

BREATHLESS ON TRACK

Online Faculty Meeting 2021

Tue 15 & Wed 16 June on Zoom

Block A 13:00-15:00: SSPH+ - Where do we stay – where do we go

This is Session A1 - Tue 15.6.2021 - 13:00-13:30h

Moderator: Nino Künzli

Where do we stay? Highlights from SSPH+

AUDIENCE: ALL=SSPH+ Faculty members & Fellows, Honorary Fellows, PhD students, researchers, training program leaders, and guests

Full program of faculty meeting is here (incl. zoom links to all sessions):

<https://ssphplus.ch/en/calls-events/events/faculty-meeting-2021/>

WELCOME on behalf of your SSPH+ Directorate and staff



Nino Künzli



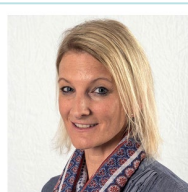
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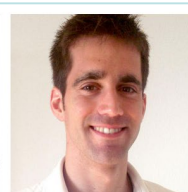
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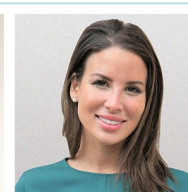
Ursula Erni



Ann Walser



Jorgen Bauwens



Emily Reeves



Daniela Erb

... sorry for another year on

zoom

But...

SSPH+ Faculty Meeting 2022 in

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How it works: The full PROGRAM LINK is here \$

 <https://ssphplus.ch/en/calls-events/events/faculty-meeting-2021/>



ZOOM LINKS are provided IN THE PROGRAM

		Choose your session	Check out «invited audience»	CLICK on zoom link	Download file if any (also "last minute")
Day 1 / 15 June 2021		Content info			
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A	13:00 – 15:00	SSPH+ - Where do we stay, where do we go			
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A2	13:30-14:30	Where do we go? The SSPH+ Strategy 2023-2027 Breakout group discussions (self-organized break) ⓘ	Audience: SSPH+ Faculty Members and their research groups Chair/Moderator: Nino Künzli	Template for group work Link to files if any	
A3	14:30-15:00	Convene in plenary, present group work, discuss outcomes, actions and next steps	Audience: SSPH+ Faculty Members and their research groups Chair/Moderator: Fabian Vollrath	Day 1 Link	

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- Always MUTE your micro – unmute only to speak
 - Open video cameras are most welcome 😊

- Use the CHAT for questions – SSPH+ responds in the chat or tomorrow in Session H1

Win an SSPH+ Dinner voucher award

- Join any session – win the lottery...
- Every participation (in sessions «open to ALL») counts!
- Winners are announced tomorrow in the concluding Session H1 (16:30h)



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	15:00-15:15	VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'		

“Thank you” to our Foundation Board

- » Prof. Torsten Schwede, University of Basel
- » Prof. Kaspar Wyss, University of Basel
- » Prof. Daniel Candinas, University of Bern
- » Prof. Oscar Franco, University of Bern
- » Prof. Arnaud Chiolerio, University of Fribourg
- » Prof. Katharina Fromm, University of Fribourg
- » Prof. Stéphane Berthet, University of Geneva
- » Prof. Claudine Burton-Jeangros, University of Geneva
- » Prof. Murielle Bochud, University of Lausanne
- » Prof. Giorgio Zanetti, University of Lausanne
- » Prof. Gisela Michel, University of Lucerne
- » Dr. Wolfgang Schatz, University of Lucerne
- » Prof. Olivier Guillod, University of Neuchâtel
- » Prof. Felix Kessler, University of Neuchâtel
- » Prof. Emiliano Albanese, Università della Svizzera italiana
- » Prof. Suzanne L. Suggs, Vice President, Università della Svizzera italiana
- » Prof. Milo Puhani, President, University of Zurich
- » Prof. Rainer Weber, University of Zurich
- » Prof. Urs Brügger, BFH
- » Prof. Klazine van der Horst, BFH
- » Prof. Carlo De Pietro, SUPSI
- » Prof. Franco Gervasoni, SUPSI
- » Prof. Andreas Gerber-Grote, ZHAW
- » Prof. Simon Wieser, ZHAW

SSPH+ Financial Concept 2018-2022

QUIZ:

SSPH+ Directorate received ~1 Mio.
core funding from the 12 Universities.

How much money did SSPH+
Directorate channel back to the
SSPH+ partners at the 12
universities?

