be selected for oral and poster presentation. Abstracts should be limited

to maximum 2,000 characters and follow this structure: →Title, authors, affiliation →Background / problem statement →Objectives →Methods →Results →Conclusions/Discussion →Key words: 3-5 Abstracts have to be submitted to anser@ugent.be before 15 October 2016. A scientific committee of senior experts from Network member institutions will conduct a peer review and the final selection of the posters will be announced before 31 October 2016. More information: anser@ugent.be

Effective emissions limits in Europe could save thousands of lives every year

Effective emissions limits could save thousands of lives every year, yet more than half of coal power stations in Europe are operating with 'permission to pollute' above limits set in EU law. These are the findings of a new report 'Lifting Europe's Dark Cloud: How cutting coal saves lives' published today by the European Environmental Bureau (EEB), the Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL), Climate Action Network (CAN) Europe, WWF and Sandbag.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

1.7 million children started secondary school overweight or obese in last decade in England

During the last decade, 1,655,000 children have started secondary school overweight or obese in England, according to new calculations by Cancer Research UK for World Obesity Day.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

Global burden of disease study 2015 assesses the state of the world's health

Researchers have completed the most up-to-date analysis on the state of the world's health to equip governments and donors with evidence to identify national health challenges and priorities for intervention. This massive effort brings together 1870 independent experts in 127 countries and territories as part of the Global Burden of Disease, Injuries, and Risk Factors (GBD) 2015 study collaboration.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

When is maternal immunization ethically justified?

Vaccination during pregnancy can protect women, fetuses and newborn children against infectious diseases – especially in developing countries. Maternal immunization however also raises ethical questions. One expert has made a first systematic analysis of the ethics of maternal immunization, concluding that vaccination during pregnancy is ethically appropriate if it can protect mother or child against a concrete risk of a dangerous infection

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

Health of Europe revealed in new report

A new report compares health attitudes across 21 European countries. Findings show that women are more likely to suffer from depression and headaches, and men are much more likely to smoke and view themselves as overweight. The UK and Portugal display highest binge drinking rates, and across Europe, men consume almost twice as much alcohol as women.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

Cars vs. health: New paper suggests strategies for healthier planning

Automobiles -- and the planning and infrastructure to support them -- are making our cities sick, says an international group of researchers. The first of a new series of articles explores these connections and suggests several planning alternatives for better health.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

7. 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.

Title: **Maastricht University Health Care Leadership Course**

Date / location: 2 Nov 2016 - 5 Nov 2016 / Maastricht, The Netherlands

Organiser: Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences, Maastricht University

Title: **13th Annual Health Policy and Management Fall Institute**
Date / location: 7 Nov 2016 - 26 Nov 2016 / Barcelona, Spain
Organiser: John Hopkins Bloomberg school of Public Health

Title: **How to plan succesfully? A focus on priority setting, resource allocation and strategic planning for health**
Date / location: 14 Nov 2016 - 2 Dec 2016 / Ifakara, Tanzania
Organiser: Swiss TPH

Title: **AICR Research Conference**
Date / location: 14 Nov 2016 - 16 Nov 2016 / North Bethesda, United States
Organiser: American Institute for Cancer Research

Title: **International Conference on advances in medical and health science**
Date / location: 23 Nov 2016 - 25 Nov 2016 / Chaing Rai Provice, Thailand
Organiser: Mae Fah Luang University (host), WHO (co-host)

Title: **NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plans: Footprints for the future**
Date / location: 30 Nov 2016 / Salford, United Kingdom
Organiser: University of Salford, Manchester

Title: **One Health EcoHealth 2016**
Date / location: 4 Dec 2016 - 7 Dec 2016 / Melbourne, Australia
Organiser: International Association for Ecology and Health

Title: **Pregnancy and programming and later risk of obesity related disease**
Date / location: 12 Dec 2016 - 16 Dec 2016 / Frederiksberg, Denmark
Organiser: Graduate school of Health and Medical Sciences

Title: **Trajectoires Migratoires et santé Autour de la Naissance - Regards croisés sur les pratiques et la recherche**
Date / location: 2 Feb 2017 - 3 Feb 2017 / Brussels, Belgium
Organiser: University of Montreal, University of Geneva and the Free University of Brussels

Title: **31st International Papillomavirus Conference and Clinical and Public Health Workshops (HPV 2017)**
Date / location: 28 Feb 2017 - 4 Mar 2017 / Cape Town, South Africa
Organiser: International Papillomavirus Society

Title: **hospital-based interventions to contain antibiotic resistance in low-resource settings**
Date / location: 6 Mar 2017 - 24 Mar 2017 / Antwerp, Belgium
Organiser: Institute of Tropical Medicine in Antwerp

