









Swiss Public Health Conference 2021

COVID-19 and the public health management of pandemics - 50 years of ISPM Bern (University of Bern, Hochschulstrasse 4, 3012 Bern)

Tuesday, August 24 th 2021 Pre-Conference (online)		
15:00	Parallel Workshops I	<i>Detailed program under «parallel sessions»</i>
16.45	Parallel Workshops II	<i>Detailed program under «parallel sessions»</i>
Wednesday, August 25 th 2021		
9:00	Reception	
9:30	Opening	Ursula Zybach , President of the Swiss Society for Public Health, Member of the Grand Council of Canton Bern (ger) Oscar H. Franco , Director ISPM, University of Bern (eng)
9:45	Keynote-Session I: COVID-19 challenges of the present and future Chair: Nicola Low, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine (ISPM)	Future challenges for Public Health (online) Walter Ricciardi , Professor of Hygiene and Public Health at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Rome, President of WFPHA (eng) Joint efforts in a time of crises Milo Puhan , director, Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute, University of Zurich (ger) Public health for the whole society Markus Mader , Director Swiss Red Cross, Bern-Wabern (ger)
11:00	Break	
11:30	Parallel sessions I	<i>On-site only, no online transmission</i>
12:45	Lunch	Posterflash (13.00 – 13.45) SPHD Member Meeting
14:15	Parallel sessions II	<i>On-site only, no online transmission</i>
15:30	Break	
16:00	Keynote-Session II: A global perspective on COVID-19 Chair: Arnaud Chiolero, Population Health Laboratory, University of Fribourg	Global response to COVID-19 (online) Maria Neira , World Health Organization, Geneva (eng) The US case (online) Alfredo Morabia Professor of Clinical Epidemiology, Columbia University, New York (fr) Surveillance: Strengths and limitations of a federal public health system Christos Pouskoulas , Chief medical officer Canton Schwyz (ger)
17:15	Panel discussion The role of schools in the pandemic Chair: Corina Wirth, The Swiss Society for Public Health	Susi Kriemler , Professor, Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute, University of Zurich (ger) Samuel Rohrbach , president Syndicat des enseignant-es romand-es SER (fr) Stéphanie Dagron , Professor, Faculty of Law and Medicine, University of Geneva (fr)
18:30	Evening Program	Dinner Restaurant Grosse Schanze Bern

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Thursday, August 26 th 2021		
8:30	Reception	
9:00	Welcome words	<p>Anne Lévy, director FOPH (ger)</p> <p>Christian Leumann, Rector of the University of Bern (ger)</p>
9:15	<p>Keynote-Session III:</p> <p>Mental and social challenges of the pandemic</p> <p>Chair: Julia Dratva, University of Applied Sciences Zurich (ZHAW)</p>	<p>Economy or health: do we have to choose?</p> <p>Monika Büttler, Swiss Institute for Empirical Economic Research, University of St.Gallen (ger) </p> <p>Impact of the pandemic on mental health</p> <p>Georgia Salanti, Professor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (eng)</p> <p>Are socially disadvantaged people more affected by COVID-19?</p> <p>Thomas Abel, Professor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (ger) </p>
10:30	Break	
11:00	<p>Panel discussion</p> <p>Which aspects were forgotten so far?</p> <p>Chair: Sonja Hasler, Swiss Radio and Television SRF</p>	<p>Rudolf Hauri, President Swiss Association of Cantonal Officers of Health (ger) </p> <p>Oliver Hümbelin, Professor, Social Work, University of Applied Sciences Bern (ger) </p> <p>Thierry Fumeaux, Past President Swiss Society for Intensive Care Medicine SGI (fr) </p> <p>Franziska Teuscher, Executive Council of the City of Bern, Directorate of Education, Social Welfare and Sport (ger)</p>
12:00	Lunch	
13:15	Parallel sessions III	On-site only, no online transmission
14:30	Break	
15:00	<p>Keynote-Session IV:</p> <p>Lessons learnt and future actions</p> <p>Chair: Isabel Zihlmann, Nutrition expert group, Swiss Society for Public Health</p>	<p>How to communicate in time of crises? (online)</p> <p>Suzanne Suggs, Professor, Institute of Public Communication and the Institute of Public Health, University of Lugano (eng)</p> <p>How to prepare for the next pandemic?</p> <p>Christian Althaus, Doctor, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Bern (eng)</p> <p>mRNA Vaccines</p> <p>Steve Pascolo, Immunologist University Hospital Zurich (fr) </p>
16:15	Final remarks	<p>Corina Wirth, Director of the Swiss Society for Public Health</p> <p>Nino Künzli, Director SSPH+</p>
16:45	End of conference	

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