



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

Thursday, 26 August 2021		
8:30	Reception	
9:00	Welcome words	Anne Levy , director FOPH (ger) (tbc) Christian Leumann , Rector of the University of Bern (ger)
9:15	Keynote-Session III: Mental and social challenges of the pandemic	Economy or health: do we have to choose? Monika Bütler , Swiss Institute for Empirical Economic Research, University of St.Gallen (ger) Impact of the pandemic on mental health Georgia Salanti , Professor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (eng) Are socially disadvantaged people more affected by COVID-19? Thomas Abel , 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)	Samia Hurst-Majno , director of the Institut Ethique, University of Geneva (fr) (tbc) Rudolf Hauri , 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	How to communicate in time of crises? Suzanne Suggs , Professor, Institute of Public Communication and the Institute of Public Health, University of Lugano (eng) Better predictions for the future Christian Althaus , Professor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (ger) Vaccination: Where are we and what to do?
16:15	Final remarks	Corina Wirth , Director the Swiss Society for Public Health Nino Künzli , Director SSPH+
16:45	End of conference	

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