Dear colleagues,

On the following pages we list all the Vienna Forum sessions organised by RC15 and in conjunction with other RCs. I am sure you will agree with me that we have a very stimulating scientific program, testament to the vibrant RC15 research community. Please note that most of our sessions will be held in Hörsaal 32 (Main Building), but joint sessions may be in another building. In what follows, I would like to draw your attention to a couple of events and new features of the program.

This Forum’s program committee introduced a number of innovations, which I would like to bring to your attention. First, this year we will have two roundtables in Hörsaal BIG 2 (Main Building) on Wednesday, 13 July 2016 at 10:45-12:15 and 14:15-15:45. We hope you will appreciate this new format, which allows us to include more participants and stimulate small group discussions.

Second, to foster discussion between RCs, the program committee has instituted Common Sessions where each RC will present on their sub-discipline’s take on the Forum’s topic of The Futures We Want: Global Sociology and the Struggles for a Better World. Thus, I will be presenting on Monday, 11 July 2016 at 17:45 in Hörsaal 10 (Juridicum) on Closing the Gap: The Potential of Sociology for the Study of Policies and Health Inequalities.

Please also mark your calendars for the business meeting on Tuesday July 12, 16:00-17:30 in Hörsaal 32 (Main Building) to learn more about RC15 and its administration. Elections will be held in 2018, and it’s never too early to get involved!

Finally, I hope you will join us for our social event on Tuesday July 12 at 20:00 for what promises to be a delightful typical Viennese evening of socializing at the local Heuriger Sissi Huber (Heurige are Viennese taverns serving local wines). As in previous years, this event is held jointly with RC52.


I and other members of the Steering Committee are very much looking forward to meeting those of you who will be attending the Forum in Vienna and hope you enjoy what we expect to be a very memorable occasion.

Best wishes,

Professor Amélie Quesnel-Vallée
President RC15 Sociology of Health
McGill University, Canada
Email: amelie.quesnelvallée@mcgill.ca
**Program Coordinators:** Guido GIARELLI (University 'Magna Graecia' - Catanzaro, Italy) and Amelie QUESNEL-VALLEE (McGill University, Canada)

**Final Programme**

**Sunday, 10 July 2016**

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10:45-12:15 Gender, Health and Migration in Transnational Context. Rights, Policies, Accessibility
Session Organizers: Lia LOMBARDI and Mara TOGNETTI

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Session Organizer: Claus WENDT

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**Detailed Programme**


Sunday, 10 July 2016: 09:00-10:30  
Location: Hörsaal 34 (Main Building)

Session Organizer: Johanne COLLIN, University of Montreal, Canada  
Chair: Philippe LE MOIGNE, INSERM, France

**Oral Presentations:**

Social Plasticity and Pharmaceuticalisation  
**Johanne COLLIN**, University of Montreal, Canada

Psychostimulants in the Digital Space: An Insight into Pharmaceuticalisation  
**Caroline ROBITAILLE**, Universite de Montreal, Canada

Capitalizing on Being Othered: Genomic Medicine, Racial Identities and a Globalized Pharmaceutical Industry  
**Shirley HsiaoLi SUN**, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
How Do Patients Construct Their Identities Under Medicalised and Pharmaceticalised Conditions?
*Ikuko TOMOMATSU*, Eagle Matrix Consulting Co. Ltd, Japan

**Distributed Papers:**

Before Pharma: Transforming Samples into Bio-Objects
*Brigida RISO*, CIES-University Institute of Lisbon, Portugal

Le Traitement Médicamenteux Des Douleurs De L'accouchement, Une Boîte De Pandore ?
*Maud ARNAL*, EHESS, McGill - IRIS, EHESS, SSOM, France

Proto-Medicalised Practices. the Role of Functional Foods.
*Paulo MONTEIRO*, Lisbon University Institute (ISCTE-IUL), Portugal

**Aging Society and New Welfare Policies**

Sunday, 10 July 2016: 10:45-12:15
Location: Hörsaal 33 (Main Building)
RC11 Sociology of Aging (host committee)
RC15 Sociology of Health

Session Organizer: Giuseppina CERSOSIMO, University of Salerno, Italy
Chair: Giuseppina CERSOSIMO

**Oral Presentations:**

Local Social Innovations in Ageing and Intergenerational Solidarity: Policy Strategies in Cities of the European Union
*Andrzej KLIMCZUK*, Warsaw School of Economics, Poland

Toward an Integrated System of Service Delivery: Policy Framework, Instruments, and Challenges of Japan's Community Total Care System
*Koichi HIRAOKA*, Ochanomizu University, Japan

Promotion of Active Ageing through Activities in Rural Settings: Innovative Initiatives of a Regional Programme.
*Cristina GAGLIARDI*, IRCCS-INRCA National Institute of Health & Science on Ageing, Italy; *Sara SANTINI*, IRCCS-INRCA National Institute of Health & Science on Ageing, Italy; *Giovanni LAMURA*, IRCCS-INRCA National Institute of Health & Science on Ageing, Italy

Deprivation of Resources: Aged Care in China's Newly Urbanized Areas
*Jingjing ZHANG*, Southeast University, China

Developing Age-Friendly Cities: A Tool to Guide Efforts to Promote Healthy Ageing in Urban Settings
*Stefanie BUCKNER*, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom;
Politics of Small Economic Incentives of Volunteers in Old Age: Using a Mixed Methods Approach  
*Daisuke WATANABE*, Seikei University, Japan

**Distributed Papers:**

Challenging Issues in Evaluation of Home Care Services  
*Valentina HLEBEC*, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Social Sciences, Slovenia

How Can We Understand Senior Camps in Relation to Social Policies and Images of Ageing?  
*Gabriella NILSSON*, Department of cultural sciences, Sweden;  
*Janicke ANDERSSON*, CASE, Sweden

Public Policies on the Provision of Care for the Elderly in Cuba: Readings and Questions in Times of Change  
*Raynier HERNANDEZ ARENCIBIA*, Alberto Hurtado University, Chile;  
*Beatriz REVUELTA*, Alberto Hurtado University, Chile

Welfare Policies and Solidarity Toward the Elderly  
*Mercedes FERNANDEZ-ALONSO*, University of Malaga, Spain;  
*Antonio M. JAIME-CASTILLO*, University of Malaga, Spain;  
*Marta ORTEGA*, University of Malaga, Spain

**Aging, Health and Life Course: Theoretical Issues and Methodological Problems.**

**Joint Special Session of the Global Health Sociology Network: ISA RC15, ESA RN16 and ESHMS**

Sunday, 10 July 2016: 12:30-14:00  
Location: Hörsaal 33 (Main Building)

