

HEPA Europe

European network for the promotion of Health-Enhancing Physical Activity



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Executive summary

1. Background and overview

This meeting of the Steering Committee of HEPA Europe was convened to review progress with implementation of the 2014/2015 work programme and to update on relevant international developments. In addition, the applications for membership received since the last meeting were assessed. Input was also given to the preparations of the 11th annual meeting and 6th conference. Experiences with re-dissemination of tasks within the Steering Committee were also discussed. In addition, guidance on supporting funding proposals was developed and next steps in implementing the funding strategies for HEPA Europe were confirmed.

The meeting was kindly hosted by the French Society for Public Health and chaired by Tommi Vasankari, UKK Centre for Health Promotion Research, Finland. 11 members of the Steering Committee attended it. The meeting was kindly prepared and assisted by the Faculty of Sport, University Lorraine, France, and the Epidemiology, Biostatics and Prevention Institute (EBPI) of the University of Zurich, Switzerland.

2. Evaluation of applications for membership

Both new applications received since the last meeting were supported by the participants. The applicants will become temporary members and will be proposed to the network for confirmation at the 11th annual meeting on 9 October in Istanbul, Turkey.

3. Update on recent, relevant activities and developments

Updates were given on the ongoing activities at the international level, including:

- activities of the WHO
- activities of the EU
- other international activities

4. Work programme 2014/2015 and funding

Participants took note of the update on the state of affairs on the implementation of the work programme. They also agreed next steps regarding the short- and medium-term funding for HEPA Europe. They also discussed a draft guidance document on support from HEPA Europe for funding applications.

5. Annual meetings of HEPA Europe

An update on preparations of the 11th annual meeting and 6th conference to take place on 7-9 October 2015 in Istanbul, Turkey, was given. The meeting will be hosted by the Active Living Association in association with Hacettepe University, Faculty of Sport Sciences, and the Association for Promotion of Healthy Life and Health Policies. Co-sponsorship by WHO Regional Office for Europe will be sought.

6. Other business and next meetings of the Steering Committee

A phone conference will take place on 16 September 2015 to discuss new applications and the draft work programme 2015/2016 as well as other urgent items in time before the annual meeting. The Steering Committee will hold an informal meeting on 6 October 2015 before the start of the annual meeting and conference in Istanbul. Further meeting dates will be set during this meeting.

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