



EUPHA Newsletter 6, 2007

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NEWS FLASH

For the European Union, the Portuguese presidency has just started 1 July.

<<http://www.eu2007.pt/UE/aEN/>> Their priorities in the field of public health are:

- the EU Health Strategy
- drugs
- migration
- HIV/AIDS
- Health Systems Impact Assessments and
- Pharmaceutical innovation.

1. EUPHA Conference Helsinki: June update

Please find below an overview of the abstract submission and selection process.

Information on abstracts/workshops submitted

	2007
Total number of abstracts	675
Single presentations	618
- research abstracts	537
- policy abstracts	81
- oral presentation preferred	464
- specific poster presentation	154
Workshops	57
Number of countries submitting	52

The International Scientific Committee of the EUPHA annual conference in October 2007 in Helsinki, Finland has 37 members from 31 European countries. 20 members of the scientific committee have judged the abstracts. The members of the scientific committee have used a rating scale ranging from 1 to 5 for the final judgement.

The overall average of all judges and all (single) abstracts was: 3.31

The average judgement per abstract varied from 5.00 (highest score) to 1.00 (lowest score).

The overall average of all judges for the workshops was:3.32.

The average judgement per workshop varied from 4.67 (highest score) to 1.00 (lowest score).

The International Scientific Committee, together with the EUPHA Executive Council and the Local organising Committee 2007 made the following decisions.

Workshops 2007: Break-off point for workshops: score <3.667. This means that 36 workshops are included in the programme.

Oral presentations 2007: 31 slots are filled with single presentations = 186 abstracts. Break-off point for oral presentations is 3.410.

Poster presentations 2007: We have room for around 300 posters, we accept posters until the mean score of 3.010.

2. Upcoming conferences/seminars

Title ***Vacunar contra el virus del papiloma humano: implicaciones de una decisión,***

Date 29-31 August 2007

Place Madrid, Spain

Organiser Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo

Deadline abstracts -

More information www.uimp.es

Title **3rd World Ageing & Generations Congress**

Date 6-8 September 2007

Place St Gallen, Switzerland

Organiser -

Deadline abstracts -

More information http://www.wdassociation.org/dcPage.aspx?pageid=cms_frontend_article&pagetype=file&hrub=hrub_8&rub=46&key=245&mstrub=frontend_hrubs_e&toolbar=e&ritem=46&hrltem=48

Title **European Public Health Policy: Graz Public Health Summer school 2007**

Date 7-14 September 2007

Place Graz, Austria

Organiser Medical University of Graz

Deadline abstracts -

More information Dorothea.kahrgottlieb@meduni-graz.at

Title **International Health Conference: Recent Advances in Clinical Medicine, Public Health and Health Policy**

Date 20-22 September 2007

Place Athens, Greece

Organiser Royal College of Physicians and the London School of Economics

Deadline abstracts -

More information www.internationalhealth2007.com

Title **Patient Safety Research – shaping the European agenda**

Date 24-26 September 2007

Place Porto, Portugal

Organiser -

Deadline abstracts -

More information www.patientsafetyresearch.org

Title **The 10th European Health Forum: Shaping the future of health**

Date 3 - 6 October 2007

Place Bad Hofgastein, Austria

Organiser -

Deadline abstracts -

More information <http://www.ehfg.org/typo3/index.php?id=69&L=2>

Title **Strengthening Public Health in Europe, Public Health Functions**

and Educational Needs
Date 26-28 October 2007
Place Valencia, Spain
Organiser ASPHER
Deadline abstracts Has passed
More information www.aspher2007valencia.org

Title PATIENT CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL - 23rd PCSI INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE
Date 7-10 November 2007
Place Venice, Italy
Organiser
Deadline abstracts Has passed
More information http://www.pcsi2007.org/index_en.htm

Title International courses in modern methods in epidemiology and biostatistics
Date Several courses in November and December 2007
Place Rome, Italy
Organiser Catholic University of the Sacred Heart
Deadline registration 14 September 2007
More information sboccia@rm.unicatt.it or Giuseppe.latorre@rm.unicatt.it

Title *Décision en santé publique : obligation, négociation, participation ?*
Date 22-24 November 2007
Place
Organiser La Société française de santé publique
Deadline abstracts Has passed
More information <http://www.sfsp.info/manifestations/congres2007>

Title The 2008 Global Ministerial Forum on Research for Health
Date 17-20 November 2008
Place Bamako, Mali
Organiser -
Deadline abstracts -
More information <http://www.bamako2008.org/>