Title: **15th World Congres on Public Health**
Date / location: 3 Apr 2017 - 7 Apr 2017 / Melbourne, Australia
Organiser: WFPHA and Tunisian Association of Health Promotion

Title: **Health Promoting Health Care in times of crises – lessons from the past, directions for the future**
Date / location: 12 Apr 2017 - 14 Apr 2017 / Vienna, Austria
Organiser: Austrian HPH-Network and WHO-CC for Health Promotion in Hospitals and Health

Care at Austrian Public Health Institute

Title: **European Training Consortium summer school - Public Health Assets**

Date / location: 16 Jul 2017 - 29 Jul 2017 / Alicante, Spain

Organiser: European Training Consortium in Public Health and Health Promotion

Title: **The Sixth ESWI Influenza Conference**

Date / location: 10 Sep 2017 - 13 Sep 2017 / Riga, Latvia

Organiser: ESWI

Title: **Healthy aging at the crossroads: challenges and need for further action**

Date / location: 21 Sep 2017 - 23 Sep 2017 / Istanbul, Turkey

Organiser: The Healthy Community Association

Title: **14th International Conference on Urban Health**

Date / location: 26 Sep 2017 - 29 Sep 2017 / Coimbra, Portugal

Organiser: ISUH

Title: **8th International Conference of EBHC Teachers and Developers**

Date / location: 25 Oct 2017 - 28 Oct 2017 / Taormina, Italy

Organiser: GIMBE Foundation

Title: **IDF congress 2017**

Date / location: 4 Dec 2017 - 8 Dec 2017 / Abu Dhabi

Organiser: International Diabetes Federation

Title: **1st World Congress on Migration, Ethnicity, Race and Health - Diversity and health**

Date / location: 17 May 2018 - 19 May 2018 / Edinburgh, Scotland

Title: **The future of healthy living**

Date / location: 19 Jan 2019 / Salford, United Kingdom

Organiser: University of Salford

8. Interesting publications

Data Resource Profile: WHO Health Equity Monitor (HEM)

Ahmad Reza Hosseinpoor, Nicole Bergen, Anne Schlotheuber, Cesar Victora, Ties Boerma, Aluisio J.D. Barros

Int. J. Epidemiol. Advance Access, 2016, 1–7

Published online: 4 October 2016

<http://bit.ly/2egXbZ2>

The associations between domain-specific sedentary behaviours and dietary habits in European adults: a cross-sectional analysis of the SPOTLIGHT survey

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

Understanding how dogs encourage and motivate walking: cross-sectional findings from RESIDE

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

Enhancing health care equity with Indigenous populations: evidence-based strategies from an ethnographic study

Annette J. Browne, Colleen Varcoe, Josée Lavoie, Victoria Smye, Sabrina T. Wong, Murry Krause, David Tu, Olive Godwin, Koushambhi Khan and Alycia Fridkin

BMC Health Services Research (2016) 16:544
<http://bit.ly/2cXiUXH>

A randomised controlled trial of three very brief interventions for physical activity in primary care

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

Comparison of pharmaceutical, illicit drug, alcohol, nicotine and caffeine levels in wastewater with sale, seizure and consumption data for 8 European cities

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

Health Financing Assessment and Policy Analysis toward Universal Health Coverage: A Systematic Review of Qualitative Research

Minoo Alipouri Sakha, Arash Rashidian, Mohammad Bazyar, Ali Akbari Sari, Shahram Yazdani, Abbas Vosough Moghadam

Global Journal of Health Science, Vol 9, No 5 (2017)

Published online: 28 September 2016

<http://bit.ly/2dpRQi3>

Gender difference and effect of pharmacotherapy: findings from a smoking cessation service

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

Perceived effective and feasible strategies to promote healthy eating in young children: focus groups with parents, family child care providers and daycare assistants

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com...>

Violence against children in Latin America and Caribbean countries: a comprehensive review of national health sector efforts in prevention and response

Andrea L. Wirtz, Carmen Alvarez, Alessandra C. Guedes, Luisa Brumana, Cecilie Modvar, Nancy Glass

BMC Public Health

BMC series – open, inclusive and trusted 2016 16:1006

Published online: 22 September 2016

<http://bit.ly/2dxrOMO>

9. European Commission news

Alcohol 13-14 October 2016, Lisbon: Joint Action on Reducing Alcohol-related Harm shares its results

Blood, tissues and organs

Summary of the 2015 annual reporting of serious adverse reactions and events for blood and blood components

European Organ Donation Day: Read the blog piece by Commissioner Andriukaitis

European Organ Donation Day: See the NEW infographic on organs, blood, tissues and cells in the EU

Ad-hoc stakeholder meetings: call for expressions of interest

Cross-border care

Crossing a border for a medical treatment: Commission publishes data from 23 Member States

