

Understanding EU decision-making for health improvement and for a meaningful engagement of public health actors

Members-only capacity-building study visit

Dates: 14:00 CET on Monday 2 September – 16:00 CET on Tuesday 3 September 2024

Venue: EuroHealthNet, Rue Royale 146, 1000 Bruxelles

Following the European Parliament Elections in June 2024, we aim to foster greater understanding of EU institutions and policies, their impacts on national and regional policies and to increase our readiness to engage with decision-makers.

Together, we want to ensure that our Partnership better understand EU policymaking in order to impact policies, further contribute to reducing social and health inequalities and help build a sustainable, fair, and inclusive Europe through healthier communities.

Through interactive sessions, a visit to the European Parliament, and various workshops, members will gain invaluable insights into navigating the EU landscape. In a role-play simulation in the European Parliament's visitor centre and other practical exercises, members will have the opportunity to get first-hand experiences of successful advocacy.

The capacity-building Study Visit will also be an opportunity for discussions with various EuroHealthNet members and to discover the city of Brussels.

Draft Agenda

Day 1 – Monday, 2 September 2024

13:00 Arrival & registration at EuroHealthNet office

13:15 Light lunch

14:00 Welcoming words and introductions

- **Caroline Costongs**, Director EuroHealthNet
- Tour de table, expectations and needs

14:15 All you need to know about the EU and how it works

- **Silvia Ganzerla**, Policy Manager EuroHealthNet
- **Sebastian Lindt**, Policy Assistant EuroHealthNet
- Q&A

15:15 Transfer to the European Parliament

15:45 Hemicycle tour in the European Parliament

- Exchange of views with a Member of the European Parliament (tbc after the European elections)

17:30 Guided tour through the EU district

- **Anne Wagenführ-Leroy**, Programme Manager EuroHealthNet

19:30 Dinner, location tbc

Day 2 – Tuesday, 3 September 2024

8:45 Meeting in front of [Parlamentarium](#), Place du Luxembourg 100, 1050 Brussels

9:15 Role play simulation on EU decision-making at the Parlamentarium

11:45 Return to the EuroHealthNet office

12:30 Light lunch

13:15 Advocacy and how to be successful with it? Experiences from the EU and national level

- External speaker from [The Good Lobby](#) or [Corporate Europe Observatory](#) (tbc)
- **Vania Putatti**, Policy Coordinator EuroHealthNet
- **Loes Neven**, Innovation Manager [Flanders Institute for Healthy Living](#)

14:15 Break

14:30 Framing and how it is important for your advocacy work

- **Samuele Tonello**, Research Coordinator EuroHealthNet

14:50 Practical exercise on framing

15:15 Conclusions and take-aways from participants and the host

- **Caroline Costongs**, Director EuroHealthNet

15:45 Closing words

16:00 End



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