



Health Programme

2008-2013

Together for Health



Work Plan 2008: priorities
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Health Plan 2008

Issues of strategic importance

- Improve the health of European citizens, as measured by indicators (Health Life Years)
- Reduce health inequalities in and between EU MS and regions
- Building capacity for development and implementation of effective public health policies
- Involvement of new (non-traditional) actors for health, at regional, local level and across participating countries

PHEA mandate

- **Implement the EU Public Health Programme**
 - the award of grants and contracts
- **Disseminate know-how and best practices**
 - Feed back projects results
 - Organise technical meetings
- **Foster exchange and co-ordination between all players involved**
- **Contribute to improve the PH programme**

PHEA and Commission (SANCO)

Distinct Responsibilities

Commission (DG SANCO)

- Set priorities in annual Public Health work programmes
- Liaise with Member States

PHEA

- Launch calls for proposals and tenders
- Manage projects
- Improve efficiency of management and dissemination

but close collaboration

- Steering committee meetings
- Regular «liaison meetings »
- Regular meetings at technical level
- Participation in evaluation committee

The 2008 Call

- First Call of New Health Programme
- 2008 budget for calls: 47,8M€
 - 28,5M€ (Projects) + 9,3 M€ (Tenders)
 - 2,3M€ (Joint actions) + 2,3M€ (Operating grants)
 - 0,7M€ (Conferences)
- New financial mechanisms:
 - Operating grants
 - Conference grants
 - Joint actions
- Changed rules for co-financing 60:40



Public Health Executive Agency - Call for Proposals 2008 - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Call for Proposals 2008

New financial mechanisms and funding opportunities in 2008

To ensure appropriate participation in the [Second Programme of Community action in the field of Health \(2008-13\)](#) and fulfilment of all the programme objectives, a wider variety of financing mechanisms are offered.

Both the Programme and its [Work Plan for 2008](#) foresee financial contributions for specific actions ('grants for an action') and support to the functioning of particular bodies or specialized networks ('operating grants'). The actions may include typical projects but also the organisation of conferences.

The financial contributions may, where appropriate, include joint financing by the Community and one or more Member states or by the Community and the competent authorities of other participating countries.

Therefore, the 2008 financing mechanisms include:

- [cofinancing of projects intended to achieve a Programme objective \(call for project proposals\)](#)
- [cofinancing of the operating costs of non-governmental organisations or specialised networks \(operating grants\)](#)

What's New

- > **Second Infoday in Luxembourg**
- > Commission adopts Work Plan 2008
- > Calls 2008 announced
- > Recruitment of public health experts
- > Health Programme 2008-2013 published

Special Topics

- > Projects abstracts
- > List of currently funded projects

Documents

- > Booklet: Health Programme

Local intranet

<http://ec.europa.eu/phea>

The call on Internet

Documents on PHEA web page:

