

# Networks and Working Groups relating to migration and health within the WHO European Region

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Name	Aim	Location (HQ)	Activities	Membership	Established
<p><b><u>ASPPH/ASPHER Global Network for Academic Public Health</u></b></p>	<p>Convenes leaders from around the world to share, learn, collaborate, and act to advance academic public health. It addresses issues of global concern related to academic public health and provides a venue to strengthen relationships among Network members. Specifically, the Global Network seeks to enrich the conversation and action of its members through multicultural, multinational, and multilateral engagements and partnerships</p>	<p>Brussels, Belgium + Washington, DC</p>	<p>Meetings, Online Community, Publications, Webinars, Resources, Policy Statements</p>	<p>30+ member organisations. Membership in the Global Network is limited to leadership from global academic public health institutions, including leaders of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-National, regional, and global associations representing academic public health institutions</li> <li>-National, regional, and global organizations and associations that engage in public health training and workforce development</li> <li>-Schools/programs and academic institutions/departments of public health that are members of an association representing academic public health institutions that are part of the Global Network</li> </ul>	<p>May 2020-present</p>
<p><b><u>AVERROES Network - Improving access to health care for asylum seekers and undocumented migrants in the EU</u></b></p>	<p>Médecins du Monde (MdM) aims at documenting asylum seekers and undocumented migrants' access to health care in the EU. MdM also seeks to promote these populations' right to access health care on equal terms with</p>	<p>Paris, France</p>	<p>Research, field surveys, and awareness raising activities at national and EU levels</p>	<p>NGO network covering 19 EU Member States</p>	<p>2008-2011</p>

	nationals, and a right to protection against deportation for seriously ill foreigners.				
<b><u>Caritas Europe</u></b>	Catholic network working with people of all faiths to end poverty and to promote the dignity of all people. Work is inspired by the 7 principles of Catholic Social Teaching, with a particular attention to the preferential option for the poor and vulnerable. This means that we focus primarily on the poorest and most vulnerable in our societies, not least those who are newly arrived in Europe as migrants or refugees.	Brussels, Belgium	Policy, advocacy	49 member organisations in 46 countries across the European continent	1971 (formerly Eurocaritas) -present
<b><u>Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe</u></b>	To serve the churches in their commitment to promote the vision of an inclusive community through advocating for an adequate policy for migrants, refugees and minority groups at European and national level.	Brussels, Belgium	Works on issues of migration and integration, asylum and refugees, and against racism and discrimination, undertakes research, initiates, develops and implements projects in these fields; represents the common voice of the	35 members from 19 countries all over Europe, as well as 2 associated organizations	1964-present

			churches in Europe on the above issues vis-à-vis the European institutions.		
<b><u>Correlation – European Harm Reduction Network (C-EHRN)</u></b>	To tackle health inequalities in Europe and to improve prevention, care and treatment services. The focus is on blood-borne infectious diseases (BBID), in particular Hepatitis C and HIV/AIDS among vulnerable and high risk populations (e.g. drug users, migrants and young people at risk).	Amsterdam, The Netherlands	Monitoring, capacity building, advocacy	20+ national member organizations	2004-present
<b><u>CPME Working Group on Refugee Health</u></b>	CPME’s policies focus on refugees’ rights and needs relating to health. They are based on the principle that doctors must provide appropriate healthcare to every patient, regardless of ethnicity, background, legal status or other factors. Medical ethics and patient-doctor confidentiality must be upheld. It is also vital to pay special attention and find appropriate	Brussels, Belgium	Policy statements, advocacy	The Standing Committee of European Doctors is composed of 28 members. An organisation representing medical doctors may become a member of the Standing Committee with voting rights if it is the most representative non-governmental national medical organisation of one of the countries of the European Union or one of the signatory countries of the European Economic Area agreement.	?-present

