



EUPHA Newsletter 4, 2007

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1. EUPHA conference Helsinki: April update

The 2007 EUPHA conference is organised by the Society for Social Medicine in the Finlandia Hall, Helsinki, Finland. The main theme is "Future of Public Health in the Unified Europe". The dates are 11 to 13 October 2007. More information on the conference can be found on the regularly updated EUPHA website: www.eupha.org.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU ONLY HAVE 19 MORE DAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACTS!!!

2. Calls for interest

Call for information on European cardiovascular and diabetes data for the MEHO project

Dear colleagues

As partners in an EC-funded project on the health of minority populations in Europe, we are actively searching for information on ethnicity-coded cardiovascular and diabetes mortality and morbidity data from disease and death registers, hospital records, GP networks, and population surveys in different EU-countries and associated states. As a result, we would very much like to get in touch with anyone with special knowledge and/or access to ethnicity-coded cardiovascular and diabetes health data sets in the member countries. All those who contact us, and in addition have an active interest in research into ethnic differences in cardiovascular disease and diabetes in Europe, will subsequently be invited to join our newly-formed *Migrant and Ethnic Health Observatory's Cardiovascular and Diabetes subgroup (MEHO-CVD)*, the primary aim of which is to provide a venue for public health professionals and researchers to exchange and share information on European data related to ethnicity, cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

If you are able to help us with the above, please send an e-mail to: S.B.Rafnsson@ed.ac.uk or Raj.Bhopal@ed.ac.uk.

The Global Forum for Health Research and The Lancet are sponsoring their second joint essay competition on the occasion of Forum 11, the 2007 annual meeting of the Global Forum for Health Research in Beijing, People's Republic of China, 29 October to 2 November 2007.

Entries relating to some aspect of the overall theme of Forum 11: Equitable access, research challenges for health in developing countries are invited from young professionals working in or interested in the broad spectrum of health research for development.

Deadline for submissions: **20 APRIL 2007**

Rules, guidelines, principles, timeframe and prizes

- Essays should be no more than 1500 words long and should be written in English.
- Essays should be based on the author's own ideas and not be derived from another source.
- Essays should not have been previously published.
- They should include original, even provocative ideas and not be technical or academic texts: tables, charts, figures and references are probably not necessary.
- Authors are free to be idealistic, passionate, to take established practices to task, albeit in a constructive fashion.
- Entries are individual.
- Each author may submit one essay only.
- Authors should have been born on or after 1 January 1977.
- A shortlist will be announced by the end of June. Shortlisted authors will be asked to provide a high quality photograph and to confirm original authorship and date of birth.
- The winners will be notified by the beginning of August 2007. The judges' decision will be final.
- A selection of shortlisted essays will be published in an anthology.
- Winning essays will also be published on the Lancet website and their authors invited to take part in Forum 11 with all expenses paid.

Staff members of the Global Forum or of the Lancet or their immediate families are ineligible to enter the competition, as are authors of commended and winning entries from 2006.

For more information and online submission, see our website:

<http://www.globalforumhealth.org/ShLinks/Essay07.php>

3. Upcoming conferences and seminars

Title **A Call To Action: Ensuring Global Human Resources for Health**

Date March 22-23, 2007

Place Geneva, Switzerland

Organiser -

Deadline abstracts -

More information <http://www.hret.org/hret/publications/ihwm.html>

Title **Community-Campus Partnerships for Health's 10th anniversary conference: Mobilizing Partnerships for Social Change**

Date April 11-14 2007

Place Toronto, Canada

Organiser

Deadline abstracts

More information <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/conf-overview.html>

Title **Health in the Enlarged EU**

Date 16-17 April 2007,

Place Bratislava, Slovakia

Organiser European Public Health Alliance (EPHA),

Deadline abstracts -

More information <http://www.conference2007.epha.org>

Title 15th world Congress on disaster and emergency medicine 2007
Date 13-16 May 2007
Place Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Organiser World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine
Deadline abstracts -
More information www.wcdem2007.org

