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**1st MEETING OF THE FORUM FOR PUBLIC HEALTH
IN SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE (FPH-SEE)**

**ZAGREB CROATIA
APRIL 8-10, 2006**

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MISSION

The German Ministry of Foreign Affairs supported over a period of more than 5 years training, research and practice of public health through funds administrated by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) in the framework of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe (SEE).

The meeting is convened in order to summarize the experience and the results in the project on Public Health Collaboration in South Eastern Europe (PH-SEE) 2000-2006 (www.snz.hr/ph-see) and to elaborate the transformation of this project into a

FORUM FOR PUBLIC HEALTH IN SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE (FPH-SEE)

as agreed in a meeting of representatives of the schools and associations of public health in the countries of South Eastern Europe in Podgorica, Montenegro, December 9-10, 2005.

PROGRAMME

- 08.04.06** **Saturday**
19.00 **Get-together at the restaurant Kod Zaca**
- 09.04.06** **Sunday**
09.30 **Opening by the Minister of Health of Croatia,
Doc. Dr.sc. Neven Ljubicic
Welcomes**
10.00 **Review of the experience and the results of the
PH-SEE project (Luka Kovacic, Ulrich Laaser)**
11.00 **Conclusions of the meeting in Podgorica,
December 2005 (Ulrich Laaser)**
- 11.30** *Coffee break*
- 11.30** **Session I
Options for Regional Journals**
1) The Croatia Medical Journal (Ana Marusic)
2) Materia Sociomedica (Izet Masic)
**3) The Journal of Public Health and Management
(Mariana Dyakova)**
4) Medicinskih Komunikcija (Jasminka Vuckovic)
**5) The Federation' s Pages in the Journal of Public
Health Policy and a comprehensive website linkage
(Ulrich Laaser, WFPHA)**
- 13.00** *Lunch break*
- 14.00** **Session II
Options for a Common Regional Infrastructure**
1) The draft statutes of FPH-SEE (Ulrich Laaser)
2) The office in Podgorica (Boban Mugosa)
**3) The FPH-SEE Task Force as a managing board
Zvonko Susic)**

- 15.30** *Coffee break*
- 16.00** **Session III**
Options for Regular Conferences in Cooperation with EUPHA and other International Public Health Organisations and Donors
- 1) **Meetings in the context of the EUPHA conferences (Joke van Wageningen, EUPHA)**
 - 2) **Options for regional meetings organized with the help of the office in Podgorica (Slobodanka Krivokapic)**
 - 3) **Perspectives for the collaboration with donors: DAAD, OSI, CPHA/CIDA, WHO, CEC**
- 17.30** **Open end discussion**
- 20.00** *Festive Dinner*
Restaurant: Paviljon, Trg Kralja Tomislava 22

10.04.06

Monday
09.00

- Session IV**
Programme of work for FPH-SEE 2006/7
- 1) **Harmonisation of study programmes in public health in the Bologna Process (Jadranka Bozikov)**
 - 2) **Accreditation standards for South Eastern Europe (Ulrich Laaser)**
 - 3) **Meeting of the Deans of Schools of Public Health in Dresden end of 2006 (Vesna Bjegovic)**
 - 4) **The student conferences in public health (Jovanka Bislimovska)**
 - 5) **The summer school on the scientific basis of public health in Sarrenda, southern Albania (Bajram Hysa)**
 - 6) **Offers for the next conference of the FPH-SEE**

10.30 *Coffee break*

11.00 **Session V**
A Regional Strategy of Public Health
(Adriana Galan)

