







Swiss Public Health Conference 2021

COVID-19 and the public health management of pandemics - 50 years of ISPM Bern

Tuesday, August 24 th 2021 Pre-Conference (online)		
15:00	Parallel Workshops I	
16:45	Parallel Workshops II	
Wednesday, August 25 th 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 Puhán, director, Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute, University of Zurich (ger) </p> <p>Public health for the whole society Markus Mader, Director 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, Chief medical officer Canton Schwyz (ger) </p> <p>Susi Kriemler, Professor, Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute, University of Zurich (ger) </p>
17:15	<p>Panel discussion The role of schools in the pandemic</p>	<p>Samuel Rohrbach, president Syndicat des enseignant-es romand-es SER (fr) </p> <p>Stéphanie Dagon, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Geneva (fr) </p>

Thursday, August 26 th 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 Büttler , 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)	Rudolf Hauri , President Swiss Association of Cantonal Officers of Health (ger)  Oliver Hümbelin , Professor, Social Work, University of Applied Sciences Bern (ger)  n.n. Swiss Society for Intensive Care Medicine SGI (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? (online) 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? n.n.
16:15	Final remarks	Corina Wirth , Director of the Swiss Society for Public Health Nino Künzli , Director SSPH+
16:45	End of conference	

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