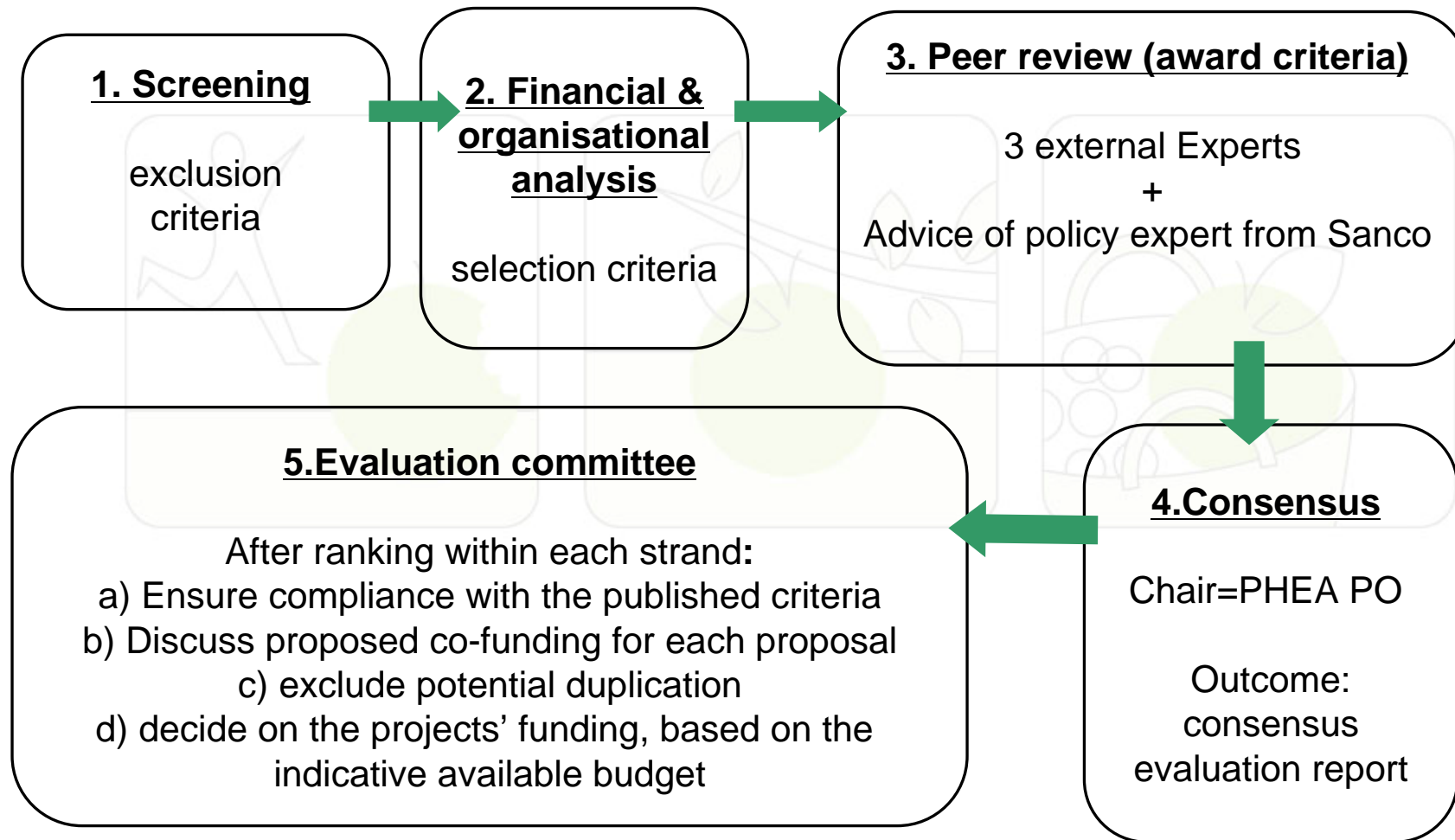
- text of the call, WP 2008, general principles & evaluation criteria
- application form, guide for applicants, model grant agreement
- legal framework: PH programme, financial regulation, implementing rules

The General principles of the call

- **Co –financing rule**
- **Non - profit rule**
- **No –retroactivity rule**
- **No- cumulation**



Evaluation of Proposals



New evaluation criteria 2007

Criteria for the selection and funding of actions under the programme (grants for projects)