12.30 **Conclusions and recommendations (Luka Kovacic, Ulrich Laaser)**

ATTACHMENTS

A) CONCLUSIONS OF THE MEETING IN PODGORICA

- 1) The national Associations of Public Health and related NGO's respectively form together with the Schools of Public Health and the National Institutes of Public Health as well as with related institutions the FORUM FOR PUBLIC HEALTH IN SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE.
- 2) The FORUM will act as a Section within the EUPHA framework.
- 3) The FORUM organizes (scientific) conferences for all public health professionals in SEE annually or biannually in combination with national conferences following a scheme of rotation. The first conference of the FORUM will take place in Zagreb April 9 and 10, 2006
- 4) The FORUM will organize (operational) satellite meetings in the framework of the EUPHA Conferences
- 5) The FORUM edits a "Journal of Public Health of South Eastern Europe" (so named!) with scientific contributions and a section for News & Notes.
- 6) The Ministry of Health of Montenegro provides a secretariat for the FORUM in the Institute of Health of Montenegro.
- 7) A preliminary TASK FORCE* with one member of each country in SEE (without formalization) will draft minimal statutes for the FORUM, propose a suitable JOURNAL and provide an outline for the CONFERENCE. The TF will set its own timelines.

* Members of the TASK FORCE are:

Albania (Bajram Hysa)
Bosnia & Herzegovina (Jasminka Vuckovic, Izet Masic)
Bulgaria (Mariana Dyakova)
Croatia (Zvonko Susic)
Macedonia (Marika Karanfilova, Mihail Kochubovski)
Montenegro (Boban Mugosa)
Romania (Adriana Galan)
Serbia (Zorica Dimitrijevic)
Slovenia (Tit Albreht)
EUPHA (Joke van Wageningen)
S-IPH (Ulrich Laaser)

B) DRAFT FPH-SEE STATUTES

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Memorandum of Understanding on the Establishment of the *FORUM FOR PUBLIC HEALTH IN SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE* (*FPH-SEE*)

The Forum of Public Health in South Eastern Europe (FPH-SEE) constitutes a section of the European Public Health Association (EUPHA). It is organised as a *non-governmental* and *non-profit* consortium of public health institutions in the South Eastern European Region (SEE) aiming at exchange of experience, mutual support and common activities for a New Public Health.

Mission

FPH-SEE is an open arena set to enhance the quality of training and research for the practice of public health in South Eastern Europe.

Objectives

- 1) To develop up to date teaching materials for the health sciences online and in print-versions with a focus on specific problems and experience in South Eastern Europe
- 2) To determine and analyse in a comparative way suitable health indicators for South Eastern Europe
- 3) To support the institution building for public health, especially with regard to Schools of Public Health and Public Health Associations
- 4) To organise professional meetings, workshops and conferences in the South Eastern European Region
- 5) To publish a common section in suitable journals which appear regularly in South Eastern Europe

- 6) To execute and publish together public health research in the South Eastern European Region
- 7) To outline scenarios for health policy options comprising all relevant issues of the New Public Health and to develop corresponding strategies

Membership

The FPH-SEE consortium comprises member institutions with a mission in the field of public health from all countries in South Eastern Europe, especially Schools of Public Health, Public Health Associations and National Institutes of Public Health. New members are accepted by a majority vote of all members in good standing (if necessary by written agreement of absent members). The founding members are:

- 1) Public Health Associations:

- Albanian Forum of Public Health
- National Association for Health Policy and Management in Bulgaria
- Public Health Association of Croatia
- Public Health Association of Macedonia
- Public Health Association of Romania
- Public Health Association of Serbia

- 2) Schools of Public Health (incl. MPH programmes):

- Centre- School of Public Health, Belgrade
- School of Public Health, Chisinau (invited)
- School of Public Health, Skopje
- Faculty of Public Health, Sofia
- Faculty of Medicine and National Institute of Public Health, Tirana
- Faculty of Public Health, Varna
- Andrija Stampar School of Public Health, Zagreb

- 2) Departments of Social Medicine:

- Faculty of Medicine, Ljubljana

Faculty of Medicine, University of Novi Sad

- 3) National Institutes of Public Health:
- Institute of Public Health, Bucharest
 - Institute of Health, Podgorica
 - Public Health Institute, Sarajevo
 - Public Health Institute, Ljubljana

Management

The activities of the FPH-SEE are coordinated by a Committee which is nominated ad personam by majority vote of all members (if necessary by written agreement of absent members). The Committee should comprise between 5 and 7 members and has a mandate for a 2-years-period. The Committee elects a chairperson by consensus and works with the support of a secretariate in Podgorica. Decisions are made if possible by consensus, otherwise by majority vote of all Committee members (if necessary by written agreement of absent members).

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