

Speaker Biographies

Webinar

Health in All Policies: An Approach for a Healthy Future

Friday, November 29, 2024

2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. CET

Presenters



Charlotte Marchandise

Executive Director of the European Public Health Association (EUPHA) and the EPH Conference

With over two decades of dedication to the associative world, from capacity building to advocacy, she has contributed to public health policy and practice. From 2014 to 2020, Marchandise was the elected Deputy Mayor of Rennes for Health, and President of the French WHO Healthy Cities Network and political Chair of the European Network, where she promoted healthier environments through innovative and sustainable public health strategies. She also worked as consultant to the WHO in fostering intersectoral collaborations for enhanced health equity and evidence-based decisions, and the integration of patients and communities in the WHO Academy training program design.



Horacio Arruda

Assistant Deputy Minister for the Québec Ministry of Health and Social Services
Chairman of the Global Network for Health in All Policies (GNHiAP)

Dr. Arruda is a medical specialist in public health and preventive medicine. For many years, he focused on field epidemiology as well as prevention and control of infectious diseases. From 2012 to 2022, he served as the National Director of Public Health at the Québec Department of Health and Social Services. He was a leader in the fields of infectious and

communicable diseases, nosocomial infections, occupational and environmental health, emergency measures, as well as health promotion and prevention.

It also was under his leadership that the first Governmental Health Prevention Policy – 2015-2025 (PGPS) was launched. This policy and its resulting action plan were the first of their kind in North America in the field of preventive medicine. It was designed as a global governmental approach for stakeholders to include prevention in all decision making. Since June 2022, Dr Arruda has served as the ambassador of the PGPS.

Dr. Arruda also contributes to making Québec shine internationally. Notably, he is President of the Global Network for Health in All Policies (GNHiAP), created at the 70th WHO Annual Assembly in May 2017.

Dr. Arruda is also helping to burnish Québec’s reputation internationally. He is Chairperson of the Global Network for Health in All Policies (GNHiAP), created at the 70th World Health Assembly in May 2017. The Province of Québec participated in the first GNHiAP meeting alongside eight countries. At Dr. Arruda’s initiative, Québec became a member of the network’s steering committee.



Nicole Valentine

Technical Officer & Programme Lead
Equity/Social Determinants of Health
World Health Organization (WHO)

Dr. Valentine has over 25 years of experience working in public health. She currently leads the multi-country WHO Special Initiative for Action on the Social Determinants of Health for Advancing Health Equity, run from the Equity and Health Unit in the Department of Social Determinants of Health, WHO Geneva. She is the WHO focal point for guidance on the Health in All Policies approach and has worked extensively on training and evidence reviews. She has authored over 25 peer-reviewed publications and produced more than 25 WHO publications covering health systems performance, intersectoral action, monitoring, equity, and social determinants of health. She served in the global WHO Commission on Social Determinants of Health (2005-2008), where she co-led the country action work stream. She holds Bachelor’s and Master’s (Economics) degrees from the University of Cape Town, a Master of Public Health from the University of Washington, Seattle, and a PhD in Public Health from the Erasmus Medical Centre, The Netherlands.



Timo Ståhl

Team leader
Health and Welfare Management Unit
Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

Timo Ståhl is an internationally well-known expert in health promotion and Health in All Policies. He currently works as a team leader for Knowledge base for health and welfare management unit at the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare. He has engaged with HiAP at municipal level, especially on monitoring and enhancing incentives for health promotion and HiAP. He worked in WHO before the 8th Global Conference on Health Promotion held in Helsinki 2013. Timo is an adjunct professor at Tampere University and associated with our centre.



Peter Beznec

Director of the Center for Health and Development Murska Sobota
PhD candidate in Health Sciences at the Angela Boškin
Faculty of Health Care, Slovenia

Peter is an experienced project manager since 2002 and Director of the Centre for Health and Development Murska Sobota since 2014. Among his many areas of expertise, his coordination and leadership skills have been demonstrated in several health and development projects with the WHO. He also has an extensive experience in international projects, including his collaboration as a part of an expert consultation group for the information paper on Policies to Address Social Determinants of Health. He is also a member of the WHO Regions for Health Network Steering Group approaches to health and development.



Lauri Kokkinen

Research Director at Tampere University in Finland

Lauri has extensive experience in Health in All Policies (HiAP) at both national and local levels, including serving on the Finnish inter-ministerial Advisory Board for Public Health. Lauri co-directs the WHO Collaborating Centre on Health in All Policies and the Social Determinants of Health at Tampere University. His theoretical expertise focuses on the institutional foundations of population health and wellbeing, making him an institutionalist. Methodologically, he employs a diverse range of approaches, often utilizing data from registers, questionnaires, interviews, and documents in his research.

Q&A Facilitator



Julian Fisher

Director of German registered non-governmental organization Zero Water Day Partnership (ZWDP)

Julian is Director of German registered non-governmental organization Zero Water Day Partnership (ZWDP) which is a member of the UN Mountain Partnership. ZWDP is a co-sponsor of the Children's Call to Action to protect mountain areas from the impact of climate change and is lead organization for the 'Saving the World's Water Towers' campaign. ZWDP is cooperation partner with the International Federation of Mountain Guides Associations supporting policy work on sustainable mountain tourism and guiding with a focus on health equity. ZWDP has hosted side events at UN Water Conference 2023 and COP Climate Conferences. Julian's work experience covers a diverse range of professional domains including international public health policy and advocacy (consultancies for UN agencies including WHO, UNESCO & UNEP), health profession(federation) management, health workforce undergraduate and postgraduate education, as well as primary and secondary school education. Julian is co-editor of the WHO publication Integrating the social determinants of health into health workforce education and training. He holds international HiAP &SDH summer schools at universities around the world.