



EU Public Health Capacity - Policy workshop Brussels, 29 April 2011

Location: Brussels Campus of Maastricht University
Avenue de l'Armée / Legerlaan 10, 1040 Brussels

Time: Friday, 29 April, 9.30 – 15.30

The European Commission has contracted a consortium of organisations representing the major professional organisations in public health in Europe to review the current public health capacity in the EU and to make recommendations for EU action and support.

EuroHealthNet is part of the Consortium also formed by EUPHA, IUHPE, ASPHER, and EHMA, under the leadership of the Department of International Health of Maastricht University and with the support of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies.

The specific objectives of this one-year project undertaken in 2010-2011 are:

- To carry out a detailed review of the capacity of EU Member States to develop and implement public health policies and interventions;
- To identify gaps, needs and common issues;
- To identify a number of suggestions for action where EU support (including programmes and instruments in other policy areas) could provide assistance and added value to strengthen public health capacities.

Aims and participants of the workshop

EuroHealthNet has contributed in the principal aim of the workshop - to provide a platform for policy-makers and researchers from across the EU to review and discuss preliminary findings of the project. The findings of the workshop will feed back into the final report of the project. Particular attention will be paid to where public health capacity can be strengthened at national and EU level and where the EU could play a supporting role.

Workshop procedures

After a brief overview of the project approach and methods, the workshop will explore preliminary findings and the experience of EU member states in each of the public health capacity domains. For each domain, a short (max. 10 minutes) presentation on preliminary project findings will be given, to be followed by a plenary discussion, to which all participants are invited to contribute. Preliminary project findings will be made available to participants in advance of the workshop.

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Agenda

- 9.30 Arrival and registration of participants
- 9.45 Welcome and introductions
- 10.00 **Presentation of project approach and methods**
(Christoph Allutis, Maastricht University)
- 10.30 Coffee/tea break
- 10.45 **National context and policy environment**
- 11.15 **Organizational structures**
- 11.45 **Leadership and governance**
- 12.15 Lunch break
- 13.15 **Partnerships**
- 13.30 **Resources**
- 14.00 **Workforce**
- 14.30 **Knowledge development**
- 15.00 **Workshop conclusions and next steps**
- 15:30 Close