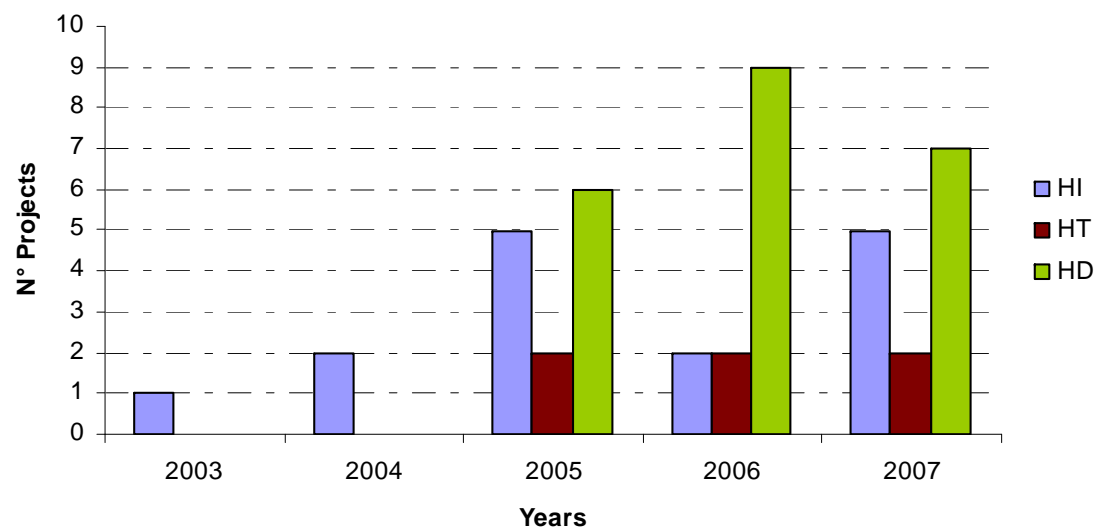
A Technical quality of the project	B Management quality of the project	C Policy and contextual relevance of the project
<p>1. Scope e.g., indication of type of project</p> <p>2. Evidence base</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of health problem and its impact (on quality of life/society) • Analysis of factors underlying the problem • Evidence of effectiveness of measures proposed • Evidence of applicability in proposed context <p>3. Specification of the project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aims and objective specification • Target group specification incl. geographical factors • Method specification • Anticipated effects / outcomes <p>4. Innovative nature of the project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of state of the art • Progress in relation to current situation • Complementary with existing actions <p>5. Evaluation strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequacy of evaluation methodology • Quality of evaluation methodology • Quality of evaluation indicators <p>6. Dissemination strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequacy of envisaged dissemination strategy • Adequacy of methodology to ensure transferability and sustainability 	<p>1. Planning and organisation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of activities to be undertaken • Specification of a timetable with milestones • Indication of deliverables • Description of different horizontal and vertical tasks • Realistic timeframe • Risk analysis <p>2. Organisational capacity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competency of staff • Leadership and authority • Internal communication and decision making • Monitoring and supervision <p>3. Quality of partnership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensiveness of partnership • Common goals and objectives • Synergy and commitment • Network Structure <p>4. Communication strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of a communication plan • Identification of target group for communication • Adequacy of communication channels • (Visibility of Co-funding) <p>5. Financial management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall budget • Detailed budget 	<p>1. Contribution to the PH Programme and Annual work plan</p> <p>2. Strategic relevance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expected contribution to existing knowledge • Expected contribution to relevant EU policies • Expected contribution to health status • Reproducibility, transferability and sustainability of actions <p>3. EU added value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the project fit in the existing EU policy • Does the project address an issue that otherwise would not have been addressed by the Member States <p>4. Geographical coverage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of countries in relation with the scope and partners distribution <p>5. Adequacy of the project with social, cultural and policy context in which it will be implemented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compatibility of envisaged actions with culture and views of target group

2007 Call for Proposals: Evaluation of Proposals

	Number of proposals				Co-funding requested (million €)		
	Received	Evaluated	Recommended for co-funding	On reserve-list	Accepted	Reserve list	Total
HI	93 (-28)	88 (-24)	23 (+1)	8(-11)	14,15 (+0,19)	3,709 (-5,28)	17,86 (-5,09)
HT	17 (-1)	16 (=)	11 (-1)	0 (=)	9,13 (+1,69)	0,00	9,13 (+1,69)
HD	112 (-30)	111 (-9)	29 (-2)	3 (-21)	14,29 (-3,30)	0,814 (-8,45)	15,12 (-11,72)
TOTAL	222 (-59)	215 (-33)	63 (-3)	11 (-30)	37,58 (-1,40)	4,523 (-13,73)	42,01(-15,22)

RESULTS PHP 2003-2008 - Portugal 2007

- Main partner: 1/5(20%)
 - 5 evaluated &
 - 1 recommended for funding:
- Associated partners
14/ 222 (6.31%)
recommended
for funding





RESULTS Portugal 2003-2004

2003

2003130 "Assessing the usefulness of a comprehensive set of reproductive health indicators designed for the enlarged European Union, with particular emphasis on the reproductive health of adolescents and young adult (Phase 2) - "Associação para a Investigação e Desenvolvimento da Faculdade de Medicina de Lisboa"

2004

790668 European Network for Rare and Congenital Anaemias,
790580 Hospital (Activity) Data Project 2,



RESULTS Portugal 2005

- 790609**, European Collaboration on Dementia
- 790610** European Core Indicators in Diabetes mellitus,
- 790676** EU Global Oral Health Indicators Development Phase II
- 790800** EU Health -Wealth: Impact assessments in improving
- 790642** Indicators for monitoring COPD and asthma in the EU
- 790589** Development and dissemination of a school antibiotic and hygiene
- 790635** European Training Program on Organ Donation
- 790537** European Alliance Against Depression II
- 790574** EU Network for Action on Ageing and Physical Actitivity
- 790679** "SHAPE UP: Towards a European School Network to impact the determinants of child obesity at the community level"

