
NEOH UPDATES, NOVEMBER 2015

- **NEOH WG UPDATES:**
 - **WG1: HANDBOOK DEVELOPMENT**
 - WG1 members are putting together a lot of effort into the development of the first draft of the handbook. All chapter leaders have reported their progress to the WG1 leaders and most chapters are advancing at a good pace in preparation for the meeting in Lisbon.
 - **WG2: SELECTION OF CASE STUDIES; SURVEY ON ONE HEALTH STATUS IN PARTNER COUNTRIES:**
 - WG2 is working on a survey that enquires about the One Health status in every country with the aim to publish the results. The questions to be covered can be found in the WG2 folder on Alfresco <https://team.swisstph.ch/page/site/neh/documentlibrary#filter=path%7C%2FWork%2520Group%25202&page=1>; Sara Savic will be happy to provide further information to interested people.
 - WG2 is discussing the suitability of case studies to apply the NEOH handbook in a next phase.
 - **WG3: LITERATURE REVIEW**
 - To our great regret, Prof. **Chinwe Ifeijka Speranza** had to step back from her MC position for Germany because of moving to Switzerland. She will continue to be an active member of the network, but cannot lead anymore due to her change in MC status. Therefore, we are looking for a new co-leader for WG3. **If you are interested and/or would like to suggest somebody for this role, please do get in touch with Barbara Haesler.**
 - WG3 members are planning a literature review on evaluation of One Health initiatives to include them in a meta-analysis. If you are aware of evaluations of One Health, please get in touch with Vladimir Grosbois.
 - **WG4: PLANNING OF A STAKEHOLDER MEETING AND ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY PANEL:**
 - WG4 members were very successful in planning a stakeholder meeting in Brussels with good representation from different stakeholder organisations – see the attached programme. Unfortunately, the meeting had to be postponed due to the security situation in Brussels.
 - A NEOH factsheet is available on Alfresco in the “General Dissemination Materials” folder <https://team.swisstph.ch/page/site/neh/documentlibrary#filter=path%7C%2FDissemination&page=1>
- **NEXT NEOH MEETINGS:**
 - The next **general NEOH meeting** (in combination with the MC meeting) will take place on the 18th and 19th January 2016 at the “Faculdade De Ciências Medicas, Universidade Nova De Lisboa” in Lisbon. Apart from the management committee meeting, we will focus mainly on the



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evaluation of One Health and the development of the handbook. We have invited four inspirational speakers and our handbook chapter leaders will be there to report on their work to date. Please see the attached draft programme for additional information. **For those attending: please note that additional information on hotels has been included. For those of you who would like to join, but missed the deadline for application: Please get in touch with Martha Betson (m.betson@surrey.ac.uk),** as there may be some places left.

- Unfortunately, the **NEOH stakeholder meeting** planned to take place in Brussels on the 25th of November 2015 (see attached programme for further information) had to be postponed due to the security situation in Brussels. The new meeting date is the **16th of February 2016** and there may be some spaces left for people to attend. **If you are interested, please do get in touch with Vlakto Ilieski (WG4 leader, vilieski@fvm.ukim.edu.mk) and/or Barbara Haesler.**
- **NEOH @CONFERENCES:** All materials can be accessed in the Alfresco folder “dissemination” <https://team.swisstph.ch/page/site/neh/documentlibrary#filter=path%7C%2FDissemination%7C&page=1>.
 - **Massimo Canali** (University of Bologna, Italy) gave an **oral presentation** (co-author: Maurizio Aragrande, University of Bologna, Italy) at the Global One Health Forum in Davos, Switzerland (October 2015) on “An operational tool to enhance One Health interdisciplinarity”. **Barbara Haesler** and **Simon Ruegg** also gave presentations at the event and made good publicity for the network. More information and presentations can be found here: <http://neh.onehealthglobal.net/front-page-news/neh-at-the-3rd-gr-one-health-summit-in-davos/>
 - **Maurizio Aragrande** (University of Bologna, Italy) gave a “**pitch**” **3 to 5 min presentation** on NEOH at the European Public Health Conference in Milan, Italy (October 2015) on "Societal challenges requiring strong communication & advocacy". Co-authors: Martijn Bouwknegt (National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, the Netherlands), Massimo Canali (University of Bologna, Italy), Laura Cornelsen (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK)
 - Daniele De Meneghi (University of Turin, Italy), Sara Savić (Scientific Veterinary Institute Novi Sad, Serbia), Sabina Šerić-Haračić (Veterinary faculty Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina), Barbara Haesler had a talk accepted on “Development of a standardized methodology for evaluating interdisciplinary pro-health activities: the Network for Evaluation of One Health (NEOH-Cost action TD1404)”. **Oral presentation** given by **Sabina Šerić-Haračić** (on behalf of **Daniele de Meneghi**) at the International Congress One World - One Health - One Vision in Sarajevo (October 2015).
 - **Dragan Milićević** (Institute of Meat Hygiene and Technology, Serbia) et al. presented several NEOH related papers at the international 58th Meat Conference held in the Zlatibor, Serbia (October 2015): <http://www.mesim.rs/>
 - **Poster prize!** A NEOH poster by **Marilena Filippitzi** (Ghent University, Belgium), Luís Pedro Carmo (University of Bern, Switzerland), Daniele De Meneghi (University of Turin, Italy), Liza Rosenbaum Nielsen (University of Copenhagen, Denmark) and Barbara Häsler on “Transdisciplinary collaboration across Europe to promote Global Health: Network for Evaluation of One Health (NEOH)” won the first prize in the poster competition at the Annual Scientific Conference of the European College of Veterinary Public Health (ECVPH) in October 2015 in Belgrade, Serbia.



