

Dear SSPH+ Community,

Welcome to the May edition of the SSPH+ newsletter! We are excited to share some key opportunities from across the SSPH+ community. Enjoy reading!

SSPH+ COURSES

Upcoming SSPH+ IGC Courses

Migration Health – *last 2 places available!*

- Dates: 26–28 May 2025
- Location: Swiss TPH (Hybrid, on-site or online)
- Registration Deadline: until all places are taken

Applied Bayesian Methods in Epidemiology and Public Health (intermediate) – *limited places available for a new date*

- Dates: 17–19 June 2025 (postponed from 9–11 April)
- Location: on site at Bern University of Applied Sciences (organized by SUPSI)
- Registration Deadline: 17 May 2025

Life Course Epidemiology and Public Health (intermediate)

- Dates: 23–25 June 2025
- Location: on site at University of Fribourg
- Registration Deadline: 23 May 2025

Missing Data in Observational Epidemiologic Studies Including Non-detects (intermediate/advanced)

- Dates: 1–3 July 2025
- Location: on site at Swiss TPH, Allschwil
- Registration Deadline: 1 June 2025

For more details and to register, please visit [Course Program & More Info](#).

SSPH+ Emerging Health Leaders (EHL): Skills Training & Leadership Courses

Join us for the next EHL course: “Planning of a Campaign in the Health Field: Concepts and Strategies”

- 30 June 2025, 09.30–17.30
- Hotel Alpha, Rue du Simplon 13, Fribourg
- Instructors: Benoît Gaillard & Simon Zurich

For more details and to register, visit the [Emerging Health Leaders: Skills Training & Leadership Courses](#).

Emerging Health Leaders: Skills Training & Leadership Courses



Empowering health care and public health professionals with essential skills and leadership expertise to shape the future of health care.



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Planning of a campaign in the health field: concepts & strategies

Master the dynamics of healthcare campaigns and learn to design impactful initiatives tailored to diverse goals, audiences, and methods.



Hotel Alpha, Rue du Simplon 13, Fribourg



30 June 2025, 09.30-17.30 (all day event)

The course fee is CHF 300 for all participants, with a reduced rate of CHF 30 for SSPH+ IGC students, Post-Docs and NRP 74 EHCL alumni. For more info, please visit: <https://ssphplus.ch/>



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SSPH+ IGC students, Postdocs, and NRP 74 EHCL Alumni are eligible for the discounted course fee of 30 CHF.

SSPH+ EVENTS

Lugano Summer School Lectures: SSPH+ LSS Seminar Series



public health community.

SSPH+ LSS started in April with its popular **Seminar Series**, continuing to foster learning and exchange throughout the year, not just during the Summer School week. This year, the series highlight the experiences and expertise of our Learning Hubs across the globe, presenting relevant projects for the entire

Upcoming seminars:

- **June 12, 10:30–11:30 CEST:** *Voices from Vietnam* - Pandemic Preparedness in Vietnam: Health System Resilience and Areas for Improvement
- **July 2, 13:30–14:30 CEST:** *Voices from Zambia* - Enhancing Multi-Disciplinary Clinical Education in Zambia: The Solution to Health Workforce Shortages in Resource-Limited Settings

Seminars are **free** and open to the public! For more information on each topic, visit the [SSPH+ LSS Seminar Series page](#). To register and get the zoom link to participate in the seminars, visit: https://usi.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5BEaFKGWOZNMbw

SSPH+ CALLS

SSPH+ Journals Open Calls

The International Journal of Public Health ([IJPH](#)) and Public Health Reviews ([PHR](#)) currently have the following open calls for papers:

- [Advances in Public Health Leadership](#) (Abstract deadline: 31 May 2025)
- [The Effects of Wine in Moderation in the Context of Mediterranean or Other Healthy Diets](#) (Abstract Deadline: 12 June 2025)
- [Evidence-Based Supported Employment and Education for Individuals with Psychiatric Disabilities](#) (Summary Deadline: 30 June 2025)

- [The Health of Displaced People: a Challenge for Epidemiology and Public Health](#) (Manuscript deadline: June 30, 2025). Note: Manuscripts accepted by May 31, 2025, qualify for the “Rodolfo Saracci Best Paper Award” (CHF 3,000).
- [Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) and Public Health](#) (Abstract Deadline: 30 September 2025)
- [Disaster Health Convergence: Better Integration of Public Health and Disaster Medicine](#) (Manuscript Deadline: 13 November 2025)

For more info about calls, please visit: [SSPH+ Open Calls](#).

SSPH+ PARTNER COURSES

Presentation of Public Health Courses in Switzerland – Join Us at WHA Week!