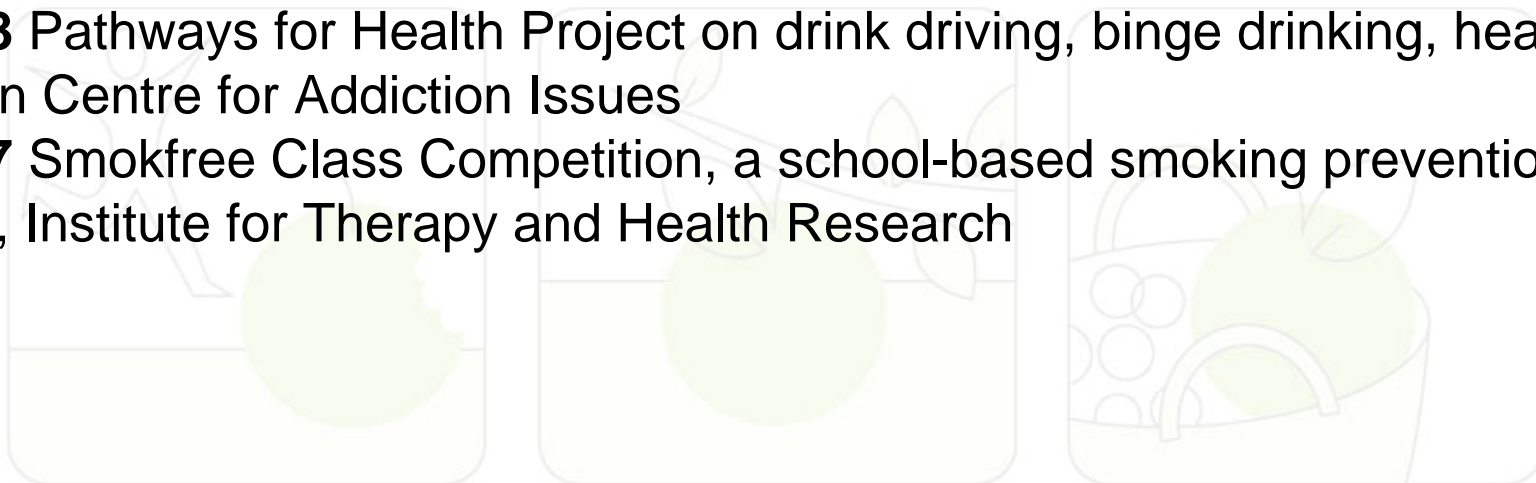


RESULTS Portugal 2005

790722 General Practitioners and Economics Smoking Cessation in Europe, TABAC ET LIBERTÉ (FR)

790738 Pathways for Health Project on drink driving, binge drinking, health, German Centre for Addiction Issues

790617 Smokfree Class Competition, a school-based smoking prevention project, Institute for Therapy and Health Research





RESULTS Portugal 2006

800049 Health and Migrations in the European Union, Instituto Nacional de Saúde Dr Ricardo Jorge

800239 European Heart Health Strategy

800121 Information network on good practice in health care for migrants and minorities,

800185"Reducing harm and building capacities for children affected by parental alcohol problems in Europe,,

800197 Best Practice in Promoting Mental Health in Socially Marginalized People in Europe",

800069"Development & Implementation of a European Guideline and training standards for Diabetes Prevention,,

800200 European Register on Cushing's Syndrome

800230 Rare Diseases Portal



RESULTS Portugal 2006

800085 "Integrated Decision Support System for HEALTH THREATS and crises management

800242 EUROPEAN LIVING DONATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH,

800065 Joint projects for the Development of Guide Exercises Programmes

800153 Smokefree Class Competition, a school-based smoking prevention project



RESULTS Portugal 2007

100987 The State of Reproductive Health and Fertility in the European Union," Associação para Investigação e Desenvolvimento da Faculdade de Medicina de Lisboa “

100861 European Union Network for Patient Safety

100929 Elder Abuse: A multinational prevalence survey

100933 "Better Statistics for Better Health for Pregnant Women and Their Babies: European Health Reports“

100914 Expansion and update of existing nutrition monitoring systems

100915 European monitoring of excess mortality for public health action



RESULTS Portugal 2007

100952 Promotion of vegetable and fruit consumption of school children

101009 HEalth & ROad safety : volunteering heroes

101032 Democracy, Cities & Drugs II

101055 "Evaluation of the impact of smoke-free policies in Member States on exposure to second-hand smoke and tobacco consumption"

101078 "Promotion of healthy mobility behaviour throughout the entire life time using a life long approach on cycling"



