



EUPHA Newsletter 3, 2009

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1. EUPHA 2009: Lodz, Poland

The preparations for the 2nd Joint European Public Health Conference in Lodz, Poland (25 to 28 November 2009) are well on its way. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is the 1st of May (midnight).

We are also planning a number of extra activities, including (but not limited to):

- Pre conference organised by the European Public Health Alliance (EPHA)
- Pre conference organised by ASPHER
- Pre conference on migration and health organised by our EUPHA section on Migrant Health. In this pre conference, the results of the MEHO project (Migrant and Ethnic Health Observatory project) will be presented.
- Pre conference by the EUPHA section on Public Mental Health, organised as an excursion to Auschwitz /Oswiecim.
- Pre conference of the EUPHA section on Environment-related Diseases, which is a training based upon the PHEEDUNET project on training in environmental public health
- Pre conference of the EUPHA section on Social Security and Health on Research on gender differences in sickness absence.

Other activities include:

- A seminar organised on Thursday morning by Sanofi Pasteur MSD in collaboration with EUPHA
- A seminar organised on Friday lunch time by Glaxo Smithkline in collaboration with EUPHA.

2. Job opportunities

The EHESP School of Public Health is offering a Postdoctoral fellowship through its Centre for research on Risk and Regulation. The postdoctoral fellowship will start on Sept 1, 2009 or Oct 1, 2009 for a period of 18 months renewable.

The Centre of Research on Risk and Regulation (C3R) is an interdisciplinary research centre at EHESP School of Public Health located in the heart of Paris. The post offers an exciting opportunity for career development in an interdisciplinary and international research environment.

The successful candidate will be expected to develop and complete projects independently and to interact with colleagues from different disciplines (epidemiology, psychology, sociology, economics and statistics) and countries. Applications are particularly invited from social and medical scientists working in C3R's main areas of research, namely:

- The role of environmental, psychosocial, or socio-cultural factors on risk perceptions and health behaviours.
- The relationships between behavioural principles and physical health and illness.
- The influence of regulations on risk behaviours, diseases prevalence and social disparities in health.

Applications for a postdoctoral fellowship within C3R are invited from social scientists with a recently completed PhD with experience of survey methodology, undertaking data collection by questionnaires and structured interviews. A fair level of competence in statistical analysis is required. Preference will be given to applicants working, or prepared to work, in one of the three areas specified above, but other areas of health risk and regulation research relevant to C3R's agenda will also be considered. Basic knowledge of the French language is not required for native English speaker but would be an advantage.

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Applications should be received by June 30th, 2009. Applicants should provide a curriculum vitae and a research proposal (no more than two-three A4 pages, A4 format) for the duration of the fellowship.

Any query or further details about applications should be sent to:

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For further details on EHESP School of Public Health, visit the website at www.ehesp.fr

The Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research, World Health Organization

Technical officer, in the areas of pharmaceutical policy and use of evidence to inform policy-making

Deadline for applying: 14 April 2009

For additional details about the above vacancy or to send your application, please go to:

Vacancy Notice No: HQ/09/HQ/HSS/FT158

https://erecruit.who.int/public/hrd-cl-vac-view.asp?o_c=1000&jobinfo_uid_c=21065&vaclng=en

EHMA Summer Stagiaire Programme

EHMA is looking to fill two positions of its internship programme from 1 May to 31 July (3 month).

Stagiaires are not usually salaried positions, but EHMA does offer a stipend designed to cover subsistence costs. EHMA has a young and dynamic team that works in a stimulating and challenging environment. The stagiaire(s) will be involved in the workings of the EHMA office and are expected to help out with a variety of internal and external processes, such as events, projects, policy briefs etc. We

are specifically looking for motivated candidates with an interest in (1) project and events management or (2) policy. Please find the detailed post descriptions attached to this email. We kindly ask all members to forward these ads to anyone who might be interested in applying for the stagiaire programme. For more information, please contact Britta.Baer@ehma.org.

3. Interesting news

Directory of Grants and Fellowships in the Global Health Sciences Fogarty International Center - National Institutes of Health, NIH - Bethesda, MD USA

Website: http://www.fic.nih.gov/funding/directory_fellowships.htm

For the fourth time, the Global Forum and The Lancet invite young researchers and leaders of tomorrow to submit an essay to the popular competition "Young Voices in Research for Health": Innovating for the health of all. The deadline for receipt of entries is 3 May 2009.