Session Organizers: Guido GIARELLI, University ‘Magna Graecia’, Catanzaro, Italy and Giuseppina CERSOSIMO, University of Salerno, Italy  
Chair: Guido GIARELLI

**Oral Presentations:**

Age Life Cycle  
*A.L. Sinikka DIXON*, Burman University, Canada

Successful Aging: History and State of the Art  
*Yaroslava EVSEEVA*, Institute of Scientific Information on Social Sciences of the Russian
Academy of Sciences, Russia

Transition to Old Age and Population Heterogeneity: A Comparison Between Two Latin-American Countries

Carolina A. GUIDOTTI GONZALEZ, Facultad de Psicologia, Universidad de la Republica, Uruguay

Theoretical and Methodological Challenges and Advantages When Combining Methods and Using Cross-Scientific Perspectives in the Study of Senior Camps

Lisa EKSTAM, CASE, Sweden;
Gabriella NILSSON, Department of cultural sciences, Sweden

Dementia and the Moral Order

Trude GJERNES, University of Nordland, Norway;
Per MASEIDE, secon author, Norway

Understanding Successful Ageing for the 'new' Ageing Populations: The Case of Cystic Fibrosis

Karen LOWTON, University of Sussex, United Kingdom

Distributed Papers:

Deviances from “Normal Life”: When the Category “Dementia” Becomes Relevant in the Life of a Person
Shu KINOSHITA, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, Japan

“Pengci” and Population Aging: Promotion of Healthy Aging Based on Social Network Theory
Shaozhe ZHANG, Department of Sociology, Wuhan University, China;
Ting CHEN, School of Medicine and Health Management, Huazhong Universtiy of Science and Technology, China;
Wei Xiang, Wuhan Union Hospital, Tongji Medical College, Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China

Wellbeing in Old Age from a Gender Perspective
Rita BIANCHERI, Pisa University, Italy; Silvia CERVIA, Pisa University, Italy

Older Workers and Caregiving in a Global Context: Methodological Challenges and Opportunities in Comparative Analysis
Janet FAST, University of Alberta, Canada;
Kate O'LOUGHLIN, The University of Sydney, Australia;
Judith PHILLIPS, Swansea University, United Kingdom
Drug Use and Local and Global Public Policies of Health: New Tensions, Complementation or Changes for Not Change?

Sunday, 10 July 2016: 14:15-15:45
Location: Hörsaal 10 (Juridicum)
RC15 Sociology of Health (host committee)
RC42 Social Psychology
RC49 Mental Health and Illness

Session Organizer: Victoria SANCHEZ ANTELO, Universidad Nacional de Tres de Febrero, Argentina

Oral Presentations:

Bridging the Global and Personal: International Drug Control Law and Behavioural Compliance
Damon BARRETT, University of Stockholm, Sweden

Integrated Programs Paradigm As a Response to Harm Reduction Shortcomings in Quebec.
Romain PAUMIER, Universite du Quebec a Montreal, Canada

El Aprendizaje Del Consumo De Alcohol Entre Adolescentes: “Coge El Punto Pero No El Pedo”
Jorge UROZ, Comillas University, Spain; Carmen MENESES, Comillas University, Spain

Examining the Relationship Between Social Determinants of Health and Substance Use for Urban American Indian Adolescents in the United States
Stephanie AYERS, Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, Arizona State University, USA;
Stephen KULIS, Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, Arizona State University, USA;
Justin JAGER, T. Denny Sanford School of Social and Family Dynamics, Arizona State University, USA

Marijuana Decriminalization in Uruguay: Challenges and Opportunities Related to Preventing Adolescent Drug Use
Flavio MARSIGLIA, Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, Arizona State University, USA;
Anaid GONZALVEZ, Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, Arizona State University, USA;
Carlos Andres Libisch RECALDE, Fundación Pablo de Tarso, Uruguay; Lucia Barros SULCA, Fundación Pablo de Tarso, Uruguay
The Future Heath Workforce We Need: Professions, Policy and Planning. Part I

Monday, 11 July 2016: 09:00-10:30
Location: Hörsaal 10 (Juridicum)

RC15 Sociology of Health (host committee)
RC52 Sociology of Professional Groups

Session Organizer: Ellen KUHLMANN, Goethe-University Frankfurt, Germany

Oral Presentations:

Evaluation of the Plan of General Practitioners Zone in Rural Areas. Study Based on the Perception of the Physicians Participating.
**Pablo RIVERA**, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain;
**Jorge RAMIREZ**, University of California San Francisco, USA;
**Elena SANCHEZ**, Departamento de Biología Vegetal, Spain

Health Workforce Evidence Informed Policies? Portuguese and Brazilian National Policy-Makers' Perspectives
**Isabel CRAVEIRO**, Institute of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UNL, Portugal;
**Virginia HORTALE**, ENSP - FioCruz, Brazil;
**Gilles DUSSAULT**, IHMT-UNL, Portugal

Health Care As a Labour Market
**Emmanuele PAVOLINI**, Macerata University, Italy

Coping with New and Complex Caring Demands: Health Workforce Policies and Practices in Norwegian Care Services
**Kari LUDVIGSEN**, Uni Research, Norway

**Leah GILBERT**, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

Barriers and Facilitators to Women’s Advancement and Leadership in Academic Medicine
**Pavel OVSEIKO**, University of Oxford, United Kingdom;
**Laurel EDMUNDS**, University of Oxford, United Kingdom;
**Alastair BUCHAN**, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Distributed Papers:

Social Issues, Policy Changes, and the Future: Migration of Healthcare Workers from Southeast Asia to Japan
**Chika SHINOHARA**, Momoyama Gakuin University, Japan
The French Regional Health Agencies: Shaking the Professional Ranks, Shaping New Professional Figures?