Call expression of interest for external experts

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window displaying the PHEA website. The address bar shows the URL http://ec.europa.eu/phea/phea_ami/. The page content includes the European Commission logo, the PHEA logo, and the title "Experts for the second programme of Community action in the field of health (2008-2013) Call for Expression of Interest". The page is divided into sections: "Introduction", "Membership" (with links for Login, Register, and Forgot password?), and a footer with copyright information. A maintenance notice is also present: "(The website will be unavailable on Thursday, February 28th, from 19:00 to 21:00 for technical maintenance.)". The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows several open applications, including Microsoft Office, tampep- health pro..., projects overview.xls, Public Health Execu..., PHEA - Call for Ex..., 1- GHSAG Working ..., and HP Software Update. The system tray shows the date and time as 16:32.

http://ec.europa.eu/phea/phea_ami/



Projects

Time table for project proposals

Task	February 2008				March 2008				April 2008				May 2008				June 2008				July 2008				
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1. Call Publication				2 9 / 2																					
INFO DAY - LUXEMBOURG					1 2 / 3																				
3. Proposals submission (29/2 - 23/5)																2 3 / 5									
4. Peer review evaluation																		9- 20/6							
5. Evaluation Committee																						3 - 4 / 7			
6. Programme Committee																							22		2 1 - 2 5 / 7



Work Plan 2008: priorities

- Improving health of European citizens, measurable by appropriate indicators
- Reducing health inequalities in and between EU MS and regions
- Building capacity for development and implementation of effective PH policies
- Involvement of new (non traditional) actors for health, both at regional or local level and across participating countries

Proposals which meet the above mentioned criteria can be considered of exceptional utility

Improve citizens' health security

priorities 2008

- Protect citizens against health threats
- Improve citizens' safety



Policy area	Expected projects	Method(s) of financing
Priorities of the Health Security Committee	Member States to identify "national reference laboratories" for biologicals, chemicals and radioactive devices, and share capabilities and capacities of "reference laboratories"	Call for proposals
Preparedness	Diffusion to EU Member States of key actions identified within the Global Health Security Initiative	Call for proposals
Capacity building	Sharing facilities and equipment - mutualising of logistics, structures, informatics, technology, tools, capacities, expertise in particular for chemical and radio nuclear detection and protection	Joint action
Prevention of health threats	Develop prevention against existing or emerging health threats focusing on modelling measures	Call for proposals
Vaccination policy	Support for projects with the aim to facilitate the development of risk management and policy initiatives	Call for proposals

Priorities of the Health Security Committee

Expected projects:

- Member States to identify "national reference laboratories" for biologicals, chemicals and radioactive devices, and share capabilities and capacities of "reference laboratories"

Political background:

- Final objective:
- All Member State have minimum lab capacity
- Lab services necessary beyond this minimum capacity will be provided to all MS by either sharing of resources with other MS, or by establishing EU reference labs

Policy area: Preparedness

Expected projects:

- Diffusion to EU Member States of key actions identified within the Global Health Security Initiative.

Political background:

- The Global Health Security Initiative (GHSI) consists of the G7 countries + Mexico, and works together on bioterrorism and global public health threats like influenza.
- Results of the work of GHSI should be made available to all EU MS.

Policy area: Prevention of health threats

Expected projects:

- Develop prevention against existing or emerging health threats focusing on modelling measures

Political background:

- The Health Security Committee has identified modelling as important gap among the instruments for risk management.

Policy area: Capacity building

Expected project (**joint action!**):

- **Sharing facilities and equipment** - mutualising of logistics, structures, informatics, technology, tools, capacities, expertise in particular for chemical and radio nuclear detection and protection