Title **The Seventh Annual International Campbell Collaboration Colloquium: Quality, Credibility, and Utility: the Relevance of Systematic Reviews**
Date 14-16 May 2007
Place London, UK
Organiser Campbell Collaboration
Deadline abstracts Has passed
More information www.campbellcolloquium.org

Title **Course on health care in violent, unstable environments**
Date 14-25 May 2007
Place Padova, Italy
Organiser Doctors with Africa Cuamm
Deadline abstracts -
More information www.doctorswithafrica.org

Title **International Conference on Healthy Air > -> Better Work 2007**
Date 29-31 May 2007
Place Helsinki, Finland
Organiser Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH) and the Finnish Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, in collaboration with the Finnish Society of Indoor Air Quality and Climate.
Deadline early registration 1 April 2007
More information <http://www.ttl.fi/workair2007>

Title **4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT Reducing environmental risks for our children**
Date 10th of June – 12th of June 2007
Place Vienna, Austria
Organiser INCHES
Deadline abstracts (posters) 1 April 2007
More information [c/o Julia Hellmann, INCHES@umit.at](mailto:c/o%20Julia%20Hellmann,%20INCHES@umit.at)

Title **The 19th IUHPE World Conference on Health Promotion and Health Education Health Promotion Comes of Age: Research, Policy & Practice for the 21st Century**
Date June 10th -15th, 2007
Place Vancouver, Canada
Organiser IUHPE
Deadline abstracts -
More information <http://www.iuhpeconference.org/>

Title **Improving Health in Europe: a short course on European Public Health**
Date 18-22 June 2007
Place Liverpool, UK
Organiser The University of Liverpool, Division of Public Health, School of Population, Community and Behavioural Sciences
Deadline application 30 April 2007
More information Ms Natalie Gotch, Division of Public Health, Whelan Building, The University of Liverpool, Liverpool, L69 3GB; her e-mail address is n.gotch@liv.ac.uk.
For detailed enquiries contact the Course Leader, Chris Birt, at christopher.birt@heartofmersey.org.uk (or by telephone: 07768-267863).

Title **Summer Programme on Global Health Diplomacy**
Date June 18 - 23, 2007
Place Geneva, Switzerland
Organiser Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva University
Deadline early registration -
More information <http://hei.unige.ch/summer/healthindex.html>

Title **A mighty creature is the germ....**
Date 26 June 2007
Place Glamorgan, Wales
Organiser Infection Control Nurses Association – Welsh Branch
Deadline abstracts Posters: 5 June 2007
More information glusardi@glam.ac.uk

Title **2007 EHMA Conference: Managing Values in Health Care**
Date 27-29 June 2007
Place Lyon, France
Organiser EHMA
Deadline early registration 4 May 2007
More information www.ehma.org

Title **Université d'été francophone en santé publique**
Date 1-6 July 2007
Place Besancon, France
Organiser Faculty of Medicine, University of Besancon
Remark Course is offered in French
More information <http://www.urcam.org/fileadmin/FRANCHE-COMTE/univete/docs/uniete07progcomplet.pdf>

Title **Equity, Ethics and Right to Health - Challenges in a Globalized World: 4th Brazilian Congress on Human and Social Science - 10th Latin-American Congress on Social Medicine - 14th International Congress on Health Policy**
Date 13-18 July 2007
Place Salvador Bahia, Brazil
Organiser ABRASCO
Deadline abstracts -

More information www.congressosalvador2007.com.br/ingles/apresentacao/index.php

Title **Health ClusterNET: an innovative approach to a healthy Lisbon Agenda**
Date 22 November 2007
Place Brussels, Belgium
Organiser Health ClusterNET
Deadline abstracts -
More information www.healthclusternet.org

Title **Décision en santé publique : obligation, négociation, participation?**
Date 22-24 November 2007
Place Montpellier, France
Organiser French Society of Public Health
Deadline abstracts 18 May 2007
More information Conference is in French. More information on <http://www.sfsp.info/manifestations/congres2007>

