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Experience of a beneficiary of the EU4Health Programme



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An operating grant & action grant

★ Operating grant

Call: financial contribution to the functioning of health non-governmental bodies implementing one or more specific objectives of the EU4Health Programme.

★ Action grant

Call: for developing a pilot project for an EU infrastructure ecosystem for the secondary use of health data for research, policy-making and regulatory purposes.



Key message

Operating grants are an essential tool for health organisations in Europe, like EUPHA, to ensure:

- ★ participating in the health debate,
- ★ making sure an independent voice of the health community is heard, and
- ★ taking part in the health policy making process.



Who is EUPHA

The European Public Health Association (EUPHA) is the umbrella organization for public health associations and institutes in Europe.

EUPHA is an international, multidisciplinary, scientific organization, bringing together over 39,000 public health professionals for exchange and collaboration throughout Europe and responsible for organizing the largest annual public health event in Europe.



EUPHA mission and vision

- ★ Our vision is of improved health and well-being and narrowing health inequalities for all Europeans.
- ★ Our mission is to facilitate and activate a strong voice of the public health network by enhancing visibility of the evidence and by strengthening the capacity of public health professionals.



EUPHA members

- ★ 46 national associations of public health
- ★ 27 institutional members
- ★ 9 individual members
- ★ 2 global members
- ★ 13 partners



Voicing knowledge – enhancing capacity

EUPHA's 2020-2025 strategy is based on a Triple A approach: Analysis. Advocacy. Action.



European Journal of Public Health

A multidisciplinary journal in the field of public health published bimonthly specific focused on the European region.

2021: [Supplement on COVID-19](#)

The impact factor is 4.424.

The 5-year impact factor is 4.238.



EUPHA: as a leading voice in Public Health

- ✦ Facts and Fiction on e-cigs (August 2018)
- ✦ Vaccine confidence seminar in Brussels (November 2018)
- ✦ European Public Health WEEK, an initiative by EUPHA (since 2019, mid-May)
- ✦ Replies to many public consultations of the European Commission
- ✦ Statement on sharing of rights, know-how and technology to maximise COVID-19 vaccine production (2021)
- ✦ Statement on sexual and reproductive health (2021)
- ✦ Health is at stake in the Ukraine invasion (25 Feb 2022)



European Public Health Week

- ✦ Make the case for public health and a more inclusive society across Europe
- ✦ Raise awareness and amplify existing messages on five specific public themes, in line with key organisations at European level
- ✦ Create trust and innovative ways of collaboration among all professionals contributing to public health at health at local, national, regional and European level.

In 2023 the EUPHW is held 22-26 May.



EUPHAnxt

- ★ Network for students and early career public health professionals
- ★ Currently **3,426 subscribers**
- ★ Internship mediation
- ★ Abstract mentoring programme
- ★ Activities at EPH Conferences
- ★ Newsletters + social media updates with opportunities for young professionals



EUPHA sections

26 active theme-specific sections

EUPHA sections bring together researchers, policymakers and practitioners working in the same field for knowledge sharing and capacity building.

EUPHA sections organise different activities throughout the year that range from:

- ★ Satellite meetings
- ★ Projects
- ★ Section newsletters
- ★ Pre-conferences and workshops linked to the EPH Conference
- ★ Representing EUPHA in advisory bodies of international organisations
- ★ Representing EUPHA at meetings and conferences



2018-
2021

2022

EUPHA Operating grants

- Financial contribution (60% co-funding) for implementing one or more specific objectives of the EU4Health Programme (2021-2027)
- Eligible costs: general management costs, general running costs, including personnel costs.
- Recognised as playing a major role in the field of health, and specially public health, at Union, national and local levels.



Operating grant = good investment for public health (1/2)*

- ★ Operating grants ensure long-term sustainability and capacity for health non-governmental organisations.
- ★ Operating grants allow health NGOs to directly add value by connecting and building bridges:
 - Action: listening and amplifying the voices of communities, as well as the NGOs' members and partners
 - Action: incorporating their stakeholders' voices into the policy discussion, and by partnering in policy implementation
 - Action: running initiatives on the ground on national and regional level.

Operating grant = good investment for public health (2/2)*

- These actions require a stable organization, and operating grants have proved a worthy enterprise, offering stable and predictable funding to NGOs
- It is our direct experience that the operating grants remain a valued mechanism in the EU health policymaking to ensure adequate funding for NGOs and enable their role in the health debate, making sure that the voice of the most vulnerable is heard.



EU4health CALLS FOR :

Civil Society Alliance

- The continuation of the **Operating Grants** for health organisations **beyond 2022**
- The inclusion of a **3-4-year multi-annual framework agreement** for Operating Grants in the EU4Health Work Programme 2023



Our partnership 🇪🇺 civil society is essential in making our #HealthUnion priorities a reality.

I was delighted to meet representatives of health CSOs today and to confirm our continued support through operating grants from the #EU4Health programme.



EU Health - #HealthUnion and European Commission 🇪🇺

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EHDS2 Pilot project

- Financial contribution (80% co-funding) for action on the European Health Data Space (EHDS)
- It will build a pilot version of the European Health Data Space (EHDS) for the secondary use of health data which will serve research, innovation, policy making and regulatory purposes.
- EUPHA is leading the communication and dissemination of the project.



EHDS
HealthData@EU Pilot

*Reference

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