Member State Data on cross-border healthcare - Year 2015

Conference on cross-border healthcare Directive "Towards amplified awareness of EU rights to cross-border care" (24 October 2016) Programme updated

Endocrine Disruptors

Minutes of the last meetings with experts and Member States

Health systems performance assessment

7th meeting of the Expert Group on Health Systems Performance Assessment (HSPA) (23 September 2016) Minutes of the meeting

Health technology assessment

Commission launches public consultation on strengthening EU cooperation on Health Technology Assessment

Health-EU Newsletter

"Strengthening Vigilance in the field of Substances of Human Origin across the EU" Editorial by Alessandro Nanni Costa, Director General, Italian National Transplant Centre and Giancarlo Liunbruno, Director General, Italian National Blood Centre

Nutrition and physical activity

Good work needs an audience – 'Together' at Europe's health conferences

Almost 1 adult in 6 in the EU is considered obese Eurostat press release

1 in 7 persons aged 15 or over eats at least 5 portions of fruit or vegetables daily... while 1 in 3 does not eat any fruit or vegetables every day Eurostat press release

'We Love Eating' in Catalonia – Pilot project once again proves its transferability

Preparedness and response

Health Security Committee information meeting on migrant health action: health needs, existing activities and future action at EU level (28 September 2016) Flash report

Public Health

5 calls for proposals on Public Health topics: Rare Diseases, mental health, chronic and rheumatic diseases, breast cancer

10. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news

Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 43, 27 October 2016

In this issue:

Compared with 2014, newly diagnosed syphilis cases increased by 19% to a total of 6,834 cases in 2015 in Germany with men accounting for 93.8% of cases.

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Increased incidence of syphilis in men who have sex with men and risk management strategies, Germany, 2015

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22627>

RESEARCH ARTICLES

People living with HIV in Estonia: engagement in HIV care in 2013

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22624>

Real-time real-world analysis of seasonal influenza vaccine effectiveness: method development and assessment of a population-based cohort in Stockholm County, Sweden, seasons 2011/12 to 2014/15

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22625>

NEWS

Open Access Week, 24 to 30 October

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22626>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 42, 20 October 2016

In this issue:

Effectiveness of inactivated trivalent influenza vaccine in preventing hospitalisation for influenza A at 55% (95% CI: 42-64) in Japanese children during the 2014/15 season.

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Trivalent inactivated influenza vaccine effective against influenza A(H3N2) variant viruses in children during the 2014/15 season, Japan

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22619>

REVIEW ARTICLES

Herd effect from influenza vaccination in non-healthcare settings: a systematic review of randomised controlled trials and observational studies

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22622>

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Prolonged colonisation with *Escherichia coli* O25:ST131 versus other extended-spectrum beta-lactamase-producing *E. coli* in a long-term care facility with high endemic level of rectal colonisation, the Netherlands, 2013 to 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22617>

NEWS

ECDC launches public consultation on rotavirus vaccination in infancy

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22621>

MISCELLANEOUS

Authors' correction for Euro Surveill. 2016;21(41)

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22623>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 41, 13 October 2016

In this issue:

A report that gastroenteritis and diarrhoea cases identified by syndromic surveillance during a boil water notice possibly resulted from healthcare seeking behaviour changes driven by media attention

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

The potential impact of media reporting in syndromic surveillance: an example using a possible *Cryptosporidium* exposure in North West England, August to September 2015

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22610>

Improving influenza virological surveillance in Europe: strain-based reporting of antigenic and genetic characterisation data, 11 European countries, influenza season 2013/14

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22612>

LETTERS

Letter to the editor: A norovirus intervariant GII.4 recombinant in Victoria, Australia, June 2016: the next epidemic variant? Reflections and a note of caution

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22614>

Authors reply: A norovirus intervariant GII.4 recombinant in Victoria, Australia, June 2016: the next epidemic variant? Reflections and a note of caution

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22615>

Eurosurveillance, Volume 21, Issue 40, 06 October 2016

In this issue:

Eurosurveillance listed as journal fully participating in PubMed Central with automatic uploads of articles

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORT

Outbreak of *Salmonella* Enteritidis linked to the consumption of frozen beefburgers received from a food bank and originating from Poland: northern France, December 2014 to April 2015

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22605>

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Tuberculosis contact investigations associated with air travel in Ireland, September 2011 to November 2014

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22599>

LETTERS

Letter to the editor: Regarding the editorial by Penttinen and Friede

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22608>
Author's reply: Regarding the editorial by Penttinen and Friede
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22609>

MISCELLANEOUS

Editorial note – *Eurosurveillance* articles automatically deposited at PubMed Central

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22606>

In the national epidemiological bulletins – a selection from current issues

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22607>

ECDC's latest publications

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=22604>