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- A NEOH **poster** was presented by **Ann Lindberg** et al. at the conference of the International Society for Veterinary Epidemiology and Economics (ISVEE) in Merida, Mexico (November 2015). Laura Falzon (Veterinary Public Health Institute, Switzerland) gave a presentation on the ECVPH residents research project on systematic literature review on OH; she quoted and acknowledged the collaboration with NEOH and created a wonderful opportunity for Barbara Haesler to make people aware of the network.
- **Karin Artursson** (National Veterinary Institute, Sweden) et al. presented a **NEOH poster** and **Barbara Haesler** introduced NEOH in her **talk** “Assessing the benefits of One Health approaches” at the MedVetNet Association scientific conference “Global Challenges in foodborne zoonoses: combating emerging threats using a One-Health approach”, Paris, France (October 2015).
- **Ann Lindberg** (National Veterinary Institute, Sweden) et al. attended a workshop in Hanoi (August 2015) under the framework of the US initiative “The Global Health Security Agenda” (GHSA, <http://www.cdc.gov/globalhealth/security/index.htm>), focusing on GHSA’s action package on zoonotic diseases (ZDAP, http://www.cdc.gov/globalhealth/security/actionpackages/zoonotic_disease.htm). NEOH was represented through the Swedish delegates, and **leaflets** reportedly disappeared like “butter in sunshine” (Swedish expression)...
- **Abstracts** have been submitted for the 26th European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (pending - John Rossen et al.) and the ESOF conference 2016 in Manchester – UK (pending – Haesler et al).
- **We do have an unused Early Career Investigator Conference grant, see website <http://neoh.onehealthglobal.net/early-career-investigator-conference-grant/> – please do apply and/or ask your junior colleagues to apply!**
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- **NEOH PUBLICATIONS:**
 - Conference proceedings: see above
 - **Letter to the editor:** **Eva Haxton** (Uppsala University Hospital, Sweden), **Špela Šinigoj** (Slovenia), and **Ana Rivière-Cinnamond** (PAHO/WHO, Peru) have published in Infection Ecology and Epidemiology on our Network: “The Network for Evaluation of One Health: evidence-based added value of One Health”
http://www.infectionecologyandepidemiology.net/index.php/iee/article/view/28164/pdf_21
 - **Manuscript:** Barry McMahon (University College Dublin, Ireland), Simon Ruegg (University of Zurich, Switzerland), and Ann Lindberg (National Veterinary Institute, Sweden) are leading the preparation of a manuscript on “What makes One Health One Health” illustrating and discussing the outcomes of the workshop in Cluj.
 - **Manuscript:** David Adamson (U o Queensland, Australia) is working on a manuscript on “Decision Making and One-Health: What can we learn from IPM?” (Abstract: A key realisation in the development of an economist is that the tools and techniques learnt can generally be applied to all problems. By extrapolating from that step this paper debates that the economic foundations of one-health are identical to the economics of integrated pest management



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(IPM). If this argument holds true, then the rules applicable to IPM are equally applicable to One-Health. This linkage of concepts then provides practitioners of One-Health with access to a new source of detailed historical literature identifying both the positives and negatives associated with the adoption, adaptation and evolution of IPM. These findings then may provide One-Health decision makers from stumbling into the same errors as the development of IPM policy).

- **Manuscript:** Roberto Esposito (Italian Institute of Health) is leading work on a publication on One Health governance
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• NEOH STSMS:

- The third call for applications with a particular focus on inclusiveness countries was published in October 2015
- Luís Pedro Carmo (Veterinary Public Health Institute, Switzerland) has successfully completed a STSM at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- Laura Falzon (Veterinary Public Health Institute, Switzerland) did a STSM at the Royal Veterinary College, United Kingdom
- Applications have been pre-approved for Soledad Cuevas (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine) for a STSM at Università di Bologna, Italy; for Maria Eleni Filippitzi at Agence française de développement (AFD), Paris (FR) and for Elena Boriani at University of Zurich (CH). One application was rejected.
- All completed and signed off reports are made available on our NEOH website: <http://neoh.onehealthglobal.net/short-term-scientific-missions/>

• NEWS FROM COST:

- Due to the shift to H2020 and the need to align COST finance reporting with the H2020 reporting structures, instead of having a single two year grant period from 01-01-2015 to 31-12-2016, we now have **three grant periods**, namely:
 - GP1 (ended): 01-01-2015 to 30-09-2015
 - GP2 (running): 01-10-2015 to 30-04-2015
 - GP3 (tbc): 01-05-2015 – will run for either 8 or 12 months – still to be decided by COSTThis does not have any implications on the budget available, but requires more admin work, in particular from the grant manager (Houda Bennani) and the grant holder (RVC).
- Over the summer and autumn months, Houda Bennani (grant manager), Barbara Haesler and staff working for the grant holder (RVC) in the financial and research offices put in a lot of effort to put together all the documentation needed for the **first financial report**, which has been **approved** by the COST office. You can find the summary on Alfresco in the folder management committee -> financial report: [https://team.swisstph.ch/page/site/neoh/documentlibrary#filter=path%7C%2FManagement%](https://team.swisstph.ch/page/site/neoh/documentlibrary#filter=path%7C%2FManagement%2F)



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- **NEOH WEBSITE:** Provides all relevant information on NEOH activities, news, events, etc.; professionally and efficiently maintained by **Iona Beange**.
 - **Can everybody please check that your name appears on the list of members (<http://neoh.onehealthglobal.net/members/>) with the appropriate link to your staff/linkedin/other profile and if it doesn't, please ask Iona (ICONZ@ed.ac.uk) to add the relevant details? Thank you.**
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