If you are a young professional (under 30) working on or interested in the broad spectrum of research for health, please feel free to submit your original, provocative, idealistic and passionate ideas on this year's theme, taking established practices to task in a constructive fashion. You will find the participation guidelines here: <http://www.globalforumhealth.org/shlinks/yvhr2009.php>

This year's competition focuses on "Innovating for the health of all". "Innovation" encompasses the entire process from the generation of new ideas, to their transformation into something useful, to their implementation. Innovation for health includes the development of new and more cost-effective services, products, methods, management practices and policies to improve health outcomes. It involves both social and technological innovation.

The 40 most outstanding essays will be published in an anthology and the authors are featured one by one on the Global Forum's home page throughout the year. From these, five or six winners from different geographical regions will be invited to Forum 2009, with all expenses paid (Havana, Cuba, from 16 to 20 November).

You can submit your essay here: <http://www.globalforumhealth.org/shlinks/yvhr2009.php> (in English, French or Spanish) and/or help spread the word by forwarding this message.

Global Forum for Health Research: Executive director will step down

Stephen Matlin, the Executive Director of the Global Forum for Health Research, has announced he will step down at the end of 2009, when he had completed six years in this position.

2009 Child Safety Report Cards to be launched

On May 6, 2009 the European Child Safety Alliance of EuroSafe will launch Child Safety Report Cards for more than 20 European countries at the European Parliament in Strasbourg with the support of MEP Arlene McCarthy Chair of the Internal Market and Consumer Protection Committee, European Commissioner for Consumers Meglena Kuneva and European Commissioner for Health Androulla Vassiliou.

Simultaneous launches are being prepared in participating countries. National Child Safety Report Cards and Country Profiles will be available for Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, England, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Portugal, Scotland, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Wales.

The 2009 Report Cards and Profiles describe: 1) how well a country is doing to make it safe for children, 2) what priority issues need to be addressed, and 3) which good practices should be adopted to prevent accidental injuries and to save more children's lives.

The Report Cards assess the extent of safety measures provided to children and adolescents by examining and grading the adoption, implementation and enforcement of national level evidence-based policies. A 24-country summary report card provides a multi-country overview to facilitate European-level planning to support national level efforts.

The 12 policy topics within the report cards comprise nine areas of safety relevant to children and adolescents:

- Passenger safety,
- Motor scooter and moped safety,
- Pedestrian safety and
- Cycling safety,
- Water safety/drowning prevention,
- Fall prevention,
- Burn prevention,
- Poisoning prevention,
- Choking/strangulation prevention.

Plus three areas of strategy to support child safety efforts:

- Leadership,
- Infrastructure and
- Capacity.

The launch of the 2009 report card results on May 6 will communicate the country performance grades, evidenced safety measures in place, good practice gaps to be explored for improvement, and progress made by the 14 countries where the 2009 report card is their second report card (their first being released in November 2007). Participating countries are using their report card assessments as part of developing and/or implementing child safety action plans within the Child Safety Action Plan (CSAP) initiative of the European Child Safety Alliance.

CSAP is being conducted through funding and partnership with the European Commission, Health & Environment Alliance (HEAL), UNICEF, World Health Organization (WHO) and the national partner organisations.

For more information and results on May 6, 2009 go to: www.childsafetyeurope.org

NRW Institute of Work and Health

Due to the merger of the former Institute of Public Health (Ioegd) and the Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (LAfA) in 2008 the NRW Institute of Work and Health (in German: Landesinstitut für Gesundheit und Arbeit des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen – LIGA.NRW) was created. I would kindly ask you to change the entry in the list of EUPHA Associate members published on Internet (http://www.eupha.org/site/associate_members.php) as following:

NRW Institute of Health and Work (LIGA.NRW)
Ulenbergstr. 127-131, D-40225 Düsseldorf

I2sare– Newsletter

The European project I2SARE, Health Inequalities Indicators in the Regions of Europe, was established to produce a health profile for each region of the European Union and to create a typology of those regions and typologies of sub regional territories in a selection of countries and regions.

I2SARE's main objective is to assist European, national, regional and local decision makers in developing their health policy, through a better understanding of the health status of the population and of health inequalities at regional and sub regional level.

I2sare– Newsletter - Building a Network for Health Inequalities Information- number 1 describes the project, its rationale and aims. In this issue, our Work Package leaders also detail their tasks.

I2SARE also wants to promote sub national institutions working on Health Information, to favour exchanges and to develop networking activities between them.

