

WELCOME to the first newsletter

of the Public Mental Health Section of the European Public Health Association in 2017

Looking back

| PRECONFERENCE ON MENTAL HEALTH AND ARCHITECTURE |

In 2016 at the annual EUPHA conference, PMH Section together with partner institutions - Emden University of Applied Sciences Emden/Leer (Germany) and Politecnico di Milano, Italy with the support of the EUPHA Sections on Urban Public Health and Environment already for the fourth year has organized a pre-conference on Environment and MENTAL HEALTH. The Preconference in Vienna aimed at strengthening the knowledge of Public Mental Health problems in the EU and building a network of health professionals on mental health and mental disorders from a public health perspective with architects and planners. More on the preconference: https://ephconference.eu/repository/conference/2016/Flyer_MENTAL_HEALTH_and_ARCHITECTURE_wed_9th_Nov16_-_DEF.pdf) We aim to further work on this topic and plan a pre-conference on Built Environment and Mental Health for the EUPHA – Conference in Stockholm, 2017.

Looking forward

In 2017 we will continue our joint efforts to strengthen Public Mental Health in Europe. We encourage potential presenters in the field of Public Mental Health to send proposals for abstracts to Jutta Lindert and to Marija Jakubauskiene until **April 15th**. This will allow us to work on workshops and propose these workshops to the EUPHA program committee. We will collect proposals and organize workshops based on your proposals. Please send your proposals and abstracts to

Jutta Lindert: Jutta.Lindert@hs-emden-leer.de

Marija Jakubauskiene: marija.jakubauskiene@mf.vu.lt

Before the EUPHA conference we are excited to invite you to the

| 3RD INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SUMMER SCHOOL 2017 |

The PMH Section together with EUPHA, Vilnius University, Emden University and Brussels University is organizing the **3rd International Public Mental Health Summer School 2017 on “CONTRIBUTING TO RESILIENCE BY BUILDING CAPACITIES IN PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH”** at Vilnius University (Lithuania). It is a 4-day intensive and interactive course aimed at researchers, practitioners, policy makers and everyone interested in public mental health issues. Participants of the summer school will be granted 3 ECTS points and Certificates of Attendance, related to the work done during and after the summer course. Attendance to the workshops is obligatory for the participants entitled to the certificates and 3 ECTS points.

ORGANIZERS: Public Mental Health Section of EUPHA |

DATE: June 26th – 29th, 2017

PLACE: Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania

AIMS: The summer school “Adversities, mental health and resilience” aims to develop knowledge and understanding on:

- the main concepts, principles and issues of public mental health
- adversities and resilience concepts
- adversities and resilience measurement
- research methods in public mental health epidemiology
- innovative methods in Public Mental health research.

The **International Public Mental Health Summer School 2017** will create opportunities to explore the state of the art of Public Mental Health knowledge, develop research skills and build interdisciplinary and intersectoral networks across Europe.

| ENROLLMENT TO THE COURSE: Admission may be granted to applicants who meet the following common admission criteria:

- The applicant to the course should hold at least undergraduate degree preferably in biomedical or social sciences.
- The Applicant shall submit an application form (1), university certified copy of diploma (2) and CV in English (3) by the application deadline to the email address marija.jakubauskiene@mf.vu.lt. Selection of candidates will be conducted by the International Scientific Committee if the Summer School.
- Application deadline for the **3rd International Public Mental Health Summer School 2017** summer course is **15 June, 2017**.

APPLICATION FEE: The application fee is 350 Euros. Reductions on application fees may be considered under the special request for participants from financially disadvantaged countries.

Early applications are encouraged as places are limited. For any questions regarding the 3rd International Public Mental Health Summer School 2017 please email: marija.jakubauskiene@mf.vu.lt

The **3rd International Public Mental Health Summer School 2017** will be followed by the

1st International Public Mental Health Conference in Vilnius, Lithuania on 30 June – 1 July, 2017. The program of this exciting event is attached.

These events will be followed by the EUPHA – Conference in Stockholm in November, November 1st – November 4th.

We are looking forward to your a) your abstracts to organize PMH related activities at the EUPHA conference in Stockholm(latest April 15), b) meeting you in Vilnius and b) meeting you in Stockholm.

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Dr. Marija Jakubauskiene
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