	<p>responses to refugees' specific vulnerabilities, e.g. relating to mental health. CPME also discusses the situation of doctors with a refugee background and approaches to integrating them into the medical workforce</p>				
<b><u>EuroHealthNet</u></b>	<p>To improve and sustain health between and within European States through action on the social determinants of health. To tackle health inequalities. A not-for-profit partnership of organisations, agencies and statutory bodies working on public health, disease prevention, promoting health, and reducing inequalities.</p>	Brussels, Belgium	<p>Policy and project development, knowledge and expertise exchange, research, networking, and communications.</p>	<p>National, regional or local institutions can join as members. Non-statutory bodies can join as associate members of one or more of the three platforms (Policy, Research, and Practice). Annual membership fees apply.</p>	1996-present
<b><u>EUPHA Migrant and ethnic minority health section</u></b>	<p>To increase and spread knowledge on ethnic differences in health and health care, on explanations for these differences, on interventions that aim to tackle these differences. Furthermore, the section</p>	Utrecht, The Netherlands	<p>Advise the section President and vice-President about issues such as strategy and activities of the section, collaboration with external partners, and the role/position of the section within EUPHA</p>	<p>Multiple universities. Currently has 1999 individual section members.</p>	2003-present

	aims at setting methodological standards for European countries to identify ethnic groups to promote exchange of information and provide a basis for comparative studies. Next to these academic aims, the section aims at increasing political attention at national and European levels for consequences of migration for health and health care.		Support the section President and vice-President with the execution of section related tasks, such as consulting section members on specific topics, preparing the section's annual meeting, and writing news updates Representation at conferences and other events.		
<b><u>European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE)</u></b>	To protect and advance the rights of refugees, asylum-seekers and other forcibly displaced persons in Europe and in Europe's external policies.	Brussels, Belgium	Legal Support and Litigation, Advocacy, and Communication	Alliance of 106 NGOs across 40 European countries.	1974-present
<b><u>European Network of Community Health Mediators</u></b>	To act as a platform for communication, increase the visibility of the work of the health mediators and different mediation models in the EU, and provide an opportunity for harmonization of training programmes and implementation of joint training programmes and exchanges	Brussels, Belgium	Database for exchange of promotion materials, videos, handbooks translated into multiple languages, as well as link with other EU/regional initiatives on health and mediation	Coordinated by IOM in partnership with the Federal Public Service for Health (Belgium), the National Network of Health Mediators (Bulgaria), the National Institute for Public Health (Romania), CESPYPD University of Seville and the Catalanian Public Health Agency (Spain), the Association pour l' Accueil des	2013-present

				Voyageurs (France) and other partners	
<b><u>European Rural and Isolated Practitioners Association</u></b>	Founded by family doctors to address the health and wellbeing needs of rural communities and the professional needs of those serving them across Europe. A recognized network of WONCA Europe.	Ljubljana, Slovenia	Research, communications, advocacy, training	Individual membership is open to any rural health care practitioner who is actively working in rural health care and rural academics (for example, medical, rural health special interest). Individuals interested in rural health, rural health care issues and EURIPA are also invited to become members of EURIPA	1996-present
<b>European Migration Network (EMN)</b>	Provides information on migration and asylum with a view to supporting policymaking in the European Union	Brussels, Belgium	Gathers information and knowledge on emerging issues relating to asylum and migration in Europe. Produce reports, studies and policy briefs with analysis of policy and legislative development and implementation. The EMN publishes the latest news in a regular bulletin and maintains a glossary of migration and asylum-related terms.	National Contact Points (EMN NCPs) are established in all Member States (except Denmark) and Norway. Each EMN NCPs is appointed by the relevant national government.	2008-present
<b><u>European Medical Students' Association (EMSA) Medical Ethics and Human Rights Pillar</u></b>	To empower medical students to defend and actively promote Human Rights within society, whilst raising awareness	Brussels, Belgium	Multiple projects taking place through national member organisations, advocacy	Medical students join through their National Member Organisation, which pays an annual fee. Individual paid membership is also possible.	1990-present