Title **8th European Conference on Health Promotion & Health Education**
Date 10-13 September 2008
Place Turin, Italy
Organiser IUHPE
Deadline abstracts -
More information www.iuhpe.org

4. Interesting publications

Gaceta Sanitaria

The journal Gaceta Sanitaria is the official journal of the Spanish Society of Public Health and Health Administration. It has recently been accepted for inclusion by Thomson Scientific. This means Gaceta Sanitaria will get its first impact factor in the 2009 Journal Citation Report. The Gaceta Sanitaria is available on the Internet (www.doyma.es/ga and www.sespa.es/ga). Selected papers are freely available from their date of publication, and all the contents become open 6 months after publication.

WHAT IS A NATIONAL HEALTH POLICY?

Vicente Navarro, Department of Health Policy and Management, Johns Hopkins University
International Journal of Health Services - Volume 37, Number 1 / 2007

Full text PDF [14p.] available online at:

<http://baywood.metapress.com/media/3lpmnmmylnfm61nvtw3p/contributions/h/4/5/4/h454732660341t25.pdf>

Report Card 7: Child Poverty in Perspective: An Overview of Child Well-Being in Rich Countries

UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre, 2007

Available online PDF [52p.] at: http://www.unicef-icdc.org/publications/pdf/rc7_eng.pdf

AIDS and Social Policy in China

Edited by Joan Kaufman, Arthur Kleinman, and Tony Saich

Published by the Harvard University Asia Center

Cambridge, Massachusetts, 2006

Available online as PDF file [292p.] at:

<http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~asiactr/publications/pdfs/AIDS%20Volume%20complete.pdf>

Health Financing in Argentina: An Empirical Study of Health Care Expenditure and Utilization

Eleonora Cavagnero, Guy Carrin, Ke Xu, Ana Mylena Aguilar-Rivera
Working Paper Series: INNOVATIONS IN HEALTH FINANCING No.8 - 2006
Editors: Felicia Marie Knaul - Stefano M. Bertozzi - Héctor Arreola-Ornelas
Available online as PDF file [32p.] at:
http://www.who.int/health_financing/countries/argentina_cavagnero.pdf

World Report on Violence against Children

United Nations Secretary-General's Study on Violence against Children
New York, October 2006
Website: <http://www.unviolencestudy.org/>

Towards good practice for health statistics: lessons from the Millennium Development Goal health indicators

Prof. Christopher JL Murray, Harvard University, School of Public Health and Initiative for Global Health, Cambridge, MA, USA
The Lancet, Volume 369, Number 9564, 10 March 2007
Abstract: <http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673607604152/abstract>
Subscription required

How good a map ? Putting small area estimation to the test

Gabriel Demombynes, Chris Elbers, Jean O. Lanjouw, and Peter Lanjouw
World Bank, Free University of Amsterdam, UC Berkeley and World Bank.
World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 4155, March 2007
Available online as PDF file 41p.] at:
http://www-wds.worldbank.org/external/default/WDSContentServer/IW3P/IB/2007/02/28/000016406_20070228150405/Rendered/PDF/wps4155.pdf

Child mortality, income and adult height

Carlos Bozzoli, Angus Deaton, Climent Quintana-Domeque
Princeton University, March 2007
Available online as PDF file [42p.] at:
http://www.princeton.edu/~rjds/downloads/deaton_bozzoli_child_mortality_income_height_march_07_complete_with_abstract.pdf

The Working Conditions of Nurses: Confronting the Challenges

Health Policy Research Bulletin, Health Canada, 2007 - ISSN 1496-466 X
Available online as PDF file:
http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/sr-sr/alt_formats/hpb-dgps/pdf/pubs/hpr-rps/bull/2007-nurses-infirmieres/2007-nurses-infirmieres_e.pdf

How Physicians Can Change the Future of Health Care

Michael E. Porter, Elizabeth Olmsted Teisberg
Journal of American Medical Association, Vol. 297 No. 10, March 14, 2007 - JAMA
Website: <http://jama.ama-assn.org/cgi/content/full/297/10/1103>