3. Interesting publications

Accessing information about health and social care services

Picker Institute for the UK Department of Health, April 2007

Available online at: PDF file [108p.] at:

http://www.pickereurope.org/Filestore/Publications/Information_access_final_web.pdf

Absolute poverty measures for the developing world, 1981-2004

Shaohua Chen and Martin Ravallion

Development Research Group,

World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 4211, April 2007

Available online as PDF file [24p.] at: <http://d.repec.org/n?u=RePEc:wbk:wbrwps:4211&r=ltv>

Future Trends and Challenges for Cancer Services in England

A REVIEW OF LITERATURE AND POLICY

Rebecca Rosen, Alex Smith, Anthony Harrison

ISBN 978 1 85717 549 3 | 68 pages King's Fund

Available online at: http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/resources/publications/future_trends.html

Youth-friendly primary-care services: how are we doing and what more needs to be done?

Prof Andre Tylee, Dagmar M Haller, Tanya Graham, Rachel Churchill and Lena A Sancí
The Lancet, Volume 369, Number 9572, 05 May 2007
Full text: <http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673607603717/fulltext>

Commentary: improving the health of neglected populations in Latin America

Carlos Franco-Paredes, Danielle Jones, Alfonso J Rodríguez-Morales and José Ignacio Santos-Preciado

BMC Public Health 2007, 7:11 doi:10.1186/1471-2458-7-11

Available online at: <http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1471-2458-7-11.pdf>

Crime, Violence and Development: trends, Costs and policy options in the Caribbean

A Joint Report by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the Latin America and the Caribbean Region of the World Bank – 2007

Available online as PDF file [223p.] at:

<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTHAITI/Resources/Crimeandviolenceinthecaribbeanfullreport.pdf>

Health Aid and Infant Mortality

Mishra, Prachi; Newhouse, David Locke

International Monetary Fund - Working Paper WP/07/100 - April, 2007

Available online as PDF file [42p.] at: <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/wp/2007/wp07100.pdf>

**Tuberculosis control; Promising new tools for prevention, detection and cure;
How reliable are the data?**

Bulletin of the World Health Organization (BLT) - Volume 85, Number 5, May 2007, 325-420

URL: <http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/85/5/en/index.html>

Social Inequalities in Perinatal Mortality in Belo Horizonte, Brazil: The Role of Hospital Care

Sônia Lansky, Elisabeth França and Ichiro Kawachi

May 2007, Vol 97, No. 5 | American Journal of Public Health 867-873

Abstract: <http://www.ajph.org/cgi/content/abstract/97/5/867>

Prevention, control, and elimination of neglected diseases in the Americas:

Pathways to integrated, inter-programmatic, inter-sectoral action for health and development

John C Holveck, John P Ehrenberg, Steven K Ault, Rocio Rojas, Javier Vasquez, Maria Teresa Cerqueira, Josefa Ippolito-Shepherd, Miguel A Genovese and Mirta Roses Periago

Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO)

BMC Public Health 2007, 7:6 doi:10.1186/1471-2458-7-6

Website: <http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/7/6>

Available online as PDF file [21p.] at: <http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1471-2458-7-6.pdf>

FUNDING HEALTH CARE: 2008 AND BEYOND

Report from the Leeds Castle summit - John Appleby (editor)

King's Fund [PDF 85p.] 2007

Available online at: http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/resources/publications/funding_health.html

The Future of Disability in America

Committee on Disability in America, Marilyn J. Field and Alan Jette, *editors*

Board on Health Sciences Policy

Institute of Medicine of the National Academies, 2007

Available online at: http://books.nap.edu/catalog.php?record_id=11898

Child poverty in perspective: An overview of child well-being in rich countries

A comprehensive assessment of the lives and well-being of children and adolescents in the economically advanced nations

UNICEF - Innocenti Research Centre, Florence

Report Card 7 - The United Nations Children's Fund, 2007

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

The moral foundations of health insurance

Jennifer Prah Ruger

Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, USA
Quarterly Journal of Medicine, Vol. 100, No. 1, pp. 53-57, January 2007

Available online PDF [5p.] at: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=957971

Adolescents with a chronic condition: challenges living, challenges treating

Prof Susan M Sawyer, Sarah Drew, Michele S Yeo and Maria T Britto

The Lancet, Volume 369, Number 9571, 28 April 2007

Full text: <http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673607603705/fulltext>