*Raluca IUGULESCU LESTRADE*, Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Toulouse (Sciences Po Toulouse), France

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The Future Heath Workforce We Need: Professions, Policy and Planning. Part II

Monday, 11 July 2016: 10:45-12:15
Location: Hörsaal 10 (Juridicum)

RC52 Sociology of Professional Groups (host committee)
RC15 Sociology of Health

Session Organizer: Ellen KUHLMANN, Goethe-University Frankfurt, Germany

**Oral Presentations:**

Moving from One Professional System to a (seemingly) Similar One: Surprising Challenges and Issues of Policy and Governance

*Jean-Luc BEDARD*, TÉLUQ - Université du Québec, Canada;
*Anna Maria ZAIDMAN*, Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada

Construction of Migrant Care Workers in East Asia: Intersection Between Migration Regimes and Care Regimes

*Reiko OGAWA*, Kyushu University, Japan

When Communities Participate in Primary Health Care: A Randomized Controlled Trial of an NGO Led Community Health Worker Program in the Philippines

*Roman HOFFMANN*, University of Vienna, Austria

Towards Strategic Health Workforce Planning - Experiences from the Joint Action of European Health Workforce Planning and Forecasting Project

*Eszter KOVACS*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary;
*Edmond GIRASEK*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary;
*Edit EKE*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary;
*Karoly RAGANY*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary;
*Reka KOVACS*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary;
*Zoltan CSERHATI*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary;
*Zoltan ASZALOS*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary;
*Miklos SZOCSKA*, Health Services Management Training Centre, Semmelweis University, Hungary
The Politics of Health Care Provision in Disadvantaged Regions: Germany, France, England, and Sweden Compared

**Thomas GERLINGER**, Universität Bielefeld, Germany;
**Patrick HASSENTEUFEL**, Université de Versailles, France; Renate REITER, Fernuniversität Hagen, Germany;
**Alban DAVESNE**, Université de Versailles, France;
**Rudiger HENKEL**, Fernuniversität Hagen, Germany;
**Barbara KUPPER**, Universität Bielefeld, Germany;
**Audre LECOMTE**, Université de Versailles, France;
**Caspar LUCKENBACH**, Universität Bielefeld, Germany;
**Marie MONCADA**, Université de Versailles, France;
**Francois-Xavier SCHWEYER**, Université de Versailles, France;
**Marc SMYRL**, Université de Versailles, France

Swedish Physicians Working for International Help Organizations – on New Work Contexts, Knowledge and Reflexivity

**Katarzyna WOLANIK-BOSTROM**, Umea university, Sweden

Distributed Papers:

The British Minority Ethnic Nurse and the Future of the National Health Service in England

**Beverley BRATHWAITE**, Univesity of Hertfordshire, United Kingdom

Types of Profession-State Relationship

**Masahiko KANEKO**, National Defense Medical College, Japan

Language on Health and Disease

Monday, 11 July 2016: 14:15-15:45
Location: Hörsaal 18 (Juridicum)

RC25 Language and Society (host committee)
RC15 Sociology of Health

Session Organizers: Keiji FUJIYOSHI, Otemon Gakuin University, Japan and Miwako HOSODA, Seisa University, Japan

Oral Presentations:

Mind the Cancer Screening Gap Between the Medical and Laypersons' Languages

**Lea HAGOEL**, Department of Community Medicine and Epidemiology, Faculty of Medicine, Technion, Israel;

**Paula FEDER-BUBIS**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel

What Happens after Diagnosis?: Patient and Physician Roles in Negotiating a Treatment Plan

**Alexandra VINSON**, Northwestern University, USA
The Language of Illness and the Evidence-Based Wor(l)d: A Possible Integration

Micol BRONZINI, Department of Economics and Social Science, Italy

Creating “Idiom of Distress” Collaboratively: An Analysis of Practices of Self-Directed Research
By People with Mental Illness

Shigeru URANO, Mie Prefectural College of Nursing, Japan; Yoshifumi MIZUKAWA, Hokusei Gakuen University, Japan; Kazuo NAKAMURA, Aomori University, Japan

The Plurality of Meanings Related to Symptoms and Illnesses: The Experiences of Estonian Spiritual Practitioners

Marko UIBU, University of Tartu, Estonia

Distributed Papers:

From Active Offer to Active Delivery: Increasing the Number of Bilingual Health and Social Care Professionals in Wales

Christina WAGONER, Cardiff University, United Kingdom

Towards a Comparative Perspective on Citizens’ and Civil Society Organizations’ Participation in Healthcare

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Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

Session Organizer: Benjamin MARENT, University of Brighton, United Kingdom
Chair: Benjamin MARENT

Oral Presentations:

Participation, Involvement and Engagement – More Than a Question of Semantics

Pam CARTER, University of Leicester, United Kingdom

Participation in Mhealth Evaluation: The Case of a Smartphone App for HIV Patients

Flis HENWOOD, University of Brighton, United Kingdom;
Mary DARKING, University of Brighton, United Kingdom;
Benjamin MARENT, University of Brighton, United Kingdom

The Challenge of Biological Citizenship and the Role of Civil Society Organizations: A Framework for the Analysis

Guido GIARELLI, University 'Magna Graecia' - Catanzaro, Italy

Opportunities and Tensions in Self-Help-Organizations As a Consequence of Participation Practices – Results from a Multiple Case Study in Austria

Daniela ROJATZ, University of Vienna, Institute of Sociology, Austria;
Rudolf FORSTER, University of Vienna, Institute of Sociology, Austria
The Democratic Value of Citizens' and Civil Society Organizations: A Comparative Study of Rare Disease Organizations and Their Representative Claims

Julia FISCHER, University of Innsbruck, Austria;
Hester M. BOVENKAMP, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands

Distributed Papers:

Engaging Consent: Exploring Public Participation and Informed Consent in Biobanking
Melanie GOISAUF, University of Vienna & Life Science Governance Institute, Austria;
Johannes STARKBAUM, Department of Political Science, University of Vienna, Austria;
Anna DURNOVA, University of Vienna & Life Science Governance Institute, Austria

Good Citizens: Citizen's Participation in Biomedical Research Biobanks
Brigida RISO, CIES-University Institute of Lisbon, Portugal

E-Health (Electronic Health) and Informaticization of Medicine

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Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

The proposed session will be in a roundtable session format.

Session Organizer: Gul SECKIN, University of North Texas, USA
Chair: Cynthia CREADY, University of North Texas, USA

Oral Presentations:

Personal Experiences of Health and Illness on the Internet: Dipex International Collaboration and Healthtalk Australia (healthtalkaustralia.org)
Renata KOKANOVIC, Monash University, Australia;
Kate JOHNSTON ATA’ATA, Monash University, Australia;
Nicholas HILL, Monash University, Australia;
Caroline HART, Monash University, Australia

The Power of Information Technology: Governing Patients through Technology
Dimitra PETRAKAKI, University of Sussex, United Kingdom;
Eva HILBERG, University of Sussex, United Kingdom

The Lay Users' Evaluations of Credibility of Medical Information on the Web
Katarzyna ABRAMCZUK, University of Warsaw, Poland

Healthcare in the Society of the Internet: A Multi-Site Case Study of the Introduction of M-Health Technologies for HIV Care
Benjamin MARENT, University of Brighton, United Kingdom;
Mary DARKING, University of Brighton, United Kingdom;
Flis HENWOOD, University of Brighton, United Kingdom
Quest of Information on Health Issues through Social Networking on-Line and Off-Line, Among 18-34 Years Old.  
*Monique CARON BOUCHARD*, UQAM (Universite du Quebec), Canada

Migration of Physicians and Nurses: Global Health (Non) Governance?