	of ethical matters in health.				
<b>EUropean Refugees-HUman Movement and Advisory Network (EUR-HUMAN)</b>	to enhance the capacity of European member states who accept migrants and refugees in addressing their health needs, safeguard them from risks, and minimize cross-border health risks.	Crete, Greece	Clinical protocols, guidelines together with health education and promotion material and as well as a training programme will be developed for staff serving the refugees and migrants health care centre and tailored protocols and pilot testing in six implementation settings.	University of Crete (Coordinator) Stichting Katholieke Universiteit University of Liverpool Netherlands Institute for Health Services Research Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Medizinische Universität Wien Univerza V Ljubljani European Forum for Primary Care Local Health Authority of Empoli Arq Psychotrauma Expert Group University of Debrecen	2014-2020
<b><u>European NGO Platform for Migration and asylum</u></b>	Meeting-place of European NGOs and networks seeking to contribute to the development of asylum and migration policy in the EU.	N/A	Regularly meet to exchange information and views on EU developments and to coordinate EU level advocacy actions	20+ NGOs and Networks	1994-present
<b><u>European Programme for Integration and Migration</u></b>	Initiative of 25 private foundations with the goal of strengthening the role of civil society in building inclusive communities and in developing humane	Brussels, Belgium	Grant-making, capacity development, knowledge support, connecting actors.	CSOs and private foundations	2005-present

	and sustainable responses to migration, based on Europe's commitment to universal human rights and social justice				
<b>ESCMID Study Group for Infections in Travellers and Migrants - ESGITM</b>	Promoting collaborative research to obtain multi-center data on the epidemiology, clinical presentation and prevention of travel-related infections	Basel, Switzerland	Collaborative research, educational events, awareness raising	Open to all ESCMID members who are interested and working in fields covered by the Study Group. There are no membership fees to the Study Group	?-present
<b><u>FEAM, Federation of European Academies of Medicine and ALLEA, the European Federation of Academies of Sciences and Humanities</u></b>	FEAM and ALLEA join their voices to call for the collection of reliable, validated and comparable data as well as for a wider and continuous dialogue between sectors and disciplines to inform policies and combat myths around migration and health.	Brussels, Belgium & Berlin, Germany	two joint conferences hosted by the Belgian Academies of Medicine (ARMB, KAGB, November 2019, Brussels) and by the French Academy of Medicine (Paris, January 2020), ECDC Virtual Academy, study coordination, policy dialogue	Universities and Institutions	?-present
<b>Health for Undocumented Migrants and Asylum seekers (HUMA) Network</b>	To promote access to health care on equal grounds as nationals for undocumented migrants and asylum seekers within the European Union	Coordination team based in Paris, Brussels and Madrid	Advocacy, Publications	The HUMA network is present in 16 EU member states and gathers 10 Médecins du Monde organisations and 6 other members	?-?ended

	*formerly the AVERROS Network				
<b>Human Mobility and Global Health' Working Group, Federation of European Societies for Tropical Medicine &amp; International Health (FESTMIH)</b>	TBA (under development)	Alicante, Spain	TBA	Individuals from FESTMIH national member organisations	2020-present
<b><u>International Federation of Medical Students (IFMSA) Standing Committee on Human Rights and Peace</u></b>	To empower and motivate medical students to actively promote and protect human rights and peace through advocacy, capacity building, and awareness raising, and by supporting the students in carrying out activities and projects that contribute to creating a fair and peaceful world.	Copenhagen, Denmark	Multiple projects taking place through national member organisations. Europe-wide annual advocacy campaigns	Medical students join through their National Member Organisation, which pays an annual fee.	1951-present
<b>Karolinska Social medicine, infectious diseases and migration (SIM) Research Group</b>	Studies social determinants and consequences of disease, evaluates interventions to improve health care access and equity, assesses the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of screening programmes and	Stockholm, Sweden	Uses social epidemiology, qualitative methods, digital technology as well as health economy and implementation research methods.	None	? -present

	determines health needs of migrants.				
<b>M8 Alliance Expert Group on Migrant Health</b>	Global experts examining the health of migrants and refugees.	Rome, Italy / World Health Summit Berlin	publications, conferences, meetings	Sapienza University of Rome, Institute of Global Health, University of Geneva, Charité, Universitätsmedizin Berlin	2017-present
<b>Migration Health and Development Research Initiative (MHADRI)</b>	To advance evidence-informed global migration health policies and practices (through the unique international migration health researchers' collaboration) that will improve the health and wellbeing of people and communities affected by migration.	Brussels, Belgium	Research collaborative	Migration Health Division (MHD) of the IOM, in partnership with several academic institutions and researchers	2016-present
<b>Migration and Development Working Group, Maastricht UNU-MERIT</b>	Engages in research on the causes and consequences of migration (including both forced and unforced movements).	Maastricht, Netherlands	Research	UNU Migration Network, WHO EURO	?-present
<b><u>Migration Policy Group</u></b>	To inspire networks to provide evidence-based projects, research and campaigns in the areas of integration, migration and anti-discrimination.	Brussels, Belgium	Independent analyses	Ongoing working relationships with over 135 organisations, including the European institutions, UNHCR, ECRE, PICUM, Eurocities, Social Platform, IMISCOE, ENAR and Equinet.	1995-present