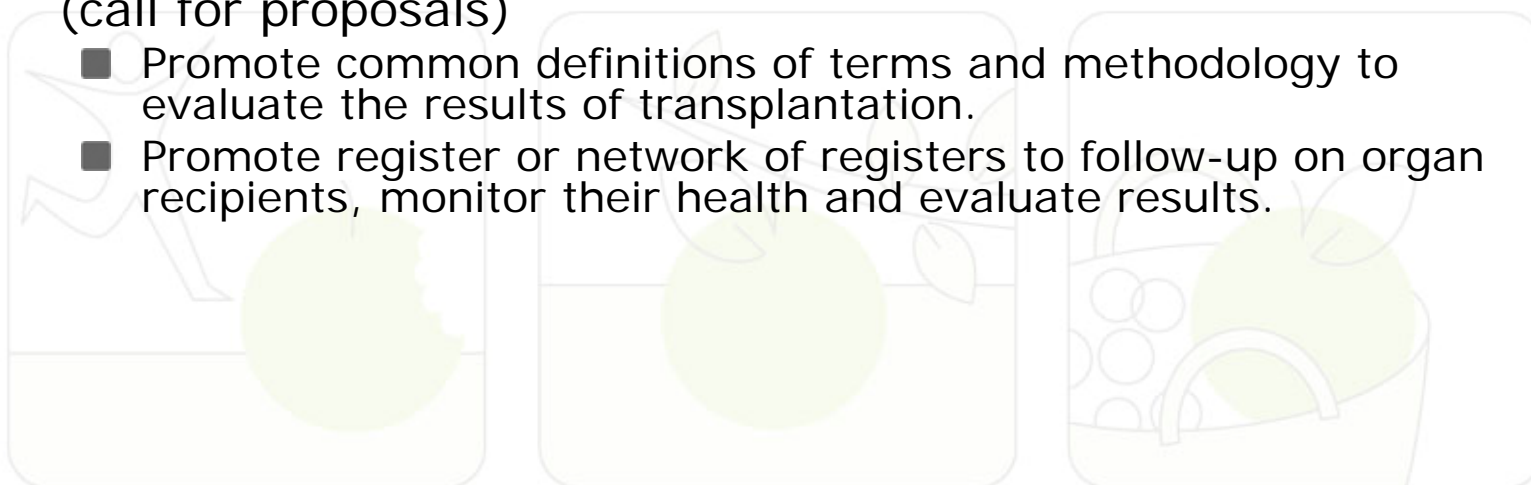
Political background:

- Application of common sense and solidarity.
- Making better use of existing capacities, rather than investing into duplication of what exists elsewhere and can be shared.
- Test case for 'joint actions'.

Safety of blood , tissues , cells , organs

■ Evaluation of post transplant results on organ transplantation (call for proposals)

- Promote common definitions of terms and methodology to evaluate the results of transplantation.
- Promote register or network of registers to follow-up on organ recipients, monitor their health and evaluate results.





HP – Health threats priorities for 2008

Improve citizen's health security	Priority brief description	Reference to annex	Method of financing
Improve citizens' safety			
Risk assessment thematic Networks	Promotion of the establishment of thematic networks of scientific excellence between EU, national and international Risk Assessment (RA) and scientific advisory bodies for exchange and collaboration on critical issues like nanotechnology, antimicrobial resistance, EMF, as well as on RA methodological aspects (e.g. benchmark approach, non-threshold carcinogenic substances, risk/benefit assessment etc.).	1.2.1	Call for proposals
Training of Risk Assessors	Promotion of Risk Assessors training initiatives in order to ensure availability of highly qualified assessors to perform consistent and good quality assessment of health risks as required for the application of EU policies and legislation.	1.2.1	Call for proposals



1. Risk Assessment Thematic Networks

Scientific Excellence Networks on AMR, Nanotechnologies, EMF, RA methodological aspects

- Addressed to scientific/technical organisations specialised in risk assessment in one or more of the relevant fields (e.g. EMF)
- Promotion of co-operation at the EU-level to achieve critical mass and facilitate synergies
- Possibility to establish several thematic networks
- The list of RA methodological aspects not exhaustive (+ e.g. exposure assessment)