**Tuesday, 12 July 2016: 10:45-12:15**  
Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

Session Organizers: Joana SOUSA RIBEIRO, Center for Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal and Yuko HIRANO, Nagasaki University, Japan

**Oral Presentations:**

Different Routes out, Different Routes in: Practicing Health after Arriving in the US  
*Susan BELL*, Drexel University, USA

Health-Caregivers on the Global Labor Market: A Comparative Study of Japan's Economic Partnership Agreements and Germany's Triple Win Program  
*Gabriele VOGT*, University of Hamburg, Germany

Factors Influencing Foreign Qualification Recognition for Migrant Health Professionals in Australia, Canada and New Zealand  
*Lesleyanne HAWTHORNE*, University of Melbourne, Australia

Economic Crisis and International Mobility of European and Non-European Health Workers in the South-East of France: Citizenship and Gender  
*Francesca SIRNA*, CNRS, France

Reskilling Vietnamese Nurses Under the Japan-Vietnam Economic Partnership Agreement: An Analysis of Practice Examination of Japan's National Board Examination for Nurses Given in Vietnamese Language  
*Yoshichika KAWAGUCHI*, University of Occupational and Environmental Health, Japan

**Distributed Papers:**

The Extent of Competency in Socio Cultural Adaptation in Maintaining Psychological Well-Being of Indonesian Migrant Nurses in Japan  
*Susiana NUGRAHA*, Jenderal A. Yani School of Health Science, Indonesia;  
*Yuko HIRANO*, Nagasaki University, Japan

Socio-Economic Implications of Japanese Hospitals Accepting Foreign Nurses Under Bilateral Agreements: Analysis of the Cognitive Burdens of the Hospitals  
*Yuko HIRANO*, Nagasaki University, Japan; Kunio TSUBOTA, Meiji University, Japan
Constrained Choice and Health Disparities

Tuesday, 12 July 2016: 14:15-15:45
Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

Session Organizers: Chloe BIRD, RAND, USA and Patricia RIEKER, Boston University, USA
Chair: Patricia RIEKER
Co-Chair: Chloe BIRD, Pardee RAND Graduate School, USA

Oral Presentations:

Constrained Choices: Migrant Workers' Access to Care in Qatar
Jen'nan READ, Duke University, USA

A Multilevel Test of Constrained Choices Theory: The Case of Tobacco Clean Air Restrictions
Michael VUOLO, The Ohio State University, USA;
Joy KADOWAKI, Purdue University, USA;
Brian C. KELLY, Purdue University, USA

Constrained Choice, Race, Gender and Health: The Divergent Pathways of Twins
Patricia RIEKER, Boston University, USA

Sigrun OLAFSDOTTIR, Boston University, USA

Constrained Choice: Gender Bias and Quality of Routine Care for Cardiovascular Disease
Chloe BIRD, Pardee RAND Graduate School, USA;
Allen FREMONT, RAND, USA

Distributed Papers:

Lifestyle Routine in the Structure/Agency Dynamics: Health Behaviors Enabled or Constrained, Cancer Screening As an Example
Paula FEDER-BUBIS, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel;
Lea HAGOEL, Department of Community Medicine and Epidemiology, Faculty of Medicine, Technion, Israel

Constrained Choice, Perinatal Health, and Intimate Partner Victimization (IPV)
Angela MOE, Western Michigan University, USA;
Catherine KOTHARI, Western Michigan University, USA
RC15 Business Meeting

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Exploring the Nexus of Health, Religion/Spirituality and Healing

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Session Organizer: Alex ASAKITIKPI, Monash South Africa, South Africa

Oral Presentations:


Vincenzo GIORGINO, University of Torino, Italy

Linking Faith and Complementary Therapies in Cancer Care for African-Americans

Sandra SULZER, Xavier University of Louisiana, USA;
Lindsey HAYNES-MASLOW, Union of Concerned Scientists, USA;
Christine SMITH, Xavier University of Louisiana, USA

Migration, Insecurity, and the Steaming Body: Healing Rituals in Johannesburg

Lorena NUNEZ, University of Witwatersrand, South Africa;
Peter KANKONDE, African Center for Migration and Society- Wits, South Africa;
Melekias ZULU, African Centre for Migration and Society - Wits, South Africa

Botanicas Unplugged: Latinos’ Religious Healing and the Impact of the Immigrant Continuum

Anahi VILADRICH, Queens College & The Graduate Center, City University of New York, USA

An Analysis of Online Testimonies of Healing and Cure By Members of Nigerian Based Religious Bodies

Aretha ASAKITIKPI, Southern Business School (SBS), South Africa

Elderly Abuse and Stigma Avoidance through Religious Involvement Among Elderly People in a Yoruba Community, Southwest Nigeria

Ojo Melvin AGUNBIADE, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa and Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria, Nigeria;
Funmilayo AFOLABI, Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria

The Role of Culture and Health Beliefs in Diabetes Self-Management Among Black African Community in the UK

Damilola OYEWOLE, Nottingham Trent University, United Kingdom

Distributed Papers:
Complementary and Alternative Medicines: Towards a Holistic Healthcare System in Africa

Alex ASAKITIKPI, Monash South Africa, South Africa

Gender, Health and Migration in Transnational Context. Rights, Policies, Accessibility

Wednesday, 13 July 2016: 10:45-12:15
Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

Session Organizers: Lia LOMBARDI, University of Milan, Italy and Mara TOGNETTI, University of Milan-Bicocca, Italy

Oral Presentations:

Les Troubles Genrés De La Vie Psychique : L'exemple Des Migrant(e)s Chinois(es) En Région Parisienne

Simeng WANG, Ecole Normale Superieure, France

Inequalities in induced abortion according to birthplace and educational attainment in a Southern European region (Basque Country)

Yolanda GONZALEZ-RABAGO, University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU), Spain;
Unai MARTIN, University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU), Spain;
Luisa N. BORRELL, Lehman College, CUNY, Department of Health Sciences, USA;
Elena RODRIGUEZ, University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU), Spain

Santé Mentale, Migration, Et Violences Faites Aux Femmes: L'accompagnement Psycho-Social Des Femmes Excisées Au Centre Françoise Minkowska (Paris)

Marie-Jo BOURDIN, Centre F. Minkowska, France

The Impact of Employer Preference on Migrant Health Professionals' Labour Market Integration - Key Trends in Australia, Canada and New Zealand

Lesleyanne HAWTHORNE, University of Melbourne, Australia

Sexual and Reproductive Health of Immigrant Women in Catalonia: Consequences of the Application of the Royal Law Decree 16/2012 for Sanitary Regulation