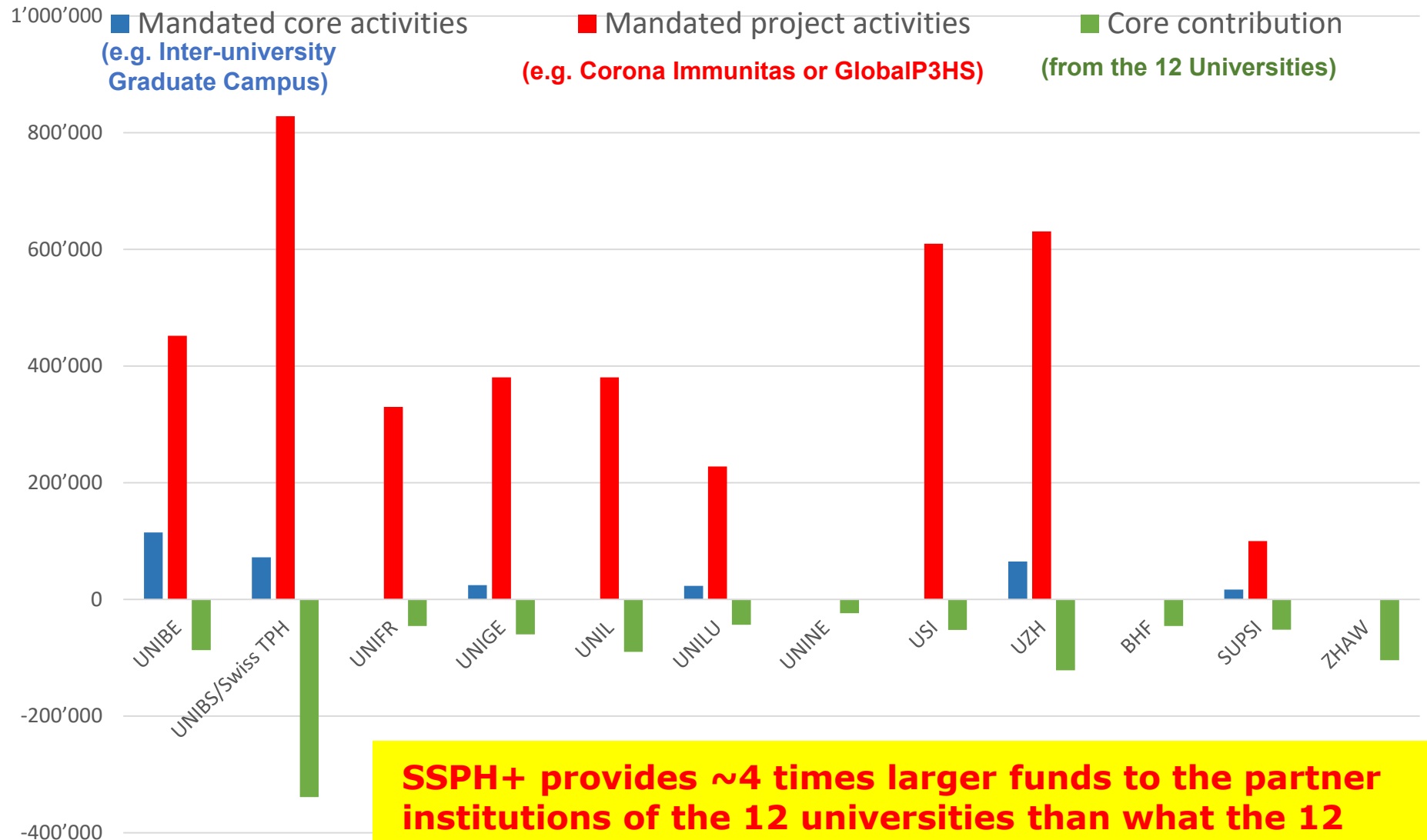
~1 Mio / yr
SSPH+ Directorate

Your answer (in CHF):

- a. Nothing
- b. ~0.5 Mio
- c. ~1.0 Mio
- d. ~2 Mio
- e. ~4 Mio



2020 flows of SSPH+ «core funding» (from the 12 Universities) and «project funding» (aquisition from other funders)



SSPH+ provides ~4 times larger funds to the partner institutions of the 12 universities than what the 12 universities contribute to SSPH+ in cash ("core funding") (not counted: various in-kind contributions!)

Highlights - Outlooks

**Inter-
university
research**

**Training
& Education**

**Science to
Practice &
Policy**

4 highlights

**Inter-
university
research**

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Updates & Highlights from

Do not miss: COVID-19 and beyond

Tomorrow Wed 8:30 to 12:00 – Sessions D / E

Day 2 / 16 June 2021

COLLECT what you did
(apart of Corona Immunitas)

SHARE what you did

#	Time	Title/Content	Audience/Organisation	Zoom Link
D	08:30-11:00	COVID-19 and lessons learned		
D1	08:30-09:15	Introduction followed by group work ⓘ	Audience: All Chair/Moderator: Antoine Flahault	Day 2 Link Template for group work
D2	09:15-10:00	Convene in plenary and present group work	Audience: All Chair/Moderator: Luca Crivelli	Day 2 Link
	10:00-10:15	VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'		
D3	10:15-11:00	Beyond COVID-19: Lessons learned for action ⓘ	Audience: All Chair/Moderator: L. Suzanne Suggs	Day 2 Link
	11:00-11:15	VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'		
E	11:15-12:00	Corona Immunitas - The Virus as a Game Changer		
E1	11:15-12:00	The Virus as a Game Changer ⓘ	Audience: All Chair/Moderator: Milo Puhan	Day 2 Link
	12:00-13:00	VIRTUAL LUNCH BREAK - 60'		

CORONA
IMMUNITAS



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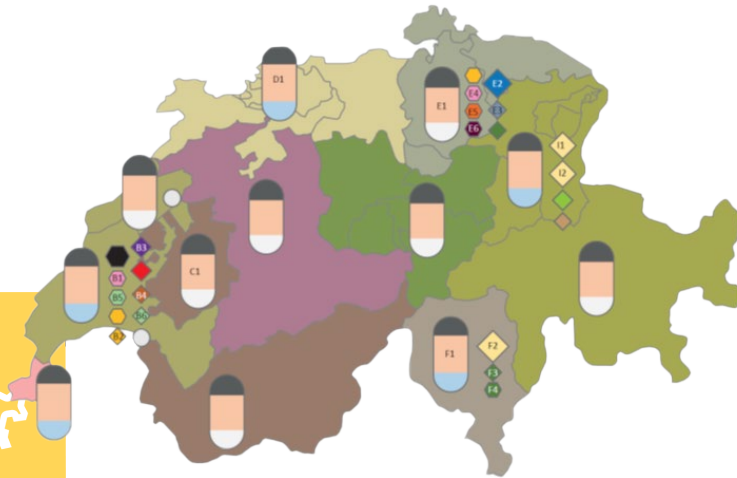


SSPH+

SWISS SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC HEALTH

SSPH+ Corona Immunitas

- SSPH+ acts as SPONSOR: Budget CHF 15 Mio.
- SSPH+ network does the research



1 YEAR

**OVER 50,000
PARTICIPANTS**

**>50
publications**

14 Sites

National coverage

5 test phases
within 1.5
years

46 newsletters sent

**Funding
sources:
55% private,
45% public**

mentions in
national and
international
media
> 2'000

**~80%
participation
rate in the
FOLLOW-UP**

**>125
team calls**

24 Science in a Minute videos
languages: DE, FR, IT

CORONA
IMMUNITAS
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Universität
Basel



Unil
UNIL | Université de Lausanne



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Hochschule für Angewandte
Technik und Gestaltung

University of Applied Sciences and Arts
of Southern Switzerland
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DE GENÈVE