Central issues in the decentralization debate

Vaida Bankauskaite and Richard B. Saltman
European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, 2006
Chapter 1- available online as PDF file [13p.] at: http://www.euro.who.int/Document/E89891_Ch1.pdf

Comparing Child Well-Being in OECD Countries: Concepts and Methods

Jonathan Bradshaw, Professor of Social Policy at the University of York, England
Petra Hoelscher, Research Fellow, University of Stirling, Scotland
Dominic Richardson, Research Fellow, Social Policy Research Unit, University of York, England

Working Papers -United Nations Children's Fund

The UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre in Florence, Italy, December 2006

Available online as PDF file [117p.] at: http://www.unicef-icdc.org/publications/pdf/iwp2006_03_eng.pdf

World Population Prospects: The 2006 Revision

NEW YORK, 13 March 2007, United Nations Population Division

Website: <http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/wpp2006/wpp2006.htm>

Health Systems in Transition: Template for analysis

Edited by Elias Mossialos, Sara Allin, Josep Figueras

World Health Organization 2007, on behalf of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies

Available online as PDF file [145p.] at: <http://www.euro.who.int/Document/E88699.pdf>

An idea whose time has come: New opportunities for Health Impact Assessment in New Zealand public policy and planning

The Public Health Advisory Committee (PHAC) is a sub-committee of the National on Health and Disability - National Health Committee, NHC

February 2007

Available online at: <http://www.nhc.govt.nz/phac/publications/an-idea-whose-time-has-come.pdf>

Matching Methods with Policy Purpose: Two Case Examples of Public Engagement

Mary Pat MacKinnon, Sonia Pitre and Judy Watling

Canadian Policy Research Networks Inc., CPRN - March 2007

Available online [60p] at: <http://www.cprn.org/en/doc.cfm?doc=1631>

Human Capital -How what you know shapes your life

Brian Keeley, OECD Insights OECD, 20 February 2007

ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Website:

http://www.oecd.org/document/11/0,2340,en_21571361_37705603_37714763_1_1_1_1,00.html

Extending health insurance to the rural population: an impact evaluation of China's new cooperative medical scheme

Wagstaff Adam; Development Research Group, The World Bank, Washington DC, USA

Lindelow Magnus; East Asia Human Development, The World Bank, Washington DC, USA

Gao Jun; Xu Ling; Qian Juncheng; Center for Health Statistics and Information, Ministry of Health, Beijing, China

The World Bank, Impact evaluation series No.12, Policy Research Working Paper - WPS 4150 - March 2007

Available online as PDF file [40p.] at:

<http://www->

[wds.worldbank.org/external/default/WDSContentServer/IW3P/IB/2007/02/22/000016406_20070222160135/Rendered/PDF/wps4150.pdf](http://www-wds.worldbank.org/external/default/WDSContentServer/IW3P/IB/2007/02/22/000016406_20070222160135/Rendered/PDF/wps4150.pdf)

TEXT file at: <http://www->

[wds.worldbank.org/external/default/WDSContentServer/IW3P/IB/2007/02/22/000016406_20070222160135/Rendered/INDEX/wps4150.txt](http://www-wds.worldbank.org/external/default/WDSContentServer/IW3P/IB/2007/02/22/000016406_20070222160135/Rendered/INDEX/wps4150.txt)

Communities for Health: Learning from the Pilots

UK Department of Health, Health Inequalities Unit - February 2007

Available online as PDF file [92p.] at: <http://www.dh.gov.uk/assetRoot/04/14/32/25/04143225.pdf>

What Works in Fighting Diarrheal Diseases in Developing Countries? A Critical Review

Alix Peterson Zwane and Michael Kremer

CID Working Paper No. 140, March 2007

Center for International Development at Harvard University (CID)

Available online as PDF file [48p.] at: <http://www.cid.harvard.edu/cidwp/pdf/140.pdf>

Health, Health Care, and Incompletely Theorized Agreements: A Normative Theory of Health Policy Decision Making