The National public health strategy for Sweden in brief

Swedish National Institute of Public Health, 2007

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[http://www.fhi.se/shop/material_pdf/public%20health%20strat\(1\).pdf](http://www.fhi.se/shop/material_pdf/public%20health%20strat(1).pdf)

Healthy Ageing

A CHALLENGE FOR EUROPE

The Swedish National Institute of Public Health, 2007

Available online as PDF file [228p] at: http://www.fhi.se/shop/material_pdf/Healthy_ageing.pdf

A Learning and Development Toolkit for the whole of the mental health workforce across both health and social care

National Institute for Mental Health in England (NIMHE)

National Workforce Programme – April 2007

Website:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_073682

Comparative Analysis of Alcohol Control Policies in 30 Countries

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PLoS Medicine Vol. 4, No. 4, e151 doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.0040151 - April 24, 2007

Available online at: <http://medicine.plosjournals.org/perlserv/?request=get-document&doi=10.1371/journal.pmed.0040151>

Assessing the costs of organised health programs: the case of the National Cervical Screening Program

Marion Haas, Marian Shanahan, Rob Anderson

CHERE WORKING PAPER 2007/2

The Centre for Health Economics Research and Evaluation (CHERE)

University of Technology, Sydney Australia 2007

Available online as PDF file [18p.] at: http://www.chere.uts.edu.au/pdf/wp2007_2.pdf

Integrating Public Health Policy, Practice, Evaluation, Surveillance, and Research: The School Health Action Planning and Evaluation System

Roy Cameron, Stephen Manske, and Chris Lovato are with the Centre for Behavioral Research and

Program Evaluation, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario. Chris Lovato is also with the

Department of Health Care and Epidemiology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver. K. Stephen

Brown is with the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science and the Population Health Research

Group, University of Waterloo, Waterloo. Mari Alice Jolin is with the Population Health Research

Group, University of Waterloo, Waterloo. Donna Murnaghan is with the Prince Edward Island Health

Research Institute and the Faculty of Nursing, University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown.

April 2007, Vol 97, No. 4 - American Journal of Public Health 648-654

Website: <http://www.ajph.org/cgi/content/abstract/97/4/648>

Primary Health Care Strategy: Key Directions for the Information Environment

Policy Consultation Document, 18 April 2007

Ministry of Health, Wellington, New Zealand

The consultation document is available in Word and PDF format web link below:

[Primary Health Care Strategy: Key Directions for the Information Environment - Policy Consultation Document \(Word, 962 KB\)](#)

[Primary Health Care Strategy: Key Directions for the Information Environment - Policy Consultation Document \(PDF, 631 KB\)](#)

Dementia UK

A report into the prevalence and cost of dementia prepared by the Personal Social Services Research Unit (PSSRU) at the London School of Economics and the Institute of Psychiatry at King's College London, for the Alzheimer's Society

Project directors: Professor Martin Knapp and Professor Martin Prince Research team: Dr Emiliano Albanese, Professor Sube Banerjee, Sujith Dhanasiri, Dr Jose-Luis Fernandez, Dr Cleusa Ferri, Professor Martin Knapp, Dr Paul McCrone, Professor Martin Prince, Tom Snell, Dr Robert Stewart Alzheimer's Society 2007

Available online as PDF file [103p.] at:

http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/News_and_Campaigns/Campaigning/PDF/Dementia_UK_Full_Report.pdf

A rational way forward for the NHS in England

A discussion paper outlining an alternative approach to health reform - May 2007

British Medical Association, BMA, London, www.bma.org.uk

Web: <http://www.bma.org.uk/ap.nsf/Content/rationalwayforward>

PDF file [82p] at:

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Nutrition Standards for Foods in Schools: Leading the Way Toward Healthier Youth

Committee on Nutrition Standards for Foods in Schools, Virginia A. Stallings and Ann L. Yaktine, editors

US Institute of Medicine, 2007

Available online at: http://books.nap.edu/catalog.php?record_id=11899

The Canadian Health Services Research Foundation

March 29, 2007

A new weekly digest: Insight & Action:

A digest linking those who practice knowledge transfer and exchange with relevant evidence-informed resources.

Website: http://www.chsrf.ca/other_documents/insight_action/index_e.php

Drug Expenditure in Canada, 1985 to 2006

Prescribed drug spending expected to surpass \$21 billion in 2006

Drug expenditure growing faster than total health spending but rate of growth slowest in a decade

Full report available PDF [153p.] at:

http://secure.cihi.ca/cihiweb/dispPage.jsp?cw_page=AR_80_E&cw_topic=80

From Policy To Patients And Back:

Surgical Treatment Decision Making For Patients With Breast Cancer

Steven Katz, professor in the Departments of Medicine and Health, University of Michigan (UM) Health System, in Ann Arbor.