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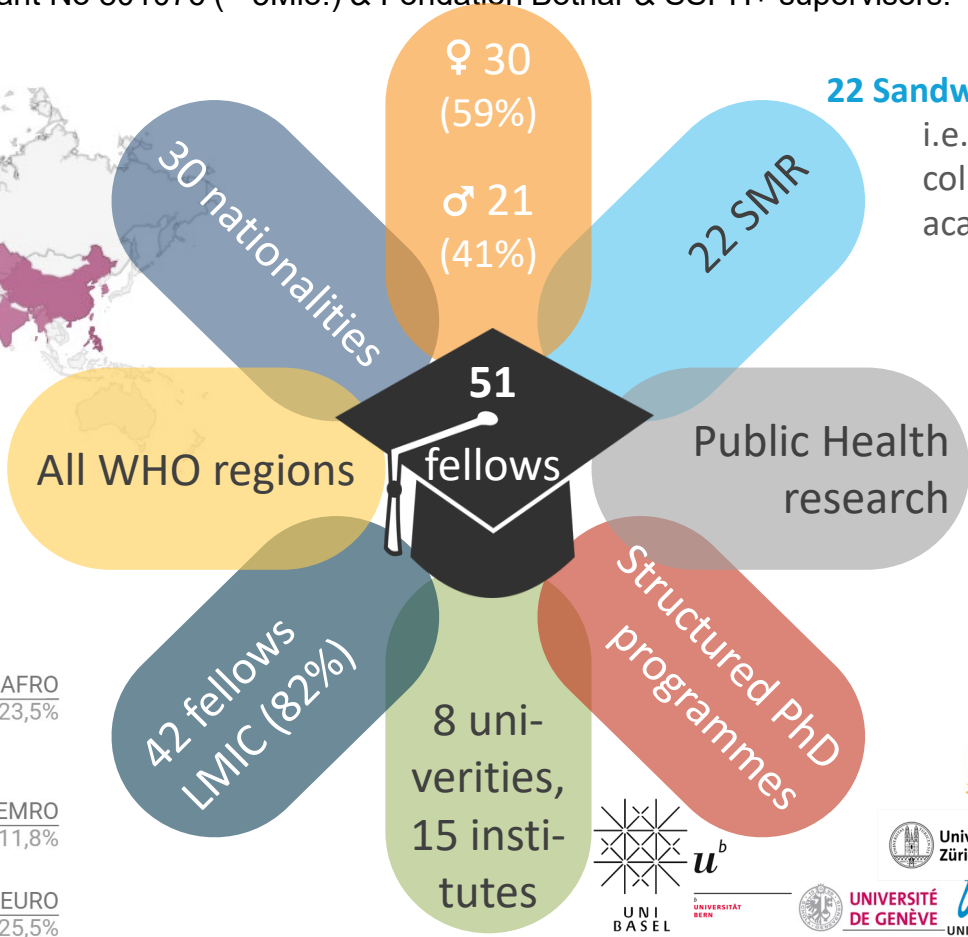
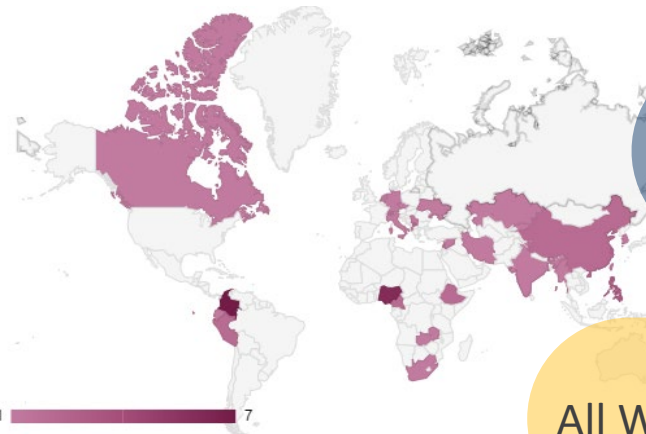
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2 SSPH+ GlobalP3HS Doctoral Program

The SSPH+ PhD Fellowship Programme in Public Health Sciences. **Co-Funding:** European Union's Horizon 2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie COFUND grant No 801076 (~ 5Mio.) & Fondation Botnar & SSPH+ supervisors.

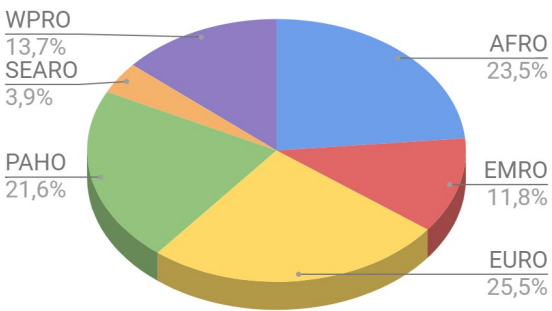


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22 Sandwich Model Researchers (SMR)
i.e. LMIC-relevant studies in collaboration with an LMIC-based academic institution.

WHO regions



Public health areas



Coordinator: Jorgen Bauwens, SSPH+



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The (fully self-funded) SSPH+ sister journals

Owned by



Published by



Editorial Office led by

SwissTPH



- Anke Berger Editorial Manager
- Freja Nielsen Editorial Assistant 50% since 1.6.21
- Internship: Stephanie Bishop



IJPH

International Journal of Public Health

- Impact factor expected to pass 3.0 soon; CiteScore 4.2
- Transitioned smoothly to GOLD OPEN ACCESS



PHR

Public Health Reviews

- already TOP RANKING in Scopus! - CiteScore 6.8
- Impact Factor application in process (would be >4 by now)

- 7 new Calls for papers now open – for YOU
- propose Calls for papers – be “SSPH+ Guest Editor”



Public Health Reviews

for Reviews – all formats – and Policy Briefs

Co-Editors in Chief



Sarah Mantwill
(for SSPH+)



Raquel Lucas



Kasia Czabanovska

Let's shape  PHR together!

Workshop topics:

- Translate knowledge to public health practice and policy
- Increase outreach and visibility
- Increase impact through relevant Calls
→ become a guest editor.

Join in
Day 1 - Session B2
16:15 - 17:00 h
Moderated by Sarah Mantwill,
Uni Luzern, Co-Editor in Chief

Your inputs will inform the editorial strategy!