Anna MORERO BELTRÁN, Departament de Sociologia i Analisi de les Organizacions, USA;
Ana BALLESTEROS PENA, University of Barcelona, Spain

Distributed Papers:

Health and Well-Being of Immigrant People in Lombardy. Lifestyles and Economic Crisis

Lia LOMBARDI, University of Milan, Italy

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RC15 Roundtable session 2

Wednesday, 13 July 2016: 10:45-12:15
Location: Hörsaal BIG 2 (Main Building)

Session Organizer: Claus WENDT, University of Siegen, Germany

Roundtable A

Mhealth and Maternal Care: A Winning Combination for Healthcare in the Developing World?
Marine AL DAHDAH, Paris Descartes University (CEPED, UPD-IRD)

Maternal Outcomes in the Context of Free Maternal Healthcare: Perception and Realities in Nigeria
Anthony AJAYI, University of Fort Hare;
Wilson AKPAN, University of Fort Hare;
Oladele Vincent ADENIYI, Cecilia Makiwane Hospital

Cultural Constraints for Mental Health Care in Japan: Patterns and Correlates
Saeko KIKUZAWA, Hosei University;
Bernice PESCOSOLIDO, Indiana University;
Mami KIRITANI, The University of Tokyo;
Tomoko MATOBA, Toyo University;
Chikako YAMAKI, National Cancer Center;
Katsumi SUGIYAMA, Aomori University of Health and Welfare;
Toshihiko YAMAZAKI, Nihon Fukushi University

Childhood Abuse and Depressive Symptoms in Adulthood: The Mediating Effects of Personality Traits
Rira SONG, Chung-Ang university; Min-Ah LEE, Chung-Ang University

Shifting Social Solidarities and Genetic Risk in Communities Where Cousin Marriage Is Commonplace.
Neil SMALL, University of Bradford

Under the Umbrella?: A Socio-Historical Analysis of Umbrella Organisations for Rare Diseases
Koichi MIKAMI, Science, Technology and Innovation Studies, University of Edinburgh
Roundtable B

Welfare and Health Care Systems at Cross-Purposes: Interactions Between Institutional Capacity and Institutional Design As Impediments to Reducing Social Inequalities in Health

**Lindsey RICHARDSON**, Department of Sociology, University of British Columbia

Wellbeing, Health, and Welfare Regime: A Qualitative Analysis of Dealing with Health Problems Temuco, Chile and San Jose, Costa Rica.

**Monica BUDOWSKI**, University of Fribourg; **William VERA**, Pontifical Catholic University of Valparaiso

Welfare Regime, Ethno-Class and Inequalities in Health: The Israeli Case

**Dani FILC**, Department of Politics and Government Ben-Gurion University

Press in the Service of the Pharmaceutical Industry: Medication Coverage in Israeli Online Newspapers

**Anat KLIN**, Western Galilee Academic College, Bar-Ilan University;

**Yovav ESHET**, Zefat Academic College

Navigating Healthcare in a Public/Private System – the Inequalities of Choice

**Karen WILLIS**, Australian Catholic University;

**Fran COLLYER**, The University of Sydney;

**Sophie LEWIS**, University of Sydney;

**Ian FLAHERTY**, University of Sydney;

**Jonathan GABE**, Royal Holloway, University of London;

**Michael CALNAN**, University of Kent

Stratified Access to Health Systems: The Case of "Bolsa Familia" (Brazil) and "Oportunidades" (Mexico) Programs.

**Alejandra SAUCEDO TAPIA**, Universidad de Guadalajara

Roundtable C

The Challenge of Citizens' Participation in Southern European Health Systems

**Mauro SERAPIONI**, Centre for Social Studies;

**Ana Raquel MATOS**, Centre for Social Studies

Empowerment through Intimacy: The Case of Czech Homebirth Controversy

**Lenka FORMANKOVA**, Institute of Sociology, Czech Academy of Sciences;

**Eva HEJZLAROVA**, Institute of Public Policy Prague;

**Anna DURNOVA**, University of Vienna

Moving Towards Participatory Senior Care. Explaining Cross-National Differences in the Participatory Rights of Senior Care Recipients

**Thurid EGGERS**, University of Hamburg

Between Secret and Public Exposure through Patients' Organisations: The Double Moral
Injunction of Infertile Couples Using Medically Assisted Procreation with a Third-Party Donor
Catarina DELAUNAY, CICS.NOVA - Interdisciplinary Centre of Social Sciences

Comparative Dynamics of State-Society Relations for Health Provision in Argentina, Pakistan and Singapore
Ijlal NAQVI, Singapore Management University;
Federico ROSSI, National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET)

RC15 Roundtable session 1

Wednesday, 13 July 2016: 14:15-15:45
Location: Hörsaal BIG 2 (Main Building)

Session Organizer: Peter KRIWY, Chemnitz University of Technology, Germany
Chair: Peter KRIWY

Roundtable A

Boundaries and Health: Perceived Discrimination and Health Inequalities Between Immigrants and Non-Immigrants in Europe.
Reinhard SCHUNCK, Bielefeld University

Cross-National Public Support for Mental Health Policies: The Influence of Stigma, National Culture and Political Landscape
Carol BOYER, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey;
Virginia TANGEL, Weill Cornell Medical College

Housing As a Social Determinant of Health: Its Impact on Health Inequalities Across Europe
Amy CLAIR, University of Oxford

Roundtable B

Factors Associated with Choice of Home, Public or Private Sector Delivery in Eastern Nepal
Nisha MANANDHAR, B P Koirala Institute of Health Sciences;
Paras K POKHAREL, B P Koirala Institute of Health Sciences;
Surya Raj NIRAULA, B P Koirala Institute of Health Sciences;
Rubina RAI, B P Koirala Institute of Health Sciences;
Suman B SINGH, B P Koirala Institute of Health Sciences

Organizational and Regional Determinants of Health Care Organizations' Efficiency: The Case of Infant Mortality and Community Health Centres in Indonesia
Suwatin MIHARTI, University of Groningen;
Ronald HOLZHACKER, University of Groningen;
Bart LOS, University of Groningen

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| Identifying and Reducing Social Inequalities in Health: Community Informed Qualitative Adaptation of Who's Urban Health Assessment and Response Tool with Focus on Action |
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Elderly People with Cancer and “Young People” with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders: Social Issues and Challenges of Two Recently Identified Target Population in Western Societies.