Sarah Hawley, research assistant professor in the UM Division of General Medicine.

Health Affairs, May/June 2007 - Volume 26, Number 3 - 2007: 761-769

Available online at: <http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/full/26/3/761>

Assessing the impact of prescribed medicines on health outcomes

Wayne D Hall, School of Population Health, University of Queensland, Australia and Population Health and Uses of Medicines Unit, University of New South Wales, Australia
Jayne Lucke, School of Population Health, University of Queensland, Australia
Australia and New Zealand Health Policy 2007, 4:1 doi:10.1186/1743-8462-4-1
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Professor Margaret Whitehead, Division of Public Health, University of Liverpool
J. Epidemiol. Community Health – June 2007; Volume 61, Number 6;473-478
Website: <http://jech.bmj.com/cgi/content/extract/61/6/473?etoc>

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American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2007
Website: http://www.amacad.org/publications/ubase_EducatingAllChildren.aspx
Preface PDF file [16p.] at: http://www.amacad.org/publications/cohen_preface.pdf

Analyzing Changes in Health Financing Arrangements in High-Income Countries A Comprehensive Framework Approach

Reinhard Busse, Jonas Schreyögg, and Christian Gericke
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<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/HEALTHNUTRITIONANDPOPULATION/Resources/281627-1095698140167/BusseAnalyzingChangesinHealthFinancingFinal.pdf>

Taking Action on Health Equity

Final report of the Closing the Gap; Strategies for Action to Tackle Health Inequalities in the EU initiative – May 2007
Available online as a PDF file: [39p.] at: <http://www.health-inequalities.eu/pdf.php?id=419761e2010b7de806b4477c8dc3d8f4>

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D. McCarthy and D. Blumenthal
The Commonwealth Fund, April 2006
Available online PDF file [98P.]
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Primer to Action: Social Determinants of Health

Ontario Prevention Clearinghouse, Ontario Chronic Disease Prevention Alliance and the Canadian Cancer Society – Ontario Division, Canada 2007
Available online as PDF file [36p.] at:
<http://www.ocdpa.on.ca/docs/Primer%20to%20Action%20SDOH%20Final.pdf>

Review: What's Wrong with Doctors

By Richard Horton
How Doctors Think
by Jerome Groopman, Houghton Mifflin, Publisher
The New York Review of Books, Volume 54, Number 9 · May 31, 2007

Available online at: <http://www.nybooks.com/articles/20214>

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Christine Skinner, Jonathan Bradshaw and Jacqueline Davidson
A report of research carried out by the Social Policy Research Unit, Research Report No 405 - 2007
University of York on behalf of the Department for Work and Pensions
Available online as PDF file [224p.] at: <http://www.york.ac.uk/inst/spru/pubs/pdf/rrep405.pdf>

Assessing the Potential of National Strategies for Electronic Health Records for Population Health Monitoring and Research

Friedman DJ.

Data Evaluation and Methods Research
National Center for Health Statistics. Vital Health Stat 2(143). 2006
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention National Center for Health Statistics
Available online as PDF file [98p.] at: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr_02/sr02_143.pdf

Socioeconomic inequalities in health

Are important but the effects of age and sex may be overlooked

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epidemiology

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Available online at: <http://www.bmj.com/cgi/content/full/334/7601/963>

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Richard Lewis, Arturo Alvarez-Rosete, Nicholas Mays

UK King's Fund, November 2006 | ISBN 978 1 85717 554 7 | 84 pages

Available online PDF [86p.] at:

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/resources/publications/how_to_regulate.html

Oxford Poverty & Human Development Initiative Launch (OPHI)

Website: ophi@geh.ox.ac.uk

Social Trends No. 37 - 2007 edition

Editors: Abigail Self, Linda Zealey

UK Office for National Statistics

Online PDF [247p.] at:

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_social/Social_Trends37/Social_Trends_37.pdf

Impact of packaged interventions on neonatal health: a review of the evidence

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University, Baltimore, MD, USA.