In strategic collaboration with  **ASPHER**, former owner of PHR
The Association of Schools of Public Health
in the European Region

Public Health Reviews

for Reviews – all formats – and Policy Briefs

Currently open Calls for Papers

- Transformational Public Health Education
- building resilience and preparedness to post COVID19 future
- COVID-19: guidance from research for policy and practice
- Health in all sustainable development goals
- Call to PhD students (coming soon)



[Submit!](#)

Become a Guest Co-editor – contact Anke.Berger@swisstph.ch

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Resolve a riddle –

Win an MD-PhD student

for graduates in

- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Veterinary

Why do SSPH+ researchers almost NEVER promote candidates for the 10-14 attractive SNSF MD-PhD Fellowship



Make a change - join Session F3

Wed 16.6.21 - 13:00 - 14:00 h

Moderated by Nino Künzli, SSPH+ representative in
national MD-PhD Committee

Guest:

Myriam Tapernoux, SAMW; Coordinator MD PhD Program

Session is relevant to ALL potential supervisors of PhD students !

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OUTLOOKS

SSPH+ and institutional biodiversity



Lead: Luca Crivelli, SUPSI and Deputy Director SSPH+

- Recently, three UAS (BFH, SUPSI and ZHAW) joined the SSPH+ Foundation, enriching its institutional **biodiversity**.
- Given the partly different academic settings and structure (role of PhDs, different funding mechanisms, focus on other non-medical professions), we need to reflect on how to make the exchange fruitful for everyone.
- → **Online workshop** (*in September 2021 – invitation will follow*) to share visions and innovative ideas on how activities can be tailored to the needs and potential contributions of UAS



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Strengthen post-doctoral community**Dream your SSPH+****Session F2****Wed 16.6.21 - 13:00 - 14:00 h**Moderated by Antoine Flahault ,
Director Global Health Institute Geneva; Deputy Director SSPH+**Session is relevant to PhD students and junior scientists
affiliated with SSPH+ partner institutions**

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How to become a Health Care Leader

Were to meet peers?

How to organize my project?

How to bring results to practice?

How to present my findings?



«Join the EHCL program»

Emerging Health Care Leaders

Session C1 today 17:15 - 18:00

By Rolf Heusser, Chair EHCL, EBPI Zurich

5 highlights



**Training
& Education**

8 Young Researchers Editorial of IJPH

YRE – an SSPH+ training project for PhD Students – led by PhD Students
PhD students learn to be “Editors in Chief”
Supervision: Dr. Anke Berger, IJPH Editorial Office

YRE EDITORIAL BOARD (SSPH+ PhD students)

- **Vasileios Nittas (now post-doc, EBPI Zurich) YRE Editor in Chief**
- Diana Buitragogarcia (University of Bern)
- German Guerra (University of Geneva)
- Peter Raguidin (University of Bern)
- Ana Cecilia Quiroga Gutierrez (University of Lucern)

since start of YRE (Dec 2017):

- submissions: 36 editorials authored by PhD students
- published/accepted: 17 (rejection rate ~50%)
- currently under review: 2

Current priorities of editorial board

1. prompt communication and shorter turnaround times
2. promotion of YRE outside of Europe
3. stronger balance between public health tradition and innovation

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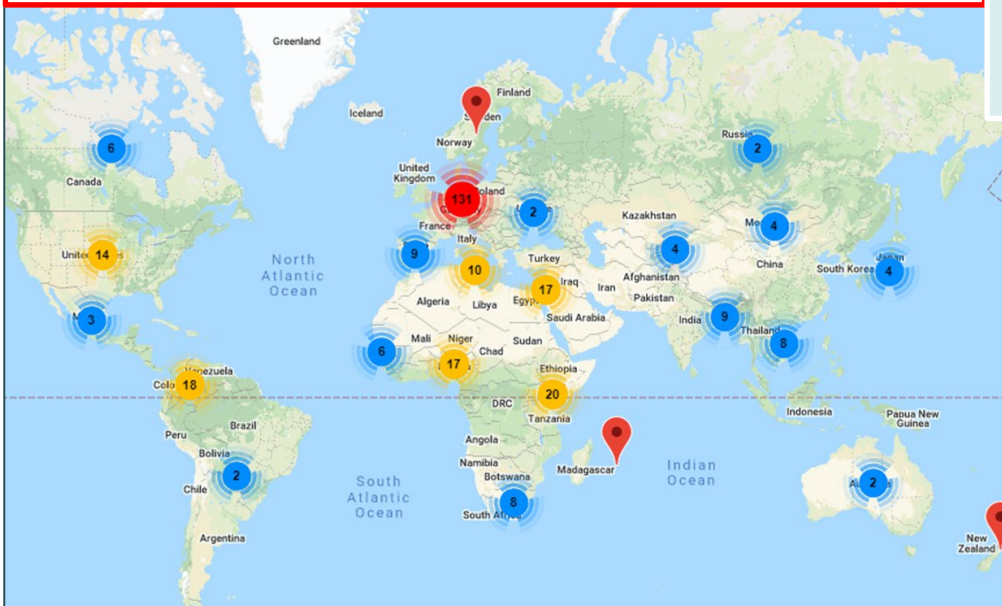
Inter-university Graduate Campus (IGC)

The SSPH+ hub of high-quality PhD public health education

IGC Manager: Ann Walser, ISPM Bern

Chair Academic Board IGC: Thomas Abel, ISPM Bern

- **302** PhD students enrolled in IGC (♀182 / ♂ 120)
- From **11** SSPH+ partner universities
- From **77** countries
- **21** course offers in IGC
- Agreements with **15** partners



New IGC courses

- Approaches to online teaching
- Life course epidemiology and public health
- Migration and health

Recent calls for new IGC courses:

- Artificial Intelligence and Public Health
- Foundations of Public Health Sciences
- Introduction to Health Economics
- Public health surveillance and population health monitoring



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SSPH+ coordination initiative for PhD Programs

- SSPH+ partners lead various local PhD programs
- Coordinators have similar needs and challenges
- Exchange fosters win-wins and limits redundancies
- Mutual learning experience

Session is “upon invitation”
(PhD program coordinators)

PhD Program Coordination

Session F1

Day 2 – 16.6.21 - 13:00 - 14:00 h
Moderated by Ann Walser, SSPH+ IGC Manager

Commentary by Anja Matthiä, Swiss TPH
Coordinator PhD Program Health Sciences (PPHS) Uni Basel

11 SSPH+/ETHZ-Lecture Series 2021



LECTURE AND DISCUSSION SERIES ON PRIME TOPICS IN PUBLIC HEALTH

How are new data sources forming public health research? How do law and health interact? What challenges does public health face –and what solutions does it offer?