If you wish to subscribe, please contact: newsletter@i2sare.eu

4. Upcoming courses and conferences

Going International (Partner of EUPHA)

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>

Title	Reducing Health Inequalities What Do We Really Know About Successful Strategies?
Date	8–9 May 2009
Place	Bielefeld, Germany
Organiser	School of Public Health, University of Bielefeld, and Hertie School of Governance, Berlin
More information	http://www.hertie-school.org/binaries/addon/1085_rhi.pdf
Title	Training course on reducing the burden of non-communicable diseases: addressing the causes of the causes
Date	7-12 June 2009
Place	Venice, Italy
Organiser	Ss. Giovanni e Paolo hospital, Venice, Italy; WHO and the Veneto Region
More information	www.medicina.unipd.it/on-line/home/international/news/articolo921.htm
Title	Reducing the Burden of Noncommunicable Diseases: Addressing the Causes of the Causes
Date	From 7th to 12th June 2009
Place	University of Padua - Facoltà di Medicina e Chirurgia - Università degli Studi di Padova
More information and	http://www.medicina.unipd.it/on-line/Home/International/News/articolo921.html http://www.sabiwork.it/show_details.php?id=150
Title	Course on Reducing the Burden of NCD: Addressing the Causes of the Causes
Date	7-12 June 2009
Place	Venice (Italy)
Organiser	Padua University Medical School and WHO
Title	9th WONCA Rural Health World Conference Health Inequalities
Date	12-14 June 2009
Place	Heraklion Crete, Greece
Deadline	Early registration: 27 April 2009
More information	www.ruralwonca2009.org
Title	Faculty of Health: annual conference 2009: leading for health: evidence, policy and practice
Date	16-18 June 2009
Place	Scarborough, England
Organiser	UK Faculty of Health
More information	events@fph.org.uk
Title	EHMA annual conference: Success in a Changing Market: funding, innovation, communication
Date	24-26 June 2009
Place	Innsbruck, Austria
Organiser	EHMA
Deadline	for early bird discount: 8 May 2009
More information	www.ehma.org

Title 8th International Conference on Health Economics, Management and Policy
Date 29-30 June 2009 & 1-2 July 2009
Place Athens, Greece
Organiser University of Athens
More information www.atiner.gr/docs/Health.htm

Title **SVRI Forum 2009: Coordinated evidence-based responses to end sexual violence**
Date 6-9 July 2009
Place Johannesburg, South Africa
Organiser Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI), Global Forum for Health Research
More information <http://www.globalforumhealth.org/>

Title **Nationale Tagung für betriebliche Gesundheitsförderung 2009**
«Gesund und leistungsfähig in der 24-Stunden-Gesellschaft»
Date 9. July 2009
Place Zurich, Switzerland
Organiser Stiftung Gesundheitsfoerderung Schweiz
More information www.gesundheitsfoerderung.ch/tagung

Title **Summer School on Vaccinology**
Date 9-15 July 2009
Place Antwerp, Belgium
Organiser University of Antwerp, Centre for the Evaluation of Vaccination and European Medical Students Association Antwerp
More information www.ua.ac.be/cev/summerschool and sue.tack@ua.ac.be

Title **Summer school Innovation and health technology assessment: improving health system quality**
Date: 26-31 July 2009
Place Venice, Italy
Organiser: European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies
Deadline 15 May 2009
More information www.observatorysummerschool.org

Title **14th annual meeting of the EADPH**
Date 3 – 5 September 2009
Place Tromso, Norway
Organiser European Association of Dental Public Health
More information www.eadph2009.no

Title **Infectious Disease Epidemiology (IDE) - Modern Surveillance, Mathematical Modelling, International Dimensions**
Date 07-11 September 2009
Language: English
Place Bielefeld University, Germany
More information <http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/gesundhw/ag2/summerschoolide/>

Title **Introduction to Mathematical Models of the Epidemiology & Control of Infectious Diseases**
Date 7-18 September 2009
Place London, UK
Organiser Imperial College London
More information <http://www.InfectiousDiseaseModels.org>

Title: "Ecology and Forests for Public Health"
Date 18-20 Sept. 2009
Place Oslo, Norway
Organiser: NatureCultureHealth Int. and Norwegian Public Health Association

More info: www.nacuheal.net

Title **Congrès SFSP 2009 Nantes *La Nouvelle Gouvernance en Santé***
Date 1^{er} au 3 octobre 2009.
Place Nantes, France
Organiser Société française de santé publicu
Deadline 15 April 2009
More information www.sfsp.fr

Title **10th annual conference on Health Impact Assessment**
Date 14-16 October 2009
Place Rotterdam, the Netherlands
Organiser NIGZ and partners
More information hia09@nigz.nl

Title **7e congrès européen de psychologie communautaire :
"Psychologie communautaire : Valeurs communes, Pratiques diverses"**
Date 29 et 30 octobre 2009
Place Paris, France
Deadline 30 April 2009
More information www.eccp-paris2009.com

Title **The Fourth International Jerusalem Conference on Health Policy**
Date 7-10 December 2009
Place Jerusalem, Israel
Deadline for abstracts: 31 May 2009
More information www.israelhpr.org.il

5. Interesting publications

Crosstalks Book Release - "In Sickness and in Health.