<b><u>MigEurop</u></b>	To raise awareness about the detention of migrants in Europe	Paris, France	Advocacy, lobbying	50 associations and 52 individual members in 17 countries across Europe, Africa, and the Middle East	?-present
<b><u>Mixed Migration Centre Europe Regional Hub</u></b>	To increase understanding of mixed migration, to positively impact global and regional migration policies, to inform evidence-based protection responses for people on the move and to stimulate forward thinking in public and policy debates on mixed migration. The MMC's overarching focus is on human rights and protection for all people on the move. The Europe Hub focuses on data collection in Italy and Greece interviewing refugees and migrants from Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Pakistan, Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan. The ambition is to expand data collection and analysis to cover other migration routes in Europe, both in countries of first arrival and across routes further within Europe.	Geneva, Switzerland	Research	<p>The 4Mi data collection in Italy and Greece is part of the project 'Advancing Alternative Migration Governance' (ADMIGOV) funded by the European Union – Horizon2020.</p> <p>In Greece, MMC is partner with KMOP.</p> <p>In Italy, MMC is partner with Oxfam.</p>	February 2019-present

<p><b><u>MyHealth European Network</u></b></p>	<p>A Facebook platform to establish a place where professionals can share, comment, discuss, upload any kind of tools, events and news that could facilitate the access to health to new arrived immigrants to Europe.</p>	<p>Barcelona, Spain</p>	<p>Knowledge and resource-sharing</p>	<p>Open to any healthcare professionals who want to help vulnerable migrants</p>	<p>2018-present</p>
<p><b><u>Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants (PICUM)</u></b></p>	<p>Generates and coordinates a humane and informed response to undocumented migrants' realities and provides a platform to engage policy makers and the general public in the full realisation of their rights</p>	<p>Brussels, Belgium</p>	<p>Publications and campaigns</p>	<p>167 member organisations in 35 countries. PICUM membership is open to non-profit and NGOs working with or for the rights of undocumented migrants and who are committed to PICUM's vision, mission and values. This network includes grassroots, national level, migrant community organisations, service providers, trade unions and others engaged in a variety of activities from information and advice, mediation, legal aid, research, and policy analysis, and advocacy. PICUM's membership fee ranges from €50 to €3000 according to the member organisation's annual income.</p>	<p>2001-present</p>

<p><b><u>Radboud University Network on Migrant Inclusion (RUNOMI)</u></b></p>	<p>RUNOMI activities are focusing on three domains related to migrant inclusion: economic inclusion, social inclusion, and migrant access to public services, healthcare and housing. RUNOMI scholars are affiliated with the Nijmegen School of Management, the faculties of Arts, Law, Social Sciences, Philosophy, Theology and Religious Studies and the Radboud University Medical Centre.</p>	<p>Nijmegen, The Netherlands</p>	<p>Seminars, teaching, engaging with practitioners to contribute to design, implementation and evaluation of effective (local) policies.</p>	<p>Must be an employee of Radboud University. Must be involved in research in the field of migrant inclusion.</p>	<p>2018-present</p>
<p><b>Roma Health Network</b></p>	<p>To support the participation of Roma civil society in the development, implementation and monitoring of public policies impacting Roma, particularly public health, across the European Union.</p>	<p>Brussels, Belgium</p>	<p>Policy dialogue, webinars, advocacy campaigns</p>	<p>Nine supporting organisations (to date). Open membership applications.</p>	<p>2018-present</p>
<p><b><u>SIRIUS – Policy Network on Migrant Education</u></b></p>	<p>Brings together key stakeholders in migration and education from around Europe, including policy makers,</p>	<p>Brussels, Belgium</p>	<p>Projects, policy dialogue</p>	<p>Full Members can be any non-profit organisation at any level of governance, any university or any research centre. Full Members are invited and can</p>	<p>2012--present</p>