Crisp and interactive talks followed by student-lead discussion will reflect these and other novel and challenging topics.

This lecture series is designed for students of medicine and health sciences, including those with no background in public health.

Information, reading materials, live streaming and recorded lectures can be found here:
[SSPH ETHZ Lectures](#)

Moderators: Maša Davidović (Swiss TPH) & Peter Francis Raguindin (ISPM-University of Bern)

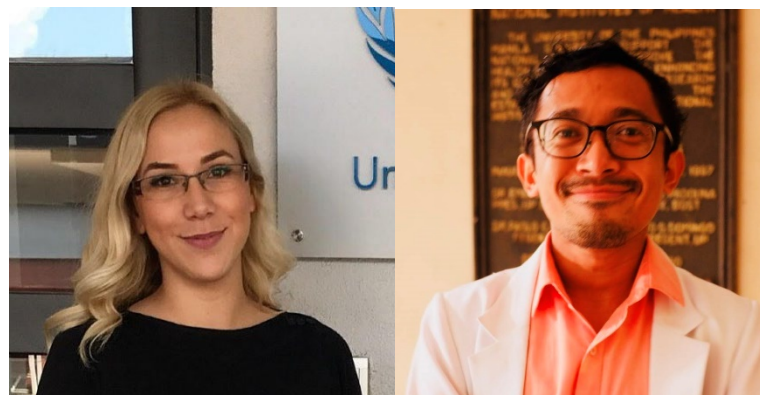

ETH zürich

Thank YOU ALL ! A success once again!

- **13 LIVE-STREAMED Lectures from**
- **12 SSPH+ partner institutes and ETHZ, affiliated with...**
- **11 Swiss Universities**

... and sorry to all who could not be featured (many more faculty members offered great lectures!)... thus:

More to come... !



**Moderators: Maša Davidović (Swiss TPH)
& Peter Francis Raguindin (ISPM Bern)**

**18:15 – 19:15 CET
WEDNESDAYS
24 FEB TO
2 JUN 2021**

**ONLINE AND ETH
ZÜRICH HG D16.2
(IF COVID-19
ALLOWS)**

24 February
Fabrizio Mazzonna, Università della Svizzera italiana
MENTAL HEALTH AND ANTI-DEPRESSANTS

03 March
Taulant Muka, University of Bern
GENDER IN CARDIO-METABOLIC HEALTH

10 March
Claudio Valsangiacomo, University of Applied Science and Arts of Southern Switzerland
CHOLERA CONTROL

17 March
Caroline Brall & Felix Gille, ETH Zurich
ETHICS IN PANDEMICS

24 March
L. Suzanne Suggs, Università della Svizzera italiana
COMMUNICATIONS IN HEALTH

31 March
Sara Rubinelli, University of Lucerne
INFODEMIC

14 April
Julia Dratva, Zurich University of Applied Science
CHILD & ADOLESCENCE HEALTH PRIORITIES

21 April
Christian Lengeler & Manuel Hetzel, Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute
MALARIA ELIMINATION

28 April
Irina Guseva Canu, University of Lausanne
CHEMICALS & RISK ASSESSMENT

05 May
Rolf Heusser, University of Zurich
FROM EVIDENCE TO PRACTICE

19 May
Nicolas Ray, University of Geneva
GEOGRAPHICAL MAPPING IN MATERNAL HEALTH

26 May
Melanie Levy, University of Neuchâtel
HEALTH-TRACKING TECHNOLOGIES

2 June
Arnaud Chiolero, University of Fribourg
IMPROVING SURVEILLANCE DATA



12 SSPH+ @ Dubai EXPO2021

Featuring Health in all SDG's in the post-covid-19 era

Location: Hybrid Dubai and online

Dates: January 22-March, 2022

Special feature:

The Swiss Pavilion showcases the SSPH+@Expo



on:

Health in all SDG's"

Scientainment events!

1. Artistic performances (Scuola Dimitri)
2. ScienceFlashTalks SSPH+ PhD students
3. Lecture series (you will propose...)
4. SSPH+ student testimonial videos
5. Scientific debates & discussions
6. 'Talk to the experts' online sessions



**Join the EXPO Session B1
TODAY 15:15 - 16:00 h
Moderated by Emily Reeves,
Coordinator SSPH+@Expo**



All features of SSPH+@Expo developed and delivered by PhD students and faculty from SSPH+ partner institutions!

...and more to come.. with your help! ☺

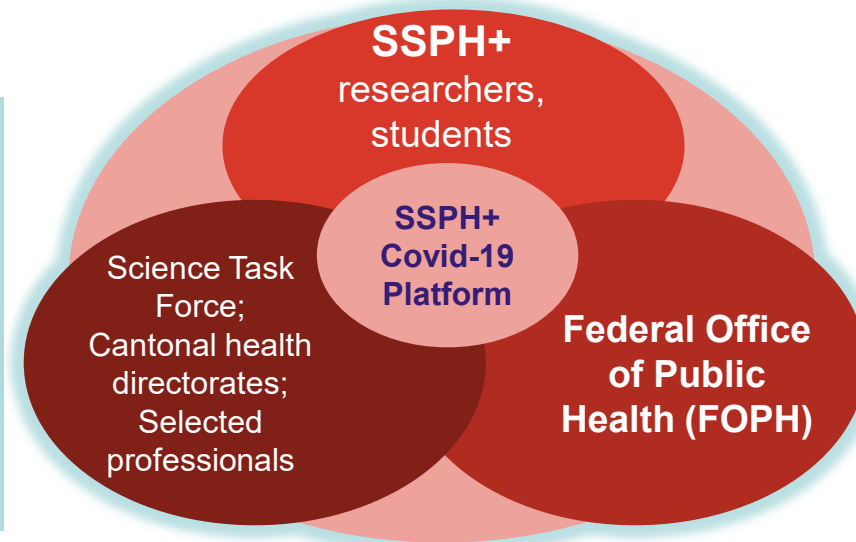
SSPH+ Coordinator: Emily Reeves

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13 The SSPH+ COVID-19 Platform