2. Training of Risk Assessors

Promotion of Risk Assessors training schemes

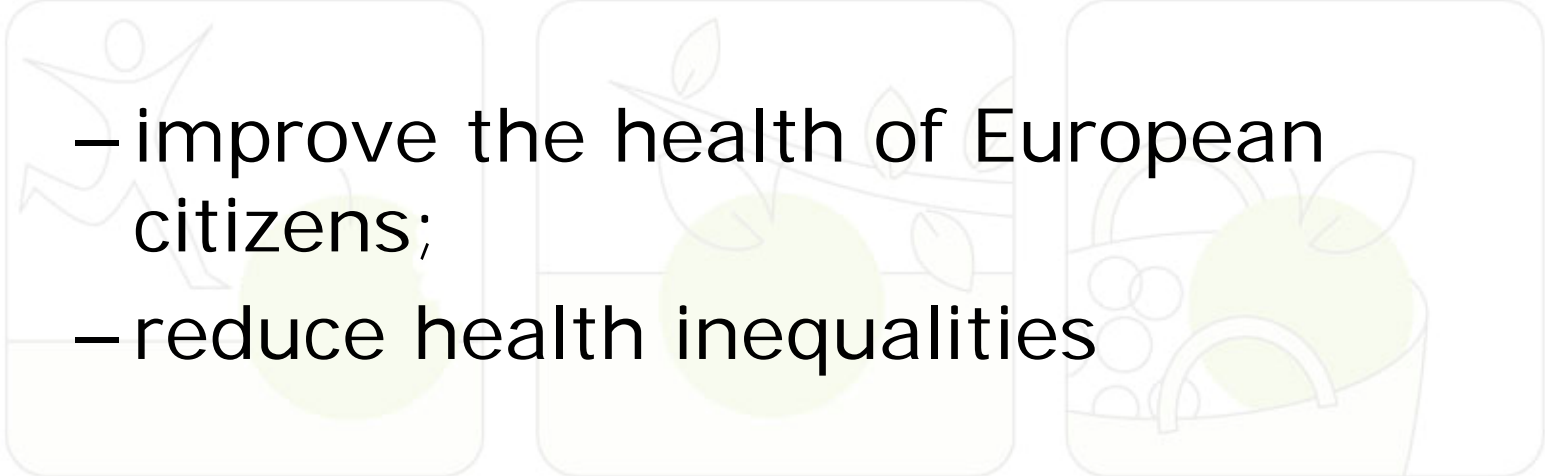
- Encourage initiatives to put in place training programmes in RA
- To develop practical training schemes on risk assessment (« stage ») for fellows having suitable scientific backgrounds
- Fields: Health in general, related to activities of the Commission non-food [Scientific Committees](#) (e.g. ecotoxicology, exposure assessment to chemicals, substances in cosmetics, environmental pollution, EMF)
- Reference document: 2007 report "[Inventory](#) of formal (graduate and post graduate) and "on-the-job" risk assessment training schemes of relevance to the work of the non-food Scientific Committees"

More information

- **Non-food Scientific Committees:**
<http://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific-committees>
- **RA training schemes:**
http://ec.europa.eu/health/dyna/training/training_en.cfm

Health Promotion Unit Mission

Contributing to MS efforts to:

- 
- improve the health of European citizens;
 - reduce health inequalities

by addressing health determinants

The Lifestyle challenge

By changing lifestyle potentially possible to avoid:

- up to 80% of coronary heart disease
- up to 90% of Type 2 diabetes
- about one third of cases of cancer

Source WHO/FAO report 916, 2003

The EU approach:

**tackle the underlying determinants behind
non-communicable diseases**

Health Promotions priorities

- Initiatives on Health determinants
 - Lifestyles: nutrition, physical activity, sexual health
 - Addiction: alcohol, tobacco, drugs
 - Wider issues: socio-economic, environment
- Promote physical and mental health and prevent disease: HIV/AIDS, heart health, accidents and injuries.
- Key groups and settings: Children and young people, migrants, education, the workplace
- Engage stakeholders (in public health, consumers, the media, industry...)

Overview

Areas								
Lifestyles				Addictions			Wider Health Determinants	
Nutrition and Physical Activity	Mental Health	Sexual Health	Injury prevention	Alcohol	Drug	Tobacco	Health and Environment	Socio-economic determinants
	Cross-cutting activities	Stakeholder processes			Health Forum; Diet, Physical Activity and Health Platform for Action; Aids Think Tank; civil society forum; Alcohol Forum; Mental Health mechanism; Environment and Health consultative forum.			
Settings			Education, Workplace					
Target Populations			Vulnerable groups, disabled, children and young people					

Promoting Health

■ Nutrition and Physical Activity

- A comprehensive strategy: 2007 White Paper and product reformulation (2008) reduce salt
- Engaging stakeholders: EU Platform on diet, physical activity and health
 - Initiatives to address healthy living in young incorporating life skills training, parental involvement and school/community actions (call for proposals)
 - Development of good practice on the reformulation of manufactured foods (call for proposals)

■ Mental Health

- 2008: An EU Pact on mental health, working across policies
- 2009: Recommendation on good practice in preventing mental disorders, suicidal behaviour and promoting mental well-being
 - Development of guidelines integrating mental health promotion and mental disorder prevention into training and health and social services professionals and identification of best practices for combating social exclusion of people with mental health problems (call for proposals)

