JAHEE at the 16th World Congress on Public Health 2020

With the World Congress on Public Health taking place in a few days, we would like to provide you with a short summary of our involvement and events. The event will be held online. For more information, visit https://wcph2020.com/

JAHEE’s World Leadership Dialogue ‘Combating the dual challenges of COVID-19 and health inequalities’ will take place on Friday 16 October at 11:00 – 12:00 CEST with the following speakers:

- H.E. Dr Lia Tadesse, Minister of Health of Ethiopia
- Sir Michael Marmot, Director of UCL Institute of Health Equity
- Prof. Orielle Solar, Coordinator at the Pan American Health Organization

The discussion will be introduced and moderated by Prof. Silvio Brusaferro, President of ISS and concluded by Caroline Costongs, Director of EuroHealthNet.

WP9/WP6 workshop ‘Implementing local health equity policies in Europe – Needs, governance and tools’ will be held on Tuesday 13th of October at 9:45-10:45 CEST. The workshop will be chaired by Tuulia Rotko and Christina Plantz and the following topics will be discussed:

- Needs-based decision-making for municipal health promotion – an analysis across 13 European countries, Eike Quilling - Germany
- Participation, equity and health policies at the local level: tools for their implementation, Rosana Peiro Perez - Spain
- A diabetes focused inter-sectoral approach to a more equal and healthy living environment in Turin, Giuseppe Costa - Italy
- Theory to practice: How the City of Utrecht develops a Health and Equity in all Policies approach, Miriam Weber - Netherlands
- A health equity focused National Prevention Plan 2020-2025 and related capacity building, Benedetta Mattioli – Italy

WP5 Workshop ‘Advancing health inequality monitoring in Europe – challenges, opportunities and actions’ will be held on Friday 16th of October at 12:15 CEST. The workshop aims at presenting the experiences from JAHEE WP5 and at giving examples of concrete actions and initiatives taken across
Europe to challenge some of the barriers faced and to strengthen the national health inequality monitoring processes in Europe. There will be 5 presentations:

- Joint Action Health Equity Europe - turning knowledge on health inequality monitoring into actions, Gabriella Olsson
- Developing a strategic plan for sustainable health inequality monitoring – the basic step towards tackling health inequalities in long run, Tina Lesnik
- Monitoring health inequalities in Barcelona, Carme Borrell
- Towards a national health equity monitoring strategy, Giuseppe Costa
- Health inequality monitoring - measuring what and how, exactly?, Göran Henriksson

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**Recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic and ensuring health equity: the role of the European Semester**

The interview sessions for the JAHEE-EuroHealthNet joint analysis of how the COVID-19 equity impact and the role of the European Semester have been finalised. In total, insights from 7 countries (Finland, Ireland, Italy, Greece, Romania, Slovenia, Spain) and 13 institutions have been gathered from the JAHEE’s partnership and EuroHealthNet’s membership. After a preliminary assessment of the interviews, it is possible to observe the presence of specific national issues, as well as common challenges shared across Europe. These shared challenges include the need for better data and monitoring systems, the fast pace of the digital transformation of services and the digital divide, the displacement of care and intervention, and more. The results of our analysis will be presented in our final report at the beginning of November.

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