SSPH+ Coordinator: Jorgen Bauwens

- **Mandate extended with FOPH to fall 2022**
- **Current main activity:**
 - FOPH requests reviews of literature on questions of need for FOPH; SSPH+ coordinates competitive mandates linking SSPH+ experts with FOPH
 - Reports of mandatee submitted to FOPH (cc to National Task Force), put on SSPH+ platform (closed) and on FOPH web (open)
 - Mandatee may opt for scientific publication (not required)



Literature screening reports (mandates via SSPH+)

Effectiveness of non-pharmaceutical measures (SwissTPH) Jan 2021-Feb 2021

Covid-19 Vaccines (Uni Fribourg) Jan 2021-Jan 2022

Epidemiological Features (SwissTPH) Jan-Jun 2021

Long-Covid: persistent markers, symptoms or sequelae (EBPI) Feb-Jul 2021

COVID-19 and children/youth (ZHAW) Mar-Aug 2021

Covid-19 Vaccines in Israel (Uni Fribourg) Mar-Mar 2021

Quantitative and qualitative role of aerogenic transmission of Sars-CoV-2 (Unisanté) May-Aug 2021



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Swiss Public Health Conferences

**Commentary by Corina Wirth,
Director Public Health Schweiz**

Swiss Public Health Conference 2020:

- Online
- 350 participants

**BIG THANKS TO THE
UNI LUZERN TEAM!**



Swiss Public Health Conference 2020
«From Evidence to Public Health Policy and Practice»

Virtual Conference
2 + 3 September 2020



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Swiss Public Health Conferences

**Commentary by Oscar Franco, ISPM Bern,
Scientific Chair SPHC 2021**

Swiss Public Health Conference 2021:

- ISPM Bern
- ISPM 50th anniversary!
- Hybrid
- Register now!



Swiss Public Health Conference 2021
COVID-19 and the public health management of pandemics
50 years of ISPM Bern

25 - 26 August 2021
University of Bern

**Commentary by Corina Wirth,
Director Public Health Schweiz**

Swiss Public Health Conference 2022:

- Bern
- exceptionally: public offices as partners (no academic host)



Stay tuned...

Swiss Public Health Conference 2023:

- Unisanté, Lausanne, the new academic center for primary care and public health
- 7 – 8 September 2023
- Primary care and public health

Primary care plays a key role in the Swiss health care systems, yet more prevention and health promotion needs to be integrated into primary care services. Research is needed to develop new models of primary care with more emphasis on community and population health as well as interdisciplinary care with nurses and social workers, among others

Murielle Bochud, Unisanté Lausanne will be the hosting Scientific Chair SPHC 2023

save-the-date...!

GENEVA HEALTH FORUM

The Forum that brings together key actors of global health

- ❖ 1500 participants from 130 countries
- ❖ Academic sector, Field actors, Policy makers, Private sector
- ❖ 30 partner organizations
- ❖ At the heart of international Geneva
- ❖ Digital and physical gathering

Next edition of the Geneva Health Forum: 3-5 May 2022

Chair: Antoine Flahault, IGH Uni Geneva and SSPH+

16 SSPH+ Annual Report 2020

Updates & Highlights from

Check it out...- it is different...



Uki Erni, SSPH+ Administration
has sent 1 hard copy of the Leporello Report
2020 to Faculty and Board ... ☺
If you need one more... send an email to
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<https://ssphplus.ch/assets/downloads/uploads/ssph-jb2020-look-web.pdf>

KEY NUMBERS OF SSPH+

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One Foundation
One Vision
One Faculty

12

Universities

13

Honorary Fellows

20

Institutes (with
2 or more faculty
members)

260

inter-university
Faculty members

400

PhD students

30

postgraduate MAS/
DAS/CAS programs,
led by SSPH+ Faculty
members



Annual Report 2020

The Swiss School of Public Health – a non-profit Foundation - assembles public health scientists across Switzerland into one national inter-university faculty. The SSPH+ faculty expertise mirrors the scientific and professional field of public health, which encompasses a broad range of disciplines, spread across universities, faculties, and institutions.



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12:00-13:00 VIRTUAL LUNCH BREAK - 60'

F 13:00-14:00 Parallel Sessions F

F1 13:00-14:00 **PhD program coordinators meeting** Audience: Upon invitation Chair/Moderator: Ann Walser [F1 Link](#)

F2 13:00-14:00 **Dream your SSPH+ ⓘ** Audience: PhD students, Postdocs and interested scientists Chair/Moderator: Antoine Flahault [F2 Link](#)

F3 13:00-14:00 **Win a PhD fellowship with your top candidate: Guidance for MD-PhD fellowships ⓘ** Audience: SSPH+ Faculty and all others who supervise PhD students (at SSPH+ partner institutions) Chair/Moderator: Nino Künzli [will follow](#)

14:00-14:15 VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'

G 14:15-16:15 Inter-university Graduate Campus (IGC) Academic Board Meeting

G1 14:15-16:15 **IGC Academic Board Meeting** Audience: Upon invitation Chair/Moderator: Thomas Abel [G1 Link](#)

16:15-16:30 VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'

H 16:30-17:15 Celebrate the future leaders!

H1 16:30-17:15 **Join the author of the 2021 "Best Published PhD Article in Public Health" and witness what SSPH+ PhD students will tell you** Audience: All Chair/Moderator: Nino Künzli [Day 2 Link](#)

... see you at the next year's 2022 SSPH+ Faculty Meeting... in person, in ZURICH!

