

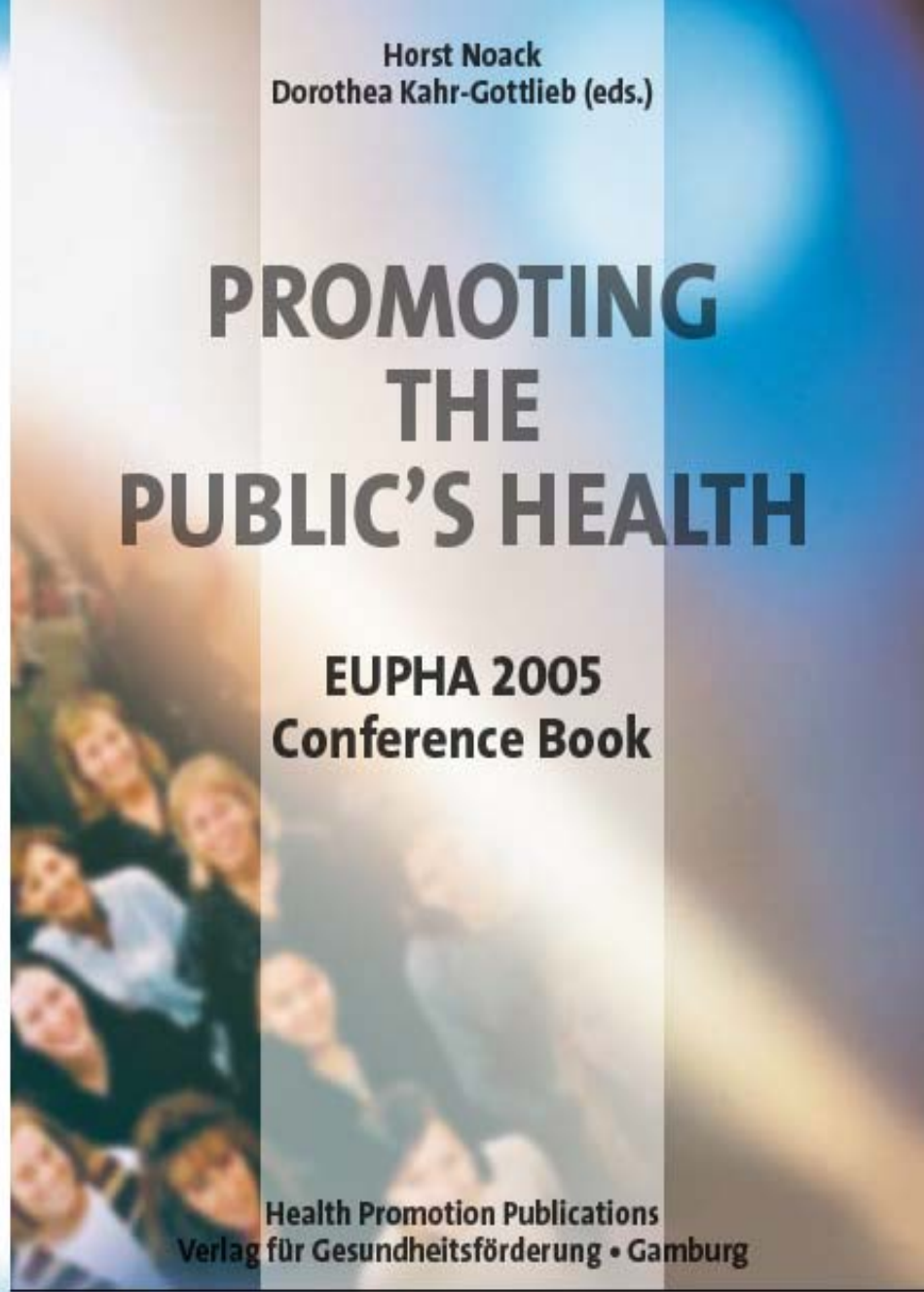
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The conference book highlights the outcomes of the 2005 EUPHA conference held in November 2005 in Graz, which attracted 900 public health researchers, policy experts and practitioners from all continents. It addresses three broad questions:

- Are the determinants of population health a major issue of research, practice and policies in European public health?
- What efforts have been taken to build adequate public health capacities?
- Is population health a reasonable aim of public health policy?

The European public health community seems to share a reasonably strong value and knowledge base related to the determinants of public health which, however, varies markedly between countries.

Yet, in most countries there is a serious need to invest in capacity building in order to develop sustained public health infrastructures and appropriate problem-solving capacities.

The book shows that European countries need to move towards a comprehensive health policy if they aim at a more equitable social distribution of health opportunities, a better balance of health promotion, disease prevention and curative care – and ultimately a healthier population.

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