Jennifer Prah Ruger

Yale University - School of Medicine
Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law, Vol. 32, No. 1, February 2007
Available online PDF [38p.] at: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=964683

The Provision of Out-of-Hours Care in England

Published on 14 March 2007 by authority of the House of Commons
London: The Stationery Office Limited
Available online PDF [48p.] at:
<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200607/cmselect/cmpublic/360/360.pdf>

Equity in health services use and intensity of use in Canada

Yukiko Asada and George Kephart
Department of Community Health and Epidemiology, Dalhousie University, Centre for Clinical Research, Canada
BMC Health Services Research - March 2007, 7:41 doi:10.1186/1472-6963-7-41
Available online PDF [12p.] at: <http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1472-6963-7-41.pdf>

Reducing Infant Mortality In Chile: Success In Two Phases

Jorge Jiménez and María Inés Romero professors of public health in the Department of Public Health, School of Medicine, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, in Santiago
Health Affairs, 26, no. 2 (2007): 458-465 - March/April 2007
Abstract:
<http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/abstract/26/2/458?ikey=74/Pm5UVwg00Q&keytype=ref&siteid=healthaff>

Health Reforms and Interest Groups in Latin America

Daniel Maceira
Nota Técnica de Saúde No. 1/2007, Marzo de 2007
Inter American Development Bank / Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo
Departamento de Desarrollo Sostenible, División de Programas de Desarrollo Social
In Spanish PDF file [64p.] at: <http://www.iadb.org/sds/doc/MaceiraActoresReformas-FINAL.pdf>

Reductions in child mortality levels and inequalities in Thailand: analysis of two censuses

Patama Vapattanawong, Margaret C Hogan, Piya Hanvoravongchai, Emmanuela Gakidou, Theo Vos, Prof Alan D Lopez and Stephen S Lim
The Lancet, Volume 369, Number 9564, 10 March 2007
Available online, with full access for free:
<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673607604139/abstract>
Or: <http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673607604139/fulltext>

The top twenty papers on tuberculosis

Which papers have provided the most interesting recent advances in tuberculosis research? Which new discoveries in pathogenesis, epidemiology, drug discovery or vaccine development have been the most important or are likely to have the highest impact to the field?
Nature Medicine - 13, 276 - 277 - March 2007, Volume 13 No 3
doi:10.1038/nm0307-276
<http://www.nature.com/nm/journal/v13/n3/full/nm0307-276.html>

Development of a rational scale to assess the harm of drugs of potential misuse

Prof David Nutt, Leslie A King, William Saulsbury and Prof Colin Blakemore
The Lancet, Volume 369, Number 9566, 24 March 2007
Free Subscription Required
Website: <http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673607604644/fulltext>

Online Atlas of Millennium Development Goals

The new World Bank [Online Atlas of the MDGs](http://devdata.worldbank.org/atlas-mdg/) is a visualization of the Millennium Development Goals:
Available in French and Spanish
Website: <http://devdata.worldbank.org/atlas-mdg/> and <http://ddp-ext.worldbank.org/ext/GMIS/home.do?siteId=2>

Global tuberculosis control - surveillance, planning, financing

WHO Report 2007 - WHO/HTM/TB/2007.376, March 2007

Website: http://www.who.int/tb/publications/global_report/2007/en/index.html

Globalization of Behavioral Risks Needs Faster Diffusion of Interventions

Shahul Ebrahim, Joxel Garcia, Achmed Sujudi, Hani Atrash

Journal of Preventing Chronic Disease (PCD) - Volume 4: No. 2, April 2007

Available online at: http://www.cdc.gov/pcd/issues/2007/apr/06_0099.htm

Inequality Matters: *Why globalization doesn't lift all boats*

Nancy Birdsall - March/April 2007 issue of Boston Review

Available online at: <http://bostonreview.net/BR32.2/birdsall.html>

THE ROLE OF HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Kelley Lee, *Centre on Global Change and Health- London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine*