Lynda SIFER-RIVIÈRE, Centre of sciences, medicine, health, mental health and society

Transforming Residential Aged Care into a Health Promoting Setting? Results from a Follow up Study on the Austrian Pilot Project “Health Has No Age”

Karl KRAJIC, University of Vienna, Department of Sociology;
Viktoria QUEHENBERGER, University of Vienna, Department of Sociology;
Martin CICHOCKI, FORBA - Working Life Research Center

‘I Really Have Thought This Can't Go on': Housing Tenure and the Health of Older Australians Dependent on the Age Pension

Alan MORRIS, Institute for Public Policy and Governance, University of Technology Sydney

Older Workers and Caregiving in a Global Context: A Theoretical Analysis of Pressures Towards Convergence and Differentiation

Kate O'LOUGHLIN, The University of Sydney;
Sue YEANDLE, University of Sheffield;
Janet FAST, University of Alberta;
Judith PHILLIPS, Swansea University

Socio-Economic Inequalities in Health Deficit Accumulation in Old Age. Cross-National Evidence from Growth Curve Models Using Share Panel Data (2004-2013) from 10 European Countries

Erwin STOLZ, Medical University of Graz

Health Inequalities in Comparative Perspective

Wednesday, 13 July 2016: 16:00-17:30
Location: Hörsaal 10 (Juridicum)

RC15 Sociology of Health (host committee)
RC20 Comparative Sociology

Chair: Amelie QUESNEL-VALLEE, McGill University, Canada

Oral Presentations:

Mortality By Different Dimensions of Stratification – a Comparison of Education, Class, Status and Income with Finish Register Data

Rasmus HOFFMANN, European University Institute, Italy;
Pekka MARTIKAINEN, University of Helsinki, Finland

Rating Your Health: An Examination of Non-Health-Related Factors and Differential Item
Functioning in the Self-Rating of Health
Patrick LAZAREVIC, TU Dortmund, Germany

Intersectionality and Social Inequalities in Health: A Comparative Study
Nadine REIBLING, University of Siegen, Germany

Role of Gender and Socioeconomic Inequality in Women's Health and Health Care: Evidences from India
Suparna SHOME, Indian Statistical Institute, India;
Manoranjan PAL, Indian Statistical Institute, India

Socio-Economic Inequality in Childhood Obesity in a Metro City in India
Susmita BHARATI, Indian Statistical Institute, India;
Premananda BHARATI, Indian Statistical Institute, India

Missing in Action? Sociological Analysis and the Provision of Public/Private Healthcare

Thursday, 14 July 2016: 09:00-10:30
Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

Session Organizers: Fran COLLYER, The University of Sydney, Australia and Karen WILLIS, Australian Catholic University, Australia

Oral Presentations:

Missing in Action? Sociological Analysis and the Provision of Public/Private Healthcare
Fran COLLYER, The University of Sydney, Australia;
Karen WILLIS, Australian Catholic University, Australia

Commodification of Health Under Neoliberalism: A Comparison of the Israeli and the Spanish Cases
Dani FILC, Department of Politics and Government Ben-Gurion University, Israel;
Nadav DAVIDOVICH, Department of Health Systems' Management Ben-Gurion University, Israel

How the Market Influences Formal and Patient Systems of Support for Long Term Condition Management: Stakeholder Accounts of Commonalities and Differences Across Six European Countries
Anne ROGERS, University of Southampton, United Kingdom

The Growing ‘Blurred Lines' of Health Care Provision in the English NHS
Vid CALOVSKI, University of Kent, United Kingdom

Distributed Papers:

Social Responsibility and Hospitals: An Overview about Values, Programs and Networks of
Partnerships

Monica FREITAS, Faculty of Social Science, Nova University of Lisbon, Portugal;
Maria Joao SANTOS, High Institute of Economics and Management, University of Lisbon, Portugal;
Rui SANTOS, Faculty of Social Science and Humanities, Nova University of Lisbon, Portugal

Exploring a Public/Private Nexus of Health Care Provision: Ideas, Regulatory Frameworks, and Adaptability

Ryozo MATSUDA, Ritsumeikan University, Japan

Neoliberalism and Work Ethos: The Transformation of Primary Health Care in Turkey

Gulin KAYHAN, Waseda University, Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies, Japan

Welfare States and Health Care Systems: In Search for Solutions to Social Inequalities in Health

Thursday, 14 July 2016: 10:45-12:15
Location: Hörsaal I (Neues Institutsgebäude (NIG))

RC15 Sociology of Health (host committee)
RC19 Sociology of Poverty, Social Welfare and Social Policy

Session Organizers: Tuba AGARTAN, Providence College, USA and Claus WENDT, University of Siegen, Germany
Chair: Claus WENDT, University of Siegen, Germany

Oral Presentations:

Living Institutions: A Life-Course Approach to Evaluating Welfare-State Effects on Health Inequalities

Philipp HESSEL, Harvard University, USA;
Jason BECKFIELD, Harvard University, USA

Do Societal Ties Matter? the Role of Associational Participation in Shaping Health and Health Inequalities in Advanced Welfare States

Sigrun OLAFFSDOTTIR, Boston University, USA;
Emily BARMAN, Boston University, USA

Health Consequences of Losing Job in Europe. Do the Contexts Make the Difference?

Giulia TATTARINI, University of Trento, Italy;
Raffaele GROTTI, University of Trento, Italy;
Stefani SCHERER, University of Trento, Italy

Conditional and Universal Welfare Benefits in the UK: Social Framings of Entitlement and the Implications for Wellbeing and Inequalities in Health

Katie POWELL, University of Sheffield, USA;
Judy GREEN, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, United Kingdom;
Sarah MILTON, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, United Kingdom; Stefanie BUCKNER, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom; Sarah SALWAY, University of Sheffield, United Kingdom; Suzanne MOFFATT, Newcastle University, United Kingdom

Health Systems and Inequalities in the Southern European Countries
Mauro SERAPIONI, Centre for Social Studies, Portugal

Distributed Papers:

Neoliberalism and the Political and Economic Embedding of the Experience of Diabetes Chronic Illness Management in Bulgaria and the United Kingdom
Ivaylo VASSILEV, University of Southampton, United Kingdom; Anne ROGERS, University of Southampton, United Kingdom

Families and Health: An Emphasis on Same Sex Families

Thursday, 14 July 2016: 14:15-15:45
Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

Session Organizer: Justin DENNEY, Rice University, USA

Oral Presentations:

Stress and the Provision of Social Support in Gay, Lesbian, and Heterosexual Marriages
Debra UMBERSON, University of Texas at Austin, USA; Corinne RECZEK, Ohio State University, USA; Rhiannon KROEGER, Louisiana State University, USA; Rachel DONNELLY, University of Texas at Austin, USA; Brandon ROBINSON, University of Texas at Austin, USA

Does Sexual Orientation Complicate the Relationship Between Marital Status and Self-Rated Health?
Bridget GORMAN, Rice University, USA