Date: 22 May 2025 | Time: 15:00–16:30 | Location: Campus Biotech, Geneva

We would like to invite you to a “**Presentation of Public Health Courses in Switzerland**”, scheduled for Thursday, 22 May 2025 from 15:00 to 16:30. The session is taking place as part of the World Health Assembly (WHA) Week in at Campus Biotech in Geneva. The event will highlight public and global health education opportunities across Switzerland.

Organized by the SSPH+ and the University of Geneva, the session features speakers from leading institutions and highlights Switzerland’s role in strengthening global public health training. Registration is free but mandatory. [Learn more & register](#).



Workshop: Digital Public Health & Neuromuscular Diseases

Date: 16 May 2025 | Time: 13.00–18.00 | Location: University of Lucerne

Join us on 16 May 2025 at the University of Lucerne for a half-day workshop exploring digital innovations in care and communication for neuromuscular diseases. Topics include patient empowerment, chatbot design, and digital health integration. Free registration, but limited spots available. [More info & registration](#).

Public Lecture (in German): Can We Stop HIV, Hepatitis B & C, and STIs by 2030?

Date: 28 May 2025 | Time: 18.15 | Location: Faculty of Law, University of Basel

A free public lecture by Dr. med. Benjamin Hampel (University of Zurich) on the national program "NAPS – Stopp HIV, Hepatitis B/C & STIs" will take place on 28 May 2025 at 18:15 at the Faculty of Law, University of Basel. The lecture will be held in German, followed by a small apéro. [Registration](#) open until 23 May 2025.

Join the ASSETS 2025 Public Health Mentoring Summer School

Date: 22–25 July 2025 | Location: Andrija Štampar School of Public Health, University of Zagreb, Croatia

Are you an early-career public health professional looking to grow your career with purpose and impact? The **ASSETS 2025 Summer School** offers a unique opportunity to engage in transformative mentorship, develop leadership skills, and connect with peers from across Europe. [Learn more](#).

Swiss Learning Health System (SLHS) Courses

- **Health Policy in Switzerland**

Date: 5/8 Sept 2025 | Time: 09.15–17.00 | Location: University of Lucerne / BFH & the Parliament Building | Registration Deadline: 22 Aug 2025

The workshop offers an introduction into the basics of the Swiss health system and current issues in Swiss health policy.

- **Advancing Health Equity in Learning Health Systems**

Date: 15–19 Sept 2025 | Location: University of Lucerne | Registration Deadline: 18 Aug 2025

This course introduces learners to the foundational concepts of health equity and tools necessary for driving equity within Learning Health Systems (LHS).

For more info on courses and to register, please visit [SLHS Website](#).

Save the Date: SLLS Annual Conference 2025 in Fribourg

Date: 8–10 Sept 2025 | Time: 18.15 | Location: #PopHealthLab, University of Fribourg

The 14th Annual Conference of the Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies (SLLS) will take place from 8–10 September 2025 in Fribourg, hosted by the Population Health Laboratory (#PopHealthLab) at the University of Fribourg. Under the theme “Life Course Transitions and Patterns: Stronger Evidence for Better Policies”, the conference will explore how policies shape life trajectories, especially in ageing populations. For more info, please visit [SLLS Conference](#).

Swiss Implementation Science Conference 2026

Date: 12–13 February 2026 | Location: University of Zurich

Registration and abstract submission are open for the 4th conference on 12–13 February 2026 at the University of Zurich. Theme: True IMPACT – Providing Innovation for Patients and the Public. Submission Deadline: 1 September 2025. [More info & registration](#).

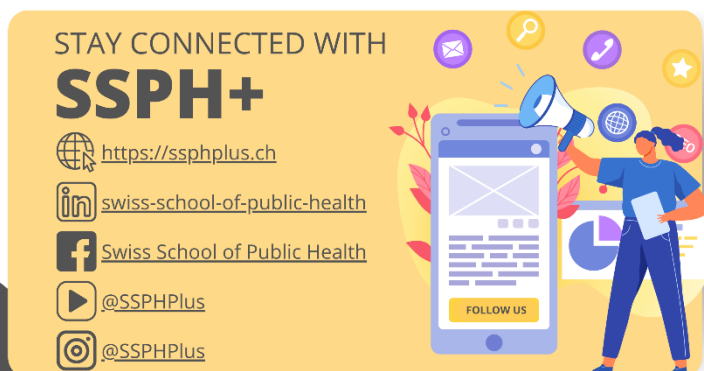
New Commentary Published in Response to Finnish JUFO Statements

A new Commentary “[Conspiracies in Academia? Stand Up Against Defamations of Open Access Journals!](#)” addressing the defamatory statements made by the Finnish JUFO Committee against the International Journal of Public Health (IJPH) and Public Health Reviews (PHR) has been published.

We encourage you to read and share it widely. All related information, including the original letter to JUFO and the new Commentary, is available here: [SSPH+ Journals](#).

Let's Connect!

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