Karen Lock, *ECOHST, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine*

Alan Ingram, *Department of Geography, University College London*

The Nuffield Health and Social Services Fund - The Nuffield Trust, 2006

UK Global Health Programme

Available online as PDF file [96p.] at: <http://www.nuffieldtrust.org.uk/ecomm/files/HIAfinalword.pdf>

Issues paper: Invest in health, build a safer future

The theme of World Health Day and of the World Health Report 2007 is "international health security"

Issues Papers - World Health Organization 2007

Available online as PDF [28p.] at: http://www.who.int/world-health-day/files/2007/issuespaper_final_lowres_en.pdf

Health inequalities: Political problematizations in Denmark and Sweden

Signild Vallgarda, Institute of Public Health, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

DOI: 10.1080/09581590601071705

Critical Public Health, Volume 17, Issue 1 March 2007, pages 45 - 56

The editors give this link to have free access to the article and it is open until the end of April

The Healthy Development Measurement Tool

Website: www.TheHDMT.org

Euro Observer. The Health policy bulletin of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies. Winter 2006, volume 8, number 4.

Contains articles on:

- ART in the European Union
- IVF and reproductive tourism
- IVF/ART funding and reimbursement

For more information: www.observatory.dk

Työterveiset. Newsletter of the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health. Issue 2, 2006.

Special issue with articles related to the theme of 'A longer and healthier work life'.

For more information: www.ttl.fi/internet/english/

5. European Commission: update



- **Health information: funded projects 2004**
EUPRIS - Treatment of mentally ill or disordered persons in European prison systems - Needs, programmes and outcomes Interim report and annexes
- **Health information: funded projects 2004**
PIA PHR - Policy Impact Assessment of Public Health Reporting Interim report
- **Health information**
Causes of death information What's new section updated
- **Threats to health**
Health security and preparedness Page updated
- **Threats to health: Health security and preparedness**
The 8 pillars of generic preparedness planning
- **Threats to health: Health security and preparedness**
Flu pandemic preparedness - Factsheet Available in en, de, fr
- **Health Information: funded projects 2005**
EAIS - European Autism Information System Interim report
- **Influenza: Influenza fact sheet**
Confirmed human cases of avian influenza since 1997 sorted by subtypes data as of 08 March 2007 (flash map)
- **Influenza: Influenza fact sheet**
Confirmed human cases of avian influenza A/(H5N1) since 2003 data as of 08 March 2007
- **Influenza: Influenza fact sheet**
Confirmed human cases of avian influenza A/(H5N1) by date of onset and country from January 2006 up to date data as of 08 March 2007
- **Influenza: Influenza fact sheet**
Confirmed human cases of avian influenza since 1997 sorted by subtypes data as of 08 March 2007
- **Influenza: Influenza fact sheet**
Distribution H5N1 cases by age group up to date data as of 08 March 2007
- **Health determinants: Tobacco**
HELP News - Newsletter of the HELP - For a life without tobacco campaign Edition: March 2007
- **Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Consumer Products**
Declarations of interests updated
- **Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Health and Environmental Risks**
Declarations of interests updated
- **Overview of health strategy: Pharmaceutical Forum**
Public consultation on Health-related information to patients
- **Health determinants: Alcohol**
Eurobarometer report: Attitudes towards alcohol
- **Health determinants: Alcohol**
Europeans support alcohol health warnings to protect vulnerable, Eurobarometer reveals
Press release available in en, fr, de, el
- **Health information: funded projects 2003**
EUPHIX - European Public Health Information, Knowledge and Data Management System
Second interim report
- **Health determinants: Tobacco**
Accredited tobacco testing laboratories in European Union member states Updated

