



## Swiss Public Health Conference 2021

COVID-19 and the public health management of pandemics - 50 years of ISPM Bern

Wednesday, 25 August 2021		
9:00	Reception	
9:30	Opening	<p><b>Ursula Zybach</b>, President of the Swiss Society for Public Health, Member of the Grand Council of Canton Bern (ger)</p> <p><b>Oscar H. Franco</b>, Director ISPM, University of Bern (eng)</p>
9:45	<p><b>Keynote-Session I:</b> COVID-19 challenges of the present and future</p>	<p><b>Future challenges for Public Health</b> <b>Walter Ricciardi</b>, Professor of Hygiene and Public Health at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Rome, President of WFPHA (eng)</p> <p><b>Joint efforts in a time of crises</b> <b>Milo Puhan</b>, director, Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute, University of Zurich (ger)</p> <p><b>Public health for the whole society</b> <b>Markus Mader</b>, Direktor Swiss Red Cross, Bern-Wabern (ger)</p>
11:00	Break	
11:30	Parallel sessions I	
12:45	Lunch with «Poster flash»	
14:15	Parallel sessions II	
15:30	Break	
16:00	<p><b>Keynote-Session II:</b> A global perspective on COVID-19 Chair: Arnaud Chiolerio</p>	<p><b>Global response to COVID-19</b> <b>Maria Neira</b>, World Health Organization, Geneva (eng)</p> <p><b>The US case</b> <b>Alfredo Morabia</b> Professor of Clinical Epidemiology, Columbia University, New York (fr)</p> <p><b>Surveillance: Strengths and limitations of a federal public health system</b> <b>Christos Pouskoulas</b>, Head of Health Care Canton Lucerne (ger)</p>
17:15	Panel discussion The role of schools in the pandemic	<p><b>Susi Kriemler</b>, Professor, Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute, University of Zurich (ger)</p> <p><b>Samuel Rohrbach</b>, president Syndicat des enseignant-es romand-es SER (fr)</p> <p><b>Stéphanie Dagron</b>, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Geneva (fr)</p>

Thursday, 26 August 2021		
8:30	Reception	
9:00	Welcome words	<b>Anne Levy</b> , director FOPH (ger) (tbc) <b>Christian Leumann</b> , Rector of the University of Bern (ger)
9:15	Keynote-Session III: Mental and social challenges of the pandemic	<b>Economy or health: do we have to choose?</b> <b>Monika Bütler</b> , Swiss Institute for Empirical Economic Research, University of St.Gallen (ger)  <b>Impact of the pandemic on mental health</b> <b>Georgia Salanti</b> , Professor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (eng)  <b>Are socially disadvantaged people more affected by COVID-19?</b> <b>Thomas Abel</b> , Professor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (ger)
10:30	Break	
11:00	Panel discussion Which aspects were forgotten so far? Chair: Sonja Hasler, radio moderator SRF (ger)	<b>Rudolf Hauri</b> , President Swiss Association of Cantonal Officers of Health (ger)
12:00	Lunch with «Poster flash»	
13:15	Parallel sessions III	
14:30	Break	
15:00	Keynote-Session IV: Lessons learnt and future actions	<b>How to communicate in time of crises?</b> <b>Suzanne Suggs</b> , Professor, Institute of Public Communication and the Institute of Public Health, University of Lugano (eng)  <b>Better predictions for the future</b> <b>Christian Althaus</b> , Professor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (ger)  <b>Vaccination: Where are we and what to do?</b>
16:15	Final remarks	<b>Corina Wirth</b> , Director the Swiss Society for Public Health <b>Nino Künzli</b> , Director SSPH+
16:45	End of conference	

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