ING SESSION
PEN FOR ALL

Thank you for your contribution to Session A1

1. **Sandra Nocera** (SSPH+)
2. **Fabian Vollrath** (APS / SSPH+)
3. **Jorgen Bauwens** (SSPH+)
4. **Anke Berger** (Swiss TPH)
5. **Sarah Mantwill** (Uni Luzern)
6. **Luca Crivelli** (SSPH+ & SUPSI)
7. **Antoine Flahault** (SSPH+ & Uni Geneve IGH)
8. **Rolf Heusser** (EBPI Uni ZH)
9. **Vasileios Nitta** (EBPI Uni ZH)
10. **Ann Walser** (ISPM Bern)
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13. **Peter Francis Raguindin** (ISPM Bern)
14. **Emily Reeves** (SSPH+)
15. **Corina Wirth**, Public Health Schweiz
16. **Oscar Franco** (ISPM Bern)
17. **Uki Erni** (SSPH+)

Let us know whether you
join Session A2 NOW
(strategy 2023-2027
workshops)

2 Corona Immunitas study protocol papers already published in our journal

International Journal of Public Health
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00038-020-01494-0>



ORIGINAL ARTICLE



Corona Immunitas: study protocol of a nationwide program of SARS-CoV-2 seroprevalence and seroepidemiologic studies in Switzerland

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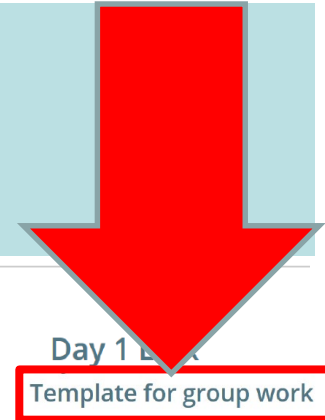
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BREATHLESS ON TRACK

Online Faculty Meeting 2021
Tue 15 & Wed 16 June on Zoom

Block A 13:00-15:00: SSPH+ - Where do we stay – where do we go

This is Session A2 / A3
Tue 15.6.2021 - 13:30-15:00h



A2 13:30-14:30

Where do we go? The SSPH+ Strategy 2023-2027
Breakout group discussions (self-organized break)



Audience: SSPH+ Faculty Members and
their research groups

Chair/Moderator: Nino Künzli

Day 1 Link

Template for group work

A3 14:30-15:00

**Convene in plenary, present group work, discuss
outcomes, actions and next steps**

Audience: SSPH+ Faculty Members and
their research groups

Chair/Moderator: Fabian Vollrath

Day 1 Link

15:00-15:15

VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'

Why SSPH+ strategy discussion?

- Current Strategy approved May 2015, Financial Concept 2018-2022 expires
 - SSPH+ has seen major developments... before and with COVID-19
 - New financial concept (2023-2028) to be submitted to universities early 2022
 - It must rely on strategy 2023-2028
- **Since May 2020, Directorate, Foundation Board, and Faculty involved in development of new strategy – supported by APS (Fabian Vollrath and team)**

Iterative process is well on track, with various workshops, online survey, discussions, interviews, and drafts on key topics such as

- **Vision, Mission, Motivation**
- **Functions**
- **Organization**
- **Funding concepts**

It is all “work in progress”... today is not the last opportunity to give inputs and feedbacks to the Strategy and the Financial Concept 2023-2027, to be approved by the Foundation Board in Dec 2021...



Achievement 1:

Foundation Board and Faculty confirmed to keep all current strategic pillars of SSPH+ also in the SSPH+ Strategy 2023-27!

... to support the SSPH+ partners in public health oriented...

**Inter-
university
research**

**Training
& Education**

**Science to
Practice &
Policy**

**Board also decided to add
communication from science to the public
as a new transversal strategic focus of SSPH+ 2023-27**

Commentary: Milo Puhan, President SSPH+ Foundation Board

Achievement 2:

Vision – Mission – Motivation statements drafted and REVIEWED by SSPH+ network



Vision

Our vision is to promote equitable health and full human potential

Mission

We will achieve our vision together by focusing on three strategic pillars:

- **Teaching & Education:** SSPH+ fosters high-quality education and training collaborations to enable a skilled public health workforce locally, nationally and internationally.
- **Inter-university Research:** SSPH+ facilitates and promotes interdisciplinary, trans-institutional research to strengthen public health.
- **Science to Policy & Practice:** SSPH+ supports the translation and dissemination of public health science to policy, practice and the public.

Motivation

Our core motivation is facilitating research and teaching of highest quality to foster a strong public health community and a broad network of dedicated public health experts and scientists in Switzerland and other countries. Networking provides us with added value in terms of scientific exchange and lifelong learning.

We contribute to the health of the population in Switzerland and improve general knowledge about health. We share our knowledge of public health with politicians, practitioners and the public.

Commentary: Fabian Vollrath, APS; Coordinator Strategy development

Objectives of today's Group Work

Plan a break in the Group

1. The WORD template online features **5** discussion TOPICS with concrete questions. Those address strategically relevant issues related to SSPH+ FUNCTIONS and ORGANIZATION.
2. Break-out Groups are automatically assigned. **Group 1 starts with TOPIC 1, Group 2 with TOPIC 2 etc.** – Group 6 (if any) also with TOPIC 1 ...etc. If you are done with the assigned first TOPIC, move up to the next one... etc. (from T5 → T1).
- 3. OBJECTIVE: Please discuss at least the questions raised. Express your views, visions, ideas, concerns for the respective TOPIC**
- 4. RAPPORTEURS:** Please use the WORD file ([online Faculty program](#) or in the CHAT). Put the group members on top → move to the box with the assigned topic where you summarize your discussions, in particular also agreements and disagreements, pros and cons of ideas etc. –

SEND YOUR FILE (with your initials at the end of the file name) to Snocera@ssphplus.ch at the end of the session (no "home work"). You will be asked to summarize the essence of your discussion of the primarily assigned TOPIC.