Same-Sex Marriage, General Health, and Health-Risk Behaviors in the U.S.
Nicole CIVETTINI, Winona State University, USA

Navigating Personal Networks: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans Older People's Networks of Support Towards the End of Life
Kathryn ALMACK, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom

HOPE and Quality of Life of Aging People WHO Have a Relationship with Same Sex People in Brazil
Joao FERREIRA DA SILVA, Federal University of São Carlos, Brazil; Keika INOUYE, Federal University of São Carlos, Brazil; Sofia Cristina PAVARINI, Federal University of São Carlos, Brazil;
Distributed Papers:

Sociological Analysis of Maternal Healthcare in Madhya Pradesh India
*Fabiana de Souza ORLANDI*, Federal University of São Carlos, Brazil

*Ruth NENGNEILHING*, Women Studies and Research Centre, Rajiv Gandhi University, India;
*Saleem MIR*, Cluster Innovation Centre, India

Integrating Complementary and Alternative Medicine in Healthcare

Thursday, 14 July 2016: 16:00-17:30
Location: Hörsaal 32 (Main Building)

Session Organizers: Michael SAKS, University Campus Suffolk, United Kingdom, Nelson BARROS, Associated Professor, Brazil and Nicola GALE, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom
Chair: Nicola GALE, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

Oral Presentations:

*Simeng WANG*, Ecole Normale Superieure, France

The Positive Directions of the Complementary and Alternative Medicine Offer to the Managers of Primary Healthcare Services in Brazil
*Bianca RODRIGUES*, Unicamp, Brazil;
*Marcia Cristina OLIVEIRA*, Unicamp, Brazil;
*Edmundo GRABALLOS JR*, Unicamp, Brazil;
*Marlon BEISIEGEL*, Unicamp, Brazil;
*Nelson BARROS*, Associated Professor, Brazil

The ‘Localised’ Dimension of Professionalisation: A Comparative Analysis of Acupuncture and Homeopathy in the UK and Portugal
*Joana ALMEIDA*, School of Law, Criminology and Sociology, Royal Holloway, University of London, United Kingdom;
*Assaf GIVATI*, School of Health Sciences & Social Work, University of Portsmouth, United Kingdom

Medical Doctors Practicing CAM in Buenos Aires: Taking Advantage of Market Opportunities and Carving out Niches of Integration into the Health System
*Betina FREIDIN*, CONICET and University of Buenos Aires, Argentina

Consumption of Conventional and Non-Conventional Medicines in an Italian Province: Between Socio-Demographic Factors and Health Beliefs
*Linda LOMBI*, Catholic University of Sacred Heart, Italy;
*Davide GALESI*, University of Trento, Italy
The Institutionalization of Traditional East Asian Medicine in Three East Asian Countries
Jae-Mahn SHIM, University of Seoul, South Korea

Distributed Papers:

Integrating CAM in General Practice: A Case-Study on Homeopath Physicians
Jerome DEBONS, University of Fribourg, Switzerland

Cancer Patients Perceptions on CAM and Their Physical, Emotional, Social and Spiritual NEEDS
Pamela SIEGEL, State University of Campinas, Brazil;
Nelson BARROS, Associated Professor, Brazil

Acupuncture in Brazil - an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity under pressure
Daniela RISAFl DE PONTES, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg; Ebramec, Brazil
Research

In Austria, there are seven Universities with a department for sociology. However, none of these departments has, according to their websites, a research focus on medical and health sociology. In a few cases ‘health’ is integrated within broader research and teaching programmes. For example, the Institute of Sociology at the University of Vienna has a focus on ‘Family, generations, life course and health’.

Aside from sociological departments there are some public health research centres at the Medical Universities and extramural research institutes. These investigate health from a more interdisciplinary and applied perspective. One example is the ‘Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Medical and Health Sociology’ that was established in 1979. In 2008, the institute was newly founded as ‘Ludwig Boltzmann Institute Health Promotion Research’, focussing on health promotion in three organisational settings (schools, hospitals and long-term care) and two cross-cutting topics (Evaluation and User and Community Participation). In 2016, the institute was closed and partly integrated in other research institutes: ‘The Austrian Institute for Public Health’ which is closely linked to the Austrian Ministry of Health and the ‘Institute for Health Promotion and Prevention’ which is linked to the Federation of Austrian Social Insurance Institutions.

Studying medical and health sociology in Austria

In Austria, sociology can be studied at seven Universities. During their study, students can choose one or more foci where ‘health’ is a main topic. Apart from this, public health programmes are taught at medical universities (Master, PhD) and more practice orientated study programmes like health management are offered at Universities of Applied Science.

Organization of medical and health sociologists

The Austrian Society for Sociology is the interest group of sociologists in Austria (http://oegs.ac.at). Within this interest group there is a section for medical and health sociology. Moreover, health researchers are represented by the Austrian Society for Public Health (www.oegph.at) which hosts conferences and publishes newsletters at a regular basis.

Daniela Rojatz, PhD cand., University of Vienna & Researcher at Austrian Institute for Public Health

Dr Benjamin Marent, Research Fellow, University of Brighton
Background. The health workforce is central to the quality of service provision and overall health system performance. Across Europe, the increasing rates of chronic conditions and multi-morbidity, changes to service delivery structures, and provider shortages in certain specialities and regions or maldistribution have triggered changes to the composition of health workforces. A range of policy and governance options exist, yet, it is not always evident what works in what contexts and why. Moreover, the EU single market impacts directly on the tools of governance options that countries have at hand. It creates new forms of mobile health workers who are challenging country-based health workforce planning, education and governing models.

Overview and aims of the pre-conference. The pre-conference is organized by the EUPHA Health Services Research Working Group ‘Health Workforce Research’ and the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, in close collaboration with the OECD, and the WHO Regional Office for Europe. The sessions will present latest research in health workforce governance in Europe including a wide range of topics, data and policy measures at EU, national and local levels. The aims are to exchange knowledge, promote critical debate and identify gaps in research. On day 2, sessions connect research and policy issues to develop a proposal for an EU-wide future research agenda.

Policy relevance. The pre-conference comes at a time where strengthening health workforce governance as a core function of any health system has gained political momentum. The event will discuss governance options for Europe in light of recent policy
developments, including the global WHO Strategy on Human Resources for Health by 2030, the High-Level Commission on Health Employment and Economic Growth, policy strategies of the European Commission and of the OECD, as well as new research evidence from large EU-comparative projects and national data.