	<p>researchers, practitioners and representatives of migrant communities. SIRIUS transfers knowledge and influences policy developments in order to help pupils from a migrant background achieve the same educational standards as their native peers.</p>			<p>participate to any event organised by the Network. Full Members are expected to attend (or be validly represented) the General Assembly where they have the right to speak and vote. They have the right to propose a candidate from their employees or their board members to become a member of the Board. Full members have to pay the full amount of membership fee that depends on the budget approved by the General Assembly for the following year. Currently the membership fee for full members is of 300 EUR per year.</p>	
<p><b>TAMPEP European Network for the Promotion of Rights and Health among Migrant Sex Workers</b></p>	<p>Seeks to advance the rights and health of migrant and mobile sex workers across Europe.</p>	<p>Amsterdam, Netherlands</p>	<p>Advocacy, training manuals, information</p>	<p>Multiple national organisations in 26 countries</p>	<p>1993-present</p>
<p><b>United Nations University Migration Network</b></p>	<p>Research platform across Institutes of the UNU that shares expertise on Migration. to support the sharing of knowledge and research practices; to find links between supposedly</p>	<p>Maastricht, Netherlands</p>	<p>Publications, events</p>	<p>Centre for Policy Research (UNU-CPR) – New York, United States Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS) – Bruges, Belgium</p>	<p>?-present</p>

	<p>different approaches to the study of migration, such as those between environmental causes for migration and economic consequences; to inform policy on matters related to human security; to promote comparative regional perspectives on migration; to consider patterns of internal migration; to jointly influence governments or regions</p>			<p>Institute on Computing and Society (UNU-CS) – Macau, China          Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS) – Bonn, Germany          Institute for Water, Environment and Health (UNU-INWEH) – Hamilton, Canada          Maastricht Economic and Social Research Institute on Innovation and Technology (UNU-MERIT) – Maastricht, The Netherlands          United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER) – Helsinki, Finland</p>	
<p><b>UN Global Migration Group</b></p>	<p>Was an inter-agency group bringing together heads of agencies to promote the wider application of all relevant international and regional instruments and norms relating to migration, and to encourage the adoption of more coherent, comprehensive and better coordinated approaches to the issue of international migration.</p>	<p>Geneva, Switzerland</p>	<p>Leadership, support, information, collaboration</p>	<p>UN bodies</p>	<p>2006-2018</p>

<b>UN Network on Migration</b>	to ensure effective, timely and coordinated system-wide support to Member States for supporting the implementation, follow-up and review of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM)	Geneva, Switzerland	Leadership, support, information, collaboration	N/A	2018-present
<b><u>Voices of Young Refugees in Europe</u></b>	To unify and strengthen the voices of individual young refugees and refugee organisations in Europe.	Strasbourg, France	Advocacy, lobbying	Young Refugees in Europe, Member Organizations	2008- ?
<b><u>WHO Global Health Workforce Network</u></b>	Operates within WHO as a global mechanism for stakeholder consultation, dialogue and coordination on comprehensive and coherent health workforce policies in support of the implementation of the Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health and the recommendations the Commission.	Geneva, Switzerland	Collaboration and dialogue with the key technical agencies (e.g. ILO, UNESCO, WB) with a mandate that goes beyond the health sector focus of WHO	Global	2016--present
<b>WHO Knowledge Hub on Health and Migration</b>	Offers a platform for governments, programme implementers, academicians and researchers, international organizations, non-	Copenhagen, Denmark	Summer school, webinars, knowledge library, Migration and Health Knowledge Management (MIHKMA) project	Italian MoH, CHAFAA (EC), Sicily Health Council.	November 2016-present

	governmental organizations and civil society to build upon available evidence, and creates a platform for dialogue and critical thinking on this complex and interdisciplinary field				
<b>WONCA Special Interest Group: Migrant Care, Int Health &amp; Travel Medicine</b>	To improve the knowledge and skills of general practitioners as well as the organisational and financial conditions to deliver cultural competent, good quality of primary care to migrants of all kinds: travellers, economic migrants as well as refugees including the undocumented.	Nijmegen, The Netherlands	Exchange of useful tools and initiatives, Personal exchange visits, Research Projects, Publications, Conference Presentations	Open to primary care doctors worldwide, ongoing basis	2011-present