TOPIC 1: Supporting "Working Groups" to think, develop, implement together

TOPIC 2: A "SSPH+ Parliament"

TOPIC 3: SSPH+ "SOUNDING BOARD" (or "EXTERNAL ADVISORY BOARD" or "COMMISSION")

TOPIC 4: The "SSPH+ Donors Club"

TOPIC 5: SSPH+ in the international context

Join the PLENARY at 14:30h - Moderation: Fabian Vollrath, APS

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TOPIC 1: Supporting “Working Groups” to think, develop, implement together

As the only inter-university national network of academic leaders in public health, SSPH+ represents a very wide expertise. However, public health is multidimensional and multidisciplinary, touching on many domains where other academics (and non-academics) provide relevant expertise too. To foster exchange under the lead of SSPH+ partners, the Directorate considers to launch new calls to get support for “working groups” (WGs, as a working title only, or “task forces” or “think tanks”. etc.). Selected SSPH+ applicants could lead some outcome-oriented collaborative WGs on a proposed topic to assemble and steer all relevant constituencies and stakeholders needed to address issues relevant to progress in the chosen domain of public health. Applicants will propose the content (e.g., emerging science-to-policy issues, development of the training landscape, guidelines on a societal issue, promotion of a health relevant regulation, etc.).

QUESTION: What do you think of SSPH+ supporting such “WGs”, initiated and led by SSPH+ partners? How would you frame such competitive calls (e.g., selection criteria, duration of the support, possible outcomes, level of funding)? Shall “working groups” include internal (SSPH+) as well as external constituencies alike?

TOPIC 2: “SSPH+ Parliament”

The current governance of SSPH+ is based on a) the oversight by the Foundation Board (two members per Foundation university) with board meetings in May and December and Commission (President and Deputy) meetings held 4-6 times with the Directorate, b) the Directorate with its administrative office in Zurich (90% FTE Dean & 2 Deputies; 150% FTE for head, admin, and fundraising and 250% FTE for project specific coordination (e.g., GlobalP3HS; Inter-university Graduate Campus). The faculty meets once a year. Ad hoc meetings may be held occasionally on specific topics. Given this structure, all operational decisions are taken by the Directorate (where needed with approval from Board or Commission).

QUESTION: How would you like SSPH+ to function in the future, in particular: would you like to have more formal/regular opportunities to provide inputs, debate or shape decisions, provide ideas or proposals or plan social events? Why yes? Why not? If yes, how (e.g., a “parliament” or a “steering board” or some “working group” structure, some internal “scientific committee” to define relevant public health issues that SSPH+ should promote, etc.) and how should it be operated? Etc.

TOPIC 3: SSPH+ “SOUNDING BOARD” (or “EXTERNAL ADVISORY BOARD” or “COMMISSION”)

As described in TOPIC 2, the SSPH+ governance at this stage relies on the Foundation Board and the Directorate to steer all operations for and with the faculty, fellows, PhD students and partners. SSPH+ has no external body that provides advice, reflects from the outside, and/or acts as a messenger for SSPH+. A “Sounding Board” could include different personalities and stakeholders from politics, business and society to enable an exchange of interest and opinions.

QUESTION: Should the SSPH+ governance structure have an (external) “Sounding Board” in the future? Why yes? Why not? If yes, what would its main objectives be? Some advisory role? On what? What name should it have? How would you design it (e.g., size, top priority constituencies to be represented in the board apart from the Federal Office of PH as an obvious one)?

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TOPIC 4: “SSPH+ Donors Club”

In line with the current strategy and decisions of the Board, SSPH+ has a fundraiser since several years. The objective is to raise funds which SSPH+ can provide to its constituencies to foster research and training. The Corona Immunitas’ experience underscores the prime role of funders, both public and private, and the key role of communication and trust in fundraising. Other organizations have created “Donors Clubs” (working title) as part of the organizational structure to strengthen the acquisition of funds. Members would not only be donors, but also ambassadors for the vision of an inter-university public health network.

QUESTION: Would you support such a “club / board / commission”? Would members be representatives of both private and public organizations? Do you see potential conflicts (instead of an added value) with activities of your institution or university? If yes, how would those be avoided? What criteria would you define to qualify as a “club” member?

TOPIC 5: SSPH+ in the international context

Although SSPH+ core activities have a major focus on strengthening SSPH+ as a Swiss network, the network partners are heavily involved also in international dimensions of global public health. SSPH+ projects such as GlobalP3HS or the new collaboration with a call on equity and health (Julius Baer Foundation) are inherently global in nature. In formal terms, however, SSPH+ per se is only a member of the Association of Schools of Public Health of the European Region (ASPHER) and the Organization for PhD Education in Biomedicine and Health Sciences in the European System (ORPHEUS). Since many years and until May 2021, SSPH+ was represented on the Board of ASPHER (Fred Paccaud, followed by Nino Künzli), a term that now expired. SSPH+ has a cooperation with ASPHER for the journal Public Health Reviews, now taken over from ASPHER. Otherwise, SSPH+ is not per se (as an organization) formally represented in any internationally oriented constituency. Many SSPH+ network partners have, however, a range of formal and informal partnerships around the globe. Moreover, the survey about the drafts of the Vision, Mission and Motivation resulted in various comments to not restrict SSPH+ only “nationally” but keep a global perspective.

QUESTION: Should SSPH+ dedicate part of its energy more explicitly (beyond the core activities mentioned above) toward an international dimension? Why or why not? Should SSPH+ be a formal member/associate of other organizations/associations? In which cases would it be more appropriate to leave the participation to a certain association to the single member universities and when would the institutional representation through SSPH+ be preferred? How would such engagements be managed? (e.g., some SSPH+ working group led by mandated SSPH+ partners?)

Thank you for your contribution to the development of the SSPH+ Strategy 2023-2027

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WELCOME IN SESSIONS B and C

	15:00-15:15	VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'		
B	15:15-17:00	Your SSPH+@Expo and your journals - getting involved		
B1	15:15-16:00	SSPH+ features health in all SDGs at Expo in Dubai - with you ⓘ	Audience: All Chair/Moderator: Emily Reeves	Day 1 Link
	16:00-16:15	VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'		
B2	16:15-17:00	Public Health Reviews: attractive for your reviews and your policy briefs! ⓘ	Audience: All Chair/Moderator: Sarah Mantwill & Anke Berger	Day 1 Link
	17:00-17:15	VIRTUAL COFFEE BREAK - 15'		
C	17:15-18:00	Emerging Health Care Leaders		
C1	17:15-18:00	Emerging Health Care Leaders (EHCL) Program ⓘ	Audience: All Chair/Moderator: Rolf Heusser	Day 1 Link Description PDF