Creating Healthier Urban Areas through Effective Policy Making

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The workshop held on 19th September at the Committee of The regions is funded and organised by the EURO-URHIS 2 project and allows policy makers the opportunity to learn about the application of urban health indicator information in relation to effective policy making. During this workshop, instruction will be given on health impact assessment (HIA) and the use of aggregate measures of health (such as DALYs and Healthy Life Years) as tools that European policy makers of all levels can use to inform policy decision making.   Policy makers will have the opportunity to discuss the optimum use of such information with experts and colleagues from across Europe identifying barriers and enablers to using health data such as that provided by the EURO-URHIS 2 project.

The workshop is relevant to anyone who is involved in policy decision making, with an interest in health. The overall objectives of the workshop are:

- To promote and market EURO-URHIS2 to urban policy makers.

- To provide instruction in urban health impact assessment and discuss utility in relation to policy decision making.

- To provide instruction in the use of aggregate level health information and discuss utility in relation to policy decision making

- To explore barriers/ enablers to urban health impact assessment in policy decision making

- To explore barriers/ enablers to use of aggregate level health information in policy decision making

EURO-URHIS 2 aims to develop methodology and validated tools useful to policy makers at all levels to make health gains via evidence based policy decisions for urban populations. The objectives are to:

- Collect data at Urban Area level
- Provide tools for evidence based policy
- Develop methods for cross-sectional and longitudinal assessment for urban population health, including all relevant determinants of health
- Validate these tools and methods by using existing population-based registries and database
- Apply the tools in the field and ensuring they are easy and intuitive to use by policy makers

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