The Future of Medicine: Added Value & Global Access"

ASP/VUB Press will sell copies (20€ release price i.s.o. 24.95€) at the release event

More information is available on <http://crosstalks.vub.ac.be> > publications

You can order a copy on the website of ASP/VUB Press: <http://www.aspeditions.be/> > VUB Press.

Health inequalities in European welfare states. Saarbrücken: Eikemo, T.A. (2009) VDM-publishing.
Drug-resistant tuberculosis: challenges, consequences and strategies for control. European Academies/
Science advisory council, March 2009. This report can be found at www.easac.eu

The first document, 'Feasibility of large scale interventions for preventing falls among older people in the European Union', is a technical report providing key information on the methods and results of four studies conducted during the APOLLO Work Package 4 project. In addition this report also includes a case study of two implementations of the same intervention in two EU countries.

The second document, published in November 2008, presents the results of the four studies in the form of a 'A guide for implementers of interventions to prevent falls in community dwelling older people'.

Finally, a third document, 'Prevention of falls in older people: Time to act', provides recommendations for promoting the prevention of falls in community-dwelling older people. It covers areas such as what works in preventing falls, facilitating and monitoring the success of the proposed intervention fall prevention and the promotion of health and mental well-being in older people.

Which Households Are At Risk Of Catastrophic Health Spending:

Experience In Thailand After Universal Coverage

Exploring the reasons why some households still incur high levels of spending--even under universal coverage--can help policymakers devise solutions.

Tewarit Somkotra, Leizel Lagrada.

HEALTH AFFAIRS - Web Exclusive – March 31, 2009. Project HOPE--The People-to-People Health Foundation, Inc

Available online at: <http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/full/hlthaff.28.3.w467/DC1>

Ethics and governance of global health inequalities

J P Ruger

J Epidemiol Community Health 2006;60:998–100

Available online at:

<http://jech.bmj.com/cgi/content/abstract/60/11/998?maxtoshow=&HITS=10&hits=10&RESULTFORMAT=1&author1=ruger&andorexacttitle=and&andorexacttitleabs=and&andorexactfulltext=and&searchid=1&FIRSTINDEX=0&sortspec=relevance&fdate=//&tdate=//&resourcetype=HWCIT,HWELTR>

HSRProj (Health Services Research Projects in Progress)

National Information Center on Health Services Research and Health Care Technology (NICHSR)

Website: http://wwwcf.nlm.nih.gov/hsr_project/home_proj.cfm

Opening up public health: a strategy of information and communication technology to support population health

Prof Daniel D Reidpath PhD and Pascale Allotey PhD

The Lancet, Volume 373, Issue 9668, 21 March 2009-27 March 2009

Website: http://www.sciencedirect.com/science?_ob=ArticleURL&_udi=B6T1B-4VW5889-X&_user=3824252&_rdoc=1&_fmt=&_orig=search&_sort=d&view=c&_acct=C000055308&_version=1&_urlVersion=0&_userid=3824252&md5=699493c890a6c0339fc636b34d4101ef

The Population Health Intervention Research Initiative for Canada

L'Initiative de recherche interventionnelle en santé des populations du Canada

January/February 2009, Vol. 100, No. 1, Special Insert

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Better Aid Managing Development Resources:

The Use of Country Systems in Public Financial Management

Complete Edition - ISBN 9789264056169) 2009, vol. 2009, no. 3, pp. 1 - 95

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development OECD

Available online at :

<http://oberon.sourceoecd.org/vl=1863864/cl=11/nw=1/rpsv/ij/oecdthemes/99980010/v2009n3/s1/p11>

Social Security Reforms in Colombia: Striking Demographic and Fiscal Balances

Clavijo, Sergio,

Working Paper No. 09/58: IMF International Monetary Fund, March 2009

Available online PDF [33p.] at: <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/wp/2009/wp0958.pdf>

Coordination between primary and secondary healthcare in Denmark and Sweden

Sarah Wadmann, Martin Strandberg-Larsen, Karsten Vrangbæk.