- **Health information: Health system information sheets**
Coordination of social security schemes ? Costs of health care abroad Available in en, de, es, fr
- **Health information: The Healthy Life Years indicator**
Awareness of and uptake of the Healthy Life Years indicator at European and Member State level Available in en, de, es, fr
- **Evaluation of Health-EU - The Public Health Portal of the European Union**
The European Commission is carrying out a review of The Public Health Portal of the EU and invites you to have your say. To participate, please complete the online survey in the language of your choice
- **Rare diseases: Newsletter**
OrphaNews Newsletter of the Rare diseases Task Force Edition: March 2007
- **Threats to health: Communicable diseases**
Projects Page updated
- **Health Determinants: Nutrition**
Physical Activity and Health - EU Platform for Action New documents issued (Annual report, monitoring progress report, commitments and national contact points)
- **Nutrition: Physical Activity and Health - EU Platform for Action**
Interview with Robert Madelin on Obesity Platform ? download the podcast now!
- **Tissues and cells: Key document**
Summary Table of Responses from Competent Authorities: Questionnaire on the transposition and implementation of the European Tissues and Cells regulatory framework updated
- **Health Services**
Results of the consultation regarding community action on health services updated
- **Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks**
Draft agenda for the 17th plenary meeting of the Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks (SCENIHR), Brussels, 29th March 2007
- **Health information: funded projects 2005**
EuroCoDe - European Collaboration on Dementia Interim report
- **Rare diseases: Event**
Building a Network for Haemophilia Care, Parma, 18-20 May 2007
- **Blood, tissues, organs: Call for tender**
B-Brussels: General invitation to tender N° SANCO/2007/C6/005 concerning a quality system guide for establishments in the field of substances of human origin
- **Health information: Extreme weather conditions**
Cold can kill ? excess winter deaths Now available in en, de, es, fr
- **Health information: Working Party on Health Systems**
Meeting of the Working Party on Health Systems, Luxembourg, 5 December 2006 Minutes available in en, de, es, fr
- **Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Consumer Products**
Commission to extend hair dye assessment in view of new data on sensitisation
- **Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Consumer Products**
Questions and answers on the Memorandum on Hair Dye Sensitisation of the Scientific Committee on Consumer Products (SCCP) MEMO
- **Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Consumer Products**
Memorandum on hair dye substances and their skin sensitising properties Adopted by the SCCP during the 10th plenary of 19 December 2006
- **Evaluation of Health-EU - The Public Health Portal of the European Union**
The European Commission is carrying out a review of The Public Health Portal of the EU and invites you to have your say. To participate, please complete the online survey in the language of your choice Reminder
- **International cooperation: Press release**
Commission grants ?2.5 million to WHO for seven projects under Public Health Programme Midday express
- **Health information: funded projects 2005**
European Myasthenia Gravis Network Interim report

- **Socio-economic determinants of health - health inequalities: Speech**
Remarks by Robert Madelin Director General for Health and Consumer Protection - European Commission: Health Stepping Forward: New EU health initiatives in 2007
 European Voice Conference 2007 Healthcare 2007 ? Diagnosing our Future, Brussels, 19 March 2007

6. European Centre for Diseases Control: Eurosurveillance

EUROSURVEILLANCE WEEKLY: European Centre for Diseases Control

Eurosurveillance weekly release has just been updated. This week's contents:

- Outbreak of severe gastroenteritis with multiple aetiologies caused by contaminated drinking water in Denmark, January 2007
- Tularaemia outbreak in northern Norway
- Laboratory-confirmed case of toxigenic *Corynebacterium ulcerans* in the United Kingdom
- Local mumps outbreak in Hungary, 2007

Read these reports at :

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ew/2007/070329.asp>

Eurosurveillance weekly release has just been updated. This week's contents:

- An outbreak of measles in Apulia, Italy, November 2006 – January 2007
- Universal immunisation with human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine among females aged 12-17 recommended in Germany
- HIV/AIDS in the Czech Republic, 2006
- New WHO influenza vaccine recommendations for 2007-2008 season, northern hemisphere

Read these reports at :

<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ew/2007/070405.asp>

Eurosurveillance monthly release has just been updated.

- Successful transfer of Eurosurveillance to ECDC
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/em/v12n03/1203-221.asp>
- A hotel-based outbreak of *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *Enterica* serovar *Enteritidis* (*Salmonella* *Enteritidis*) in the United Kingdom, 2006
<http://www.eurosurveillance.org/em/v12n03/1203-222.asp>
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