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Rachael Diprose

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University of Oxford, May 2007

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29-30 May 2007

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Department of International Development

Queen Elizabeth House, University of Oxford UK

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Working paper 8: World Health Organization, May 2007

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Richard J. Bonnie, Kathleen Stratton, and Robert B. Wallace, Editors
Committee on Reducing Tobacco Use: Strategies, Barriers, and Consequences
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The Integrated Care Network (ICN) - Care Services Improvement Partnership (CSIP) London UK May 2007

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Organización Panamericana de la Salud OPS/OMS y Agencia Sueca para el Desarrollo Internacional (ASDI) - Serie Extensión de la Protección Social en Salud, N° 3, 2007

Full document [202p.] at:
http://www.lachealthsys.org/documents/extension/Dialogo_Social-Experiencias_America_Latina.pdf

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WHO - World Health Organization
[Download the entire document \[pdf 2.33Mb\]](#)
[Ten statistical highlights in global public health \[pdf 818kb\]](#)

Mapping Global Inequality - University of California - UC Atlas Conference

December 13-14 2007 - University of California UC Santa Cruz
Website: <http://ucatlas.ucsc.edu/flyer.html>

Preterm Birth: Causes, Consequences, and Prevention

Richard E. Behrman, Adrienne Stith Butler, Editors, Committee on Understanding Premature Birth and Assuring Healthy Outcomes
Board on Health Sciences Policy (HSP) and Institute of Medicine (IOM) May 2007
Available online at: http://books.nap.edu/catalog.php?record_id=11622

New Policy Brief - Day Surgery: Making it Happen

Carlo Castoro, Luigi Bertinato, Ugo Baccaglioni, Christina A. Drace, Martin McKee with the collaboration of IAAS Executive Committee Members
World Health Organization 2007, on behalf of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies
Available online PDF [32p.] at: http://www.euro.who.int/Document/Obs/Pol_Brief_Day_Surgery.pdf

**MIRROR, MIRROR ON THE WALL:
AN INTERNATIONAL UPDATE ON THE COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE OF AMERICAN
HEALTH CARE**

Karen Davis, Cathy Schoen, Stephen C. Schoenbaum, Michelle M. Doty, Alyssa L. Holmgren, Jennifer L. Kriss, and Katherine K. Shea

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Michael McGeary, and David K. Barnes, *Editors*
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World Health Organization 2007

Website: <http://www.who.int/ictrp/en/>

Whither equity in health? The state of the poor in Latin America

Los obstáculos de la equidad en salud, o la realidad de los pobres en Latinoamérica

Paul Farmer, Department of Social Medicine, Harvard Medical School, Boston, U.S.A

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How Did Social Medicine Evolve, and Where Is It Heading?

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PLoS Medicine Vol. 3, No. 10, e399 doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.0030399

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Using Population Segmentation to Provide Better Health Care for All:

The “Bridges to Health” Model

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Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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EASAC policy report 07, June 2007. European Academies Science Advisory Council, 2007. For more information: www.easac.eu

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[Information campaign: 'Reducing risks when enjoying the sun'](#)
- Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks
[SCENIHR opinion on Possible effects of Electromagnetic Fields \(EMF\) on Human Health](#) Adopted by the SCENIHR during the 16th plenary meeting of 21 March 2007 (after public consultation)
- Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks
[Further research into Electromagnetic Fields is necessary, scientific committee concludes](#) Midday Express


- Health information: funded projects 2004
[EUHSID - European Union Health Surveys Information Database](#) Second Interim Report
- Health determinants: Drugs
[Report on the implementation of the Council Recommendation on the prevention and reduction of health-related harm associated with drug dependence](#) Now available in 20 languages
- Health information: EU Health Portal
[European Commission wins award for EU Health Portal](#)
- Tobacco: HELP - For a life without Tobacco campaign
[European Youth Manifesto 2007 press conferences](#) Risk assessment: Key document
[Action Plan to the technical report on Intermediate Evaluation of SANCO non-food scientific Committees made by the contractor RAND](#)
- Health information: funded projects 2004
[EPREMED - European Policy Information Research for Mental Disorders](#) 2nd interim report
- Health determinants: Mental health
[New contribution to the open consultation on Green Paper on mental health: Report of the United Kingdom Parliament House of Lords - European Union Committee](#)
- Health information
[E-health](#) Updated
- Health information: funded projects 2004
[European eHealth consumer trends survey](#) Press notice upon publishing the paper in BMC Journal of Public health
- Tobacco: HELP For a life without tobacco campaign
[Help campaign, two years after, main achievements](#)
- Health determinants: Nutrition
[European Commission launches EU Mini-chefs, a website for children on healthy cooking](#)
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