International Journal of Integrated Care, Volume 9, 12 March 2009 - ISSN 1568-4156

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Cáncer de mama: un reto para la sociedad y los sistemas de salud

Suplemento especial de la Revista Salud Pública de México, del Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública Cuernavaca, Morelos, México - Volumen 51, Suplemento 2 – Marzo del 2009

Disponible en texto completo en URL:

<http://bvs.insp.mx/rsp/antiores/numero.php?year=2009&vol=51&num=2&tipo=suplemento>

Investing in hospitals of the future

Bernd Rechel, Stephen Wright, Nigel Edwards, Barrie Dowdeswell, Martin McKee

World Health Organization 2009, on behalf of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies

Available online as PDF file [304p.] at: <http://www.euro.who.int/Document/E92354.pdf>

State of the World's Cities 2008/2009 - Harmonious Cities

Earthscan in the UK and USA in 2008 for and on behalf of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT), 2008

Available online as PDF file [288p.] at:

<http://www.unchs.org/pmss/getElectronicVersion.asp?nr=2562&alt=1>

Special Edition of the Journal of Ambulatory Care Management:

Innovations in Primary Health Care in the Americas

April/June 2009, Volume 32, Issue 2 at: <http://www.ambulatorycaremanagement.com/>

Global Tuberculosis Control, Epidemiology, Strategy, Financing

WHO Report 2009 - WHO/HTM/TB/2009.411

Website: http://www.who.int/tb/publications/global_report/2009/en/index.html

Global public action in health and pharmaceutical policies: politics and policy priorities

IKD - Innovation, Knowledge and Development- Working Paper No. 45- February 2009

The Open University

Meri Koivusalo¹ and Maureen Mackintosh²

Available online as PDF [48p.] at: <http://www.open.ac.uk/ikd/documents/working-papers/ikd-working-paper-45.pdf>

From Paris to Accra - Will Aid Become Effective Now?

Development Outreach, February 2009

Development OUTREACH is a flagship magazine in the field of global knowledge for development

After Accra: Delivering on the Agenda for Action

Website: <http://www1.worldbank.org/devoutreach/index.html>

Health Research Classification System (HRCS)

Developed by UK Clinical Research Collaboration (UKCRC) Partners

Website <http://www.hrcsonline.net/>

Universal Health Care 101: Lessons for the Eastern Caribbean and Beyond

IMF International Monetary Fund. Working Paper No. 09/61: March 2009

Tsounta, Evridiki

Available online as PDF [37p.] at: <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/wp/2009/wp0961.pdf>

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Martin Strandberg-Larsen, Allan Krasnik.

International Journal of Integrated Care, 4 February 2009 - ISSN 1568-4156

Available online at : <http://www.ijic.org/?000411>

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Robert W Platt, Jennifer Zeitlin

Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health 2009 - April 2009 (Volume 63, Number 4).

Website: <http://jech.bmj.com/cgi/content/full/63/4/267>

How political epidemiology research can address why the millennium development goals have not been achieved: developing a research agenda

D Gil-González, M T Ruiz-Cantero, C Álvarez-Dardet

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Abstract: <http://jech.bmj.com/cgi/content/full/63/4/278>

The Obama presidency: what may happen, what needs to happen in health policies in the USA

Barbara Starfield

Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health 2009;63:265-266; doi:10.1136/jech.2008.084822

April 2009 (Volume 63, Number 4).

Website: <http://jech.bmj.com/cgi/content/full/63/4/265>

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Jennifer Prah Ruger, Yale University - School of Medicine

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Available online PDF [201p.] at: http://www.hertie-school.org/binaries/addon/1056_publicspaces.pdf

Action on Health Disparities in the United States

Commission on Social Determinants of Health
Michael G. Marmot, FRCP; Ruth Bell, PhD
Journal of the American Medical Association JAMA.. Vol. 301 No. 11, March 18, 2009
Available online at: <http://jama.ama-assn.org/cgi/content/full/301/11/1169?etoc#REF-JCO90020-1>

Mental health aspects of women's reproductive health A global review of the literature

Key Centre for Women's Health in Society; WHO Collaborating Centre in Women's Health
School of Population Health, University of Melbourne, Australia; World Health Organization 2009
Available online as PDF file [181p.] at:
http://whqlibdoc.who.int/publications/2009/9789241563567_eng.pdf

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Edited by Richard Wootton.
Nivritti G. Patil, Richard E. Scott, Kendall Ho.
Royal Society of Medicine Press/IDRC 2009. ISBN 978-1-85315-784-4 - e-ISBN 978-1-55250-396-6
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From the Global AIDS Response towards Global Health?