**Format.** The pre-conference will follow an interactive workshop format. Sessions are built around three key themes: (1) Policy, governance and organization of the health workforces, (2) health labour markets and professional development, and (3) health workforce planning and mobility. Each session starts with a short keynote to provide an overview (15 minutes) followed by invited rapid communications (5 minutes each) showcasing additional research findings or experiences, and closes with a facilitated discussion. Day 2 of the pre-conference focuses on developing a future research agenda; deliberations from facilitated working groups will feed into the concluding plenary discussion. For all sessions, participants are invited to actively contribute to the discussion. Two weeks prior to the EUPHA Conference, the keynote speakers will provide material (publication, power point presentation or outline), which will be circulated to the participants.

**Please visit the conference website for further information and registration, or email Ellen Kuhlmann for any queries** ([e.kuhlmann@em.uni-frankfurt.de](mailto:e.kuhlmann@em.uni-frankfurt.de))

In case you are looking for journal articles, please see below:


Pavolini E, Kuhlmann E. Health workforce development in Europe: a matrix for comparing trajectories of change in the professions. Health Policy, 2016; online first, [http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.healthpol.2016.03.002](http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.healthpol.2016.03.002)

Health Policy, 119(12), 1515-1654, Special Issue 'Health Workforce Governance in Europe', edited by E Kuhlmann, R Batenburg, G Dussault;

http://www.healthpolicyjrnl.com/issue/S0168-8510%2815%29X0012-1
International Journal of Health Governance (IJHG)

RC15 Colleagues are invited to submit papers to the International Journal of Health Governance (IJHG).

This journal has recently changed its name and aims to encompass a broader scope including policy and governance within government, healthcare systems or healthcare organizations. The journal was formerly published as Clinical Governance: An International Journal. It aims to deal with the academic, public and private sectors, and to present case studies, research papers, reviews and viewpoints that will increase our understanding of health governance that is both practical and feasible for practitioners, managers and policy makers.

Stephanie Short
Member, Editorial Advisory Board

A Special Issue of BMC Health Services Research, 16 Supplement 2:

Medicine and management in European public hospitals
https://bmchealthservres.biomedcentral.com/articles/supplements/volume-16-supplement-2

is now published, edited by Ian Kirkpatrick, Ellen Kuhlmann, Kathy Hartley, Mike Dent and Federico Lega. Comprising 10 articles, this Open Access Special Issue is related to a previous European Union FP7 COST action on ‘Medicine and Management’ where RC15 members have also contributed; for instance:

Kuhlmann E et al.

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FUTURE CHALLENGES
for health and healthcare in Europe

G. Giarelli, B. Jacobsen, M. Nielsen
and G. S. Reinbacher (eds.)

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The current climate of fiscal austerity poses significant challenges for the health of populations across Europe: and deteriorating social conditions make some groups of individuals especially vulnerable to illness and have the potential to exacerbate existing inequalities in health and in access to healthcare. These challenges are occurring alongside other significant trends: the health system reforms, which are shifting the emphasis of healthcare from public provision towards a public/private mix, the integration of health and social services, ‘nudging’ as a new approach to health promotion, the redefinition of the service user as a consumer, a growing emphasis on individual responsibility for health and lifestyles and on ‘biological citizenship’, the pharmaceuticalisation of everyday life, the increasing deterioration in the mental health of people in contemporary societies. The work of healthcare professionals is also undergoing significant changes, as their work comes under increased surveillance and monitoring, raising implications for the relations with patients, for the kind of care that is provided, and for the experience of patients.

In different ways, and based on different cases, all the chapters in this anthology deals with these challenges for health and healthcare in a European context on an individual level, such as individual views and behaviour, and on a societal level, which includes challenges with inequality, market forces and with local and global norms and traditions, addressing the challenge of achieving healthier citizens in healthier communities and societies now and in the future.

The chapters were presented during a conference organized on 1-2 November 2012 by the Department of Culture and Global Studies (The Research Group on Interdisciplinary Health Research, IHR) and the Department of Sociology and Social Work (The Research Group SAGA) at Aalborg University in Denmark in collaboration with the European Society for Health and Medical Sociology (ESHMS), the Research Committee 15 on Sociology of Health of the International Sociological Association (ISA), and the Research Network 16 on Sociology of Health and Illness of the European Sociological Association (ESA).
This wide-reaching handbook offers a new perspective on the sociology of health, illness and medicine by stressing the importance of social theory, and giving due attention to theorists often overlooked in the healthcare field including Harriet Martineau and Raewyn Connell, as well as more widely known theorists such as Michel Foucault and Max Weber.

Here for the first time is a compendium of both male and female social theorists from the turn of the 19th century to the present day. Within these chapters, leading international sociologists from Europe, America, Britain, Australia, New Zealand and Canada investigate the key concepts and theories of a single theorist, looking at the way their ideas such as medicalisation, reflexivity, capitalism, hegemonic masculinity, the biomedical model and social stigma can be used to understand specific health issues including men’s health, Indigenous health, disability, the health professions and chronic illness.

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For more information on the topics included, please visit www.palgrave.com


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Literature Review

A Global View on the Effects of Work on Health in Later Life

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Dear RC15 members,

Please join us for the social event on July 12 at 20h. In true Viennese fashion, we have organized a buffet at the local Heuriger Sissi Huber, where we will enjoy a delightful evening out on their lovely patio (weather permitting).

Buffet and drinks are free for RC15/RC52 members, but for planning purposes and because space is limited, we would request that you register here https://fr.surveymonkey.com/r/JSPC22L by July 11. You may also elect to pay for additional non-member guests (35 € for adults/20 € for children and non-member students attending the RC15/RC52 meeting) on this online form (payment will be accepted in cash at the event).

The Heuriger is easily accessible by public transportation, and we will organize departure times for those wishing to head out there from the university. These details will be sent to registered guests closer to the event.

We hope to see you there!

Best, Amélie Quesnel-Vallée, RC15 President
Membership Update as at June 2016

The ISA Research Committee 15 Sociology of Health has 167 members.

The RC15 Board comprises members from Australia, Canada, Germany, Italy, Japan, South Africa, UK & USA.

RC15 members come from around the globe: North America (Canada & United States); South America (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico & Peru); Africa (Burkina Faso, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa & Swaziland); Europe (Denmark, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine & United Kingdom); the Middle East (Iran & Turkey); Asia (India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand & Vietnam) and Oceania (Australia & New Zealand).

The more members we have the greater our resources to extend our research and scholarly activities, and the greater our opportunities to contribute to the ISA Conference Program in Toronto in 2018.

Membership with ISA extends for 4 years, for the calendar year, so I suggest each of us carry out a ‘membership drive’ to recruit new members to ISA and RC15 towards the end of this year in each of our respective countries.

Effectively the next membership period is 1 January 2017 - 31 December 2010.

With all good wishes,

And I look forward to seeing you in Vienna.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Short

Secretary-Treasurer ISA RC15