Promoting Health

■ Sexual health and HIV/AIDS

- Action plan on AIDS (2005) for EU and Neighbourhood countries
- Access to ARV treatment
- Linking to Member States and Stakeholders: Think Tank and Civil Society Forum
- New Action plan on AIDS (2009) for EU and Neighbourhood countries
 - Core funding to support existing or new European sexual health networks (Operating grants)
 - Projects on HIV/AIDS prevention in young people, awareness raising among the general public and dissemination of good practices (call for proposals)
 - Core funding support for HIV/AIDS prevention network(s) (Operating grants)

■ Accidents and injuries

- 2007 Council recommendation on good practice across Member States
 - Maintaining, expand and enhance the Injury Database (call for proposals)
 - Injury prevention as a major action priority within national health promotion programmes (call for proposals)

Promoting Health

■ Alcohol

- EU alcohol strategy (2006): focus on vulnerable groups, high risk drinking, drink driving, workplace
- Coordinating Member State good practises; Committee on National Policy and Action.
- Stakeholder platform: European Alcohol and Health Forum.
 - Prevention of harmful alcohol use among young people and as a specific focus, older people, including the transition period from work to retirement (call for proposals)

■ Drugs

- Focus on prevention and harm reduction
- Recommendation on drugs and prisons (2008)
- Integrated approach across addictions: Poly-drug use
 - Addressing the issue of new trends of synthetic drug use among young people (call for proposals)
 - Reviewing the good practices in preventing drug related blood borne disease, in particularly hepatitis B/C, among injecting drug uses (call for proposals)

Promoting Health

- Multi-faceted tobacco control approach
 - Binding legislation (Product & Advertising directives)
 - Non binding legislation (Council recommendations)
 - Participation in international TC initiatives (FCTC)
 - Help: Integrated communication campaign across all
 - Media (TV spots and Internet)
 - Website in 22 languages
 - Series of national events
 - PR activities

- Current situation and a future approach towards new audiovisual media services and communication and what impact they have on tobacco advertising and on promoting tobacco control (call for proposals)
- Tobacco in all policies, development of a capacity building on tobacco control strategies across all policies (call for proposals)
- Development of innovative strategies and best practices concerning prevention and cessation methods, with focus on education and workplace settings, or in young and teenagers (call for proposals)



Health Information

- European Information coordination and cooperation
- Analysing information for making decisions
- Generating data at European level
- Enabling European comparability of information
- European health information strategy

Health Information priorities 2008

- Action on rare diseases
- Cancer
- E-health
- Climate change
- Healthy Life Years Indicators
- European Health Examination Survey
- ECHI
- European Global Health Report
- Communication on European Health Information Strategy

■ Communication on rare disease

- a high priority for the European Commission
 - Development and maintenance of rare disease registers and information networks in certain (e.g. rare anaemias) not yet covered (call for proposals)

■ Lisbon Strategy

The Healthy Life Years indicator is a structural indicator in the core of the EU Lisbon Strategy

- Assess the impact of specific diseases or risk factors on the Health Life Years indicator and developing appropriate estimates of the Global Burden of Disease (call for proposals)

■ Inequalities

- Link mortality to census data on socioeconomic status or by self reported health by SES (call for proposals)

■ Children

- Analysis of health survey data for child and adolescent population (<15 years) not covered in the existing European Health Survey System (call for proposals)

■ DAFNE Data Base on Food Consumption measured by Household Budget Surveys

- Update the data base for all MS and extend to new MS to allow for a complete picture for the whole EU meeting EUROSTAT's quality criteria (call for proposals)

■ Mental health

- To contribute to the World Mental Health Survey on the basis of existing EU mental health survey actions (call for proposals)

■ Major & Chronic disease

- Networks providing results, in terms of operational indicators or instruments to collect information (call for proposals)
 - cancer,
 - cardiovascular diseases [acute myocardial infarction/acute coronary syndrome and stroke (with possibility to distinguish between ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke)]
 - vision impairments, hearing loss,
 - rheumatic diseases,
 - Autism Spectrum Disorders
 - neurodegenerative diseases, not yet covered by existing actions

■ ECHI – European Community Health Indicators

- Development of the ECHI system to cover broad range of health indicators from all MSs and to develop the ECHI shortlist related to the development of health promotion, prevention, and public policy indicators (Joint actions)

■ European Best Practice in Genome based information and technologies

- **Produce the first edition of the European Best Practice Guidelines for Quality Assurance in Provision and Use of Genome-based Information and Technologies"** (call for proposals)



Further Information

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