High Level Taskforce on Innovative International Financing for Health Systems
A discussion paper For the Hélène de Beir foundation and the International Civil Society Support group
Written by Gorik Ooms - January 2009
Available online as PDF file [47p.] at:
[http://www.internationalhealthpartnership.net/pdf/IHP%20Update%2013/Taskforce/taskforce/090101_Ooms_Global_Health_Discussion_Paper%20\(2\).pdf](http://www.internationalhealthpartnership.net/pdf/IHP%20Update%2013/Taskforce/taskforce/090101_Ooms_Global_Health_Discussion_Paper%20(2).pdf)

Health Inequalities

Third Report of Session 2008-09 Volume 1
House of Commons Health Committee 15 March 2009
Available online PDF [143p.] at:
<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200809/cmselect/cmhealth/286/286.pdf>

Swimming Against the Tide: How Developing Countries are coping with the Global Crisis

Background Paper prepared by World Bank Staff for the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting, Horsham, United Kingdom on March 13-14, 2009
Available online PDF [21p.] at:
<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/NEWS/Resources/swimmingagainstthetide-march2009.pdf>

World Population Prospects: The 2008 Revision

UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs
Population Division, March 2009
The official United Nations estimations and projections of population for all countries of the world, covering the period 1950-2050.
Press release: <http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/wpp2008/pressrelease.pdf>
Data Online : <http://esa.un.org/unpp/index.asp>

Health and Development: Toward a Matrix Approach

Anna Gatti and Andrea Boggio (editors)
Websites: <http://www.palgrave.com/products/title.aspx?PID=270477>
<http://www.amazon.com/Health-Development-Role-International-Organizations/dp/1403947376>

The collapse of global trade, murky protectionism, and the crisis: Recommendations for the G20

Edited by Richard Baldwin and Simon Evenett

Available online as PDF file [115p.] at:

http://www.graduateinstitute.ch/webdav/site/iheid/shared/iheid/31/Murky_Protectionism.pdf

UK Institutional Strategy 2008–13

World Health Organization

HM Government, UK - February 2009

Available online at PDF [35p.] at:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_095296

Swiss Foreign Health Policy. Agreement on health foreign policy objectives

Federal Department of Home Affairs (FDHA) and Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)

Federal Office of Public Health FOPH Switzerland

PDF [20p.] available online at:

<http://www.bag.admin.ch/org/01044/index.html?lang=en&download=M3wBPgDB/8ull6Du36WenojQ1NTTjaXZnqWfVp3Uhmfnapmmc7Zi6rZnqCkkIZ2fHh/bKbXrZ6lhuDZz8mMps2gpKfo>

Website: <http://www.bag.admin.ch/org/01044/03338/index.html?lang=en>

Public health: ethical issues

Nuffield Council on Bioethics – London UK

Available online PDF [225p.] at:

http://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/fileLibrary/pdf/Public_health_-_ethical_issues.pdf

A holistic food labelling strategy for preventing obesity and dental caries.

Obes Rev. 2009 Jan 15 [Ahead of print].

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[Global Tuberculosis Control 2009](#)

This new report presents WHO's latest assessment of the epidemiological burden of TB (numbers of cases and deaths), as well as progress towards the 2015 targets for global TB control that have been established within the context of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

[Human Rights, Health and Poverty Reduction Strategies](#)

This guide is intended as a tool for health policymakers to design, implement and monitor a poverty reduction strategy through a human rights-based approach.

[The Third Ten Years of the World Health Organization: 1968-1977](#)

This volume offers insights into not only the Organization itself but also the political, social and economic background against which many far-reaching health decisions were made.

[Mental Health Aspects of Women's Reproductive Health](#)

This book has reviewed the research undertaken on a broad range of reproductive health issues and their mental health determinants/consequences over the last 15 years from both high- and low-income countries.

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The aim of this publication is not only to present cancer patterns in Europe but also to stimulate further studies on cancer epidemiology and generate hypotheses for analytical epidemiological studies.

[Home Care in Europe](#)

This book explains why health and social services should provide high-quality and targeted home care for disabled and older people.

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[Instauration d'un dialogue sur les risques dus aux champs électromagnétiques](#)

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