



News from the International HPH Network

The 22nd International HPH Conference attracts 740 participants

The 22nd international HPH Conference was held in Barcelona from April 23-25, 2014.

About the INT. HPH CONFERENCE

The annual International Conference on Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services is the main event of the International HPH Network's calendar.

Each year health professionals meet to exchange knowledge and experience on health promotion.

Learn more about the International HPH Conference at: www.hphconferences.org

The conference program focused on developing the organizational culture of healthcare organisations towards better embracing health promotion.

Around 740 people from all over the world participated at the conference. Despite the European conference venue, around 50% of delegates came from Asian, with an especially high attendance from Taiwan. Remaining 43% of participants were from Europe, while 7% came from the rest of the world.

The high attendance is a success for the International HPH Network and so was the level of the scientific presentations and discussions at the conference.

An extended report on the conference was published in the HPH Newsletter #67 http://www.hph-hc.cc/fileadmin/user_upload/HPH_Newsletter/hph_newsletter_67.pdf, and virtual proceedings of the conference are available online at <http://www.hphconferences.org/barcelona2014/proceedings.html>

We welcome the new HPH Governance Board

At the 20th Meeting of HPH General Assembly on April 23, 2014 in Barcelona, a new HPH Governance Board was elected by the General Assembly.

Until 2016 the HPH Governance Board consist of the following National/Regional HPH Coordinators:

- Chair, Raffaele Zorrati (Italy)
- Vice-chair, Ida R K Bukholm (Norway)
- Bożena Walewska-Zielecka (Poland)
- Jerneja Farkas-Lainscak (Slovenia)
- Suzan Frampton (Connecticut, USA)
- Manel Santiñà (Catalonia, Spain)

Besides the elected National/ Regional HPH Coordinators, the GB includes the following observers:

- Shu-Ti Chiou (Taiwan)
- Dr. Elke Jakubowski, Senior Adviser, WHO Europe
- Jürgen Pelikan, CEO, HPH Conference Secretariat, WHO CC Vienna
- Hanne Tønnesen, CEO, International HPH Secretariat, WHO CC Copenhagen



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Call for papers for the 23rd International HPH Conference

In 2015, the International HPH conference will take place on June 10-12 in Oslo, Norway. The conference has the title: *Person-oriented health promotion in a rapidly changing world: Co-production – continuity – new media & technologies.*

The Scientific Committee invites especially abstracts on one of the main topics of the conference:

- The somato-psycho-social health needs of people
- Co-producing health – techniques and examples
- Health promotion in continuous and integrated care
- New media & technologies to address health and health promotion

Additionally, you can also choose from a wider range of topics, see full list at <http://www.hphconferences.org/oslo2015/scope-purpose/call-for-papers.html>

Deadline for abstract submission to the 23rd International HPH Conference is December 20, 2014.



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European WHO members met at RC64

The 64th session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe took place on 15-18 September 2014 in Copenhagen, Denmark. Delegations from the 53 Member States in the WHO European Region met to discuss and agree on issues relating to public health in the Region, as well as the management and organization of WHO/Europe.

Among the official partner NGOs, the international HPH Network took part of the 64th session and delivered a written statement about the work and commitment of the HPH Network and the WHO-HPH collaboration under the official Memorandum of Understanding (re-signed in 2014).

The statement covered three examples on Health Promoting initiatives:

- Implementing Hospital Health Promotion in the Czech Republic – a WHO HPH Research Project on Implementation
- Smoke-free operations in Sweden – an initiative by the Swedish HPH Network and orthopaedic surgeons across Sweden
- Cross-sectional collaboration in Denmark to assess and improve quality of smoking cessation intervention

You can browse the content and decisions of the RC 64 at the following link: <http://www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/governance/regional-committee-for-europe/64th-session>