

# Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health

## *Managing the public health aspects of migration*

### Programme

Syracuse, Italy

10–14 July 2017

The Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health is organized by the WHO Regional Office for Europe with the support of the Italian Ministry of Health and the Sicily Regional Health Authority, and in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration, the European Commission and the European Public Health Association.



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### A message from the WHO Regional Director for Europe



It is an honour to welcome you to the inaugural Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health. You are now part of a pioneering movement to enhance the way in which the WHO European Region and the world approach the health and health care of refugees and migrants. The Summer School aims to improve all participants' knowledge and understanding of the primary health issues and needs of such populations, as well as the broader public health and health system implications of large-scale migration in origin, transit and destination countries. This course bridges research and policy with practice, sharing practical, real-world knowledge and experience and fostering debate and critical thinking.

The theme of the first Summer School is “Managing the public health aspects of migration”. The five days of this intensive course offers both lectures by experts and practical, hands-on exercises. In order to provide participants with first-hand knowledge of how the authorities in Italy currently manage public health challenges related to migration, the Summer School includes a field trip to a point of entry in Sicily that receives regular arrivals of refugees and migrants.

In addition to the course curriculum, you are invited to take advantage of the many networking opportunities that the course offers through social events and the possibility for course alumni to connect with the migration and health work of the WHO Regional Office for Europe through its Knowledge Hub on Health and Migration and other ongoing initiatives.

In closing, I strongly encourage your thoughtful contributions and input to the discussions, question-and-answer sessions and workshops. The strength of the Summer School will largely depend on the interaction and participation of all involved.

Thank you for your commitment and dedication to the health and well-being of refugees and migrants. I look forward to future collaboration on refugee and migrant health throughout the European Region and beyond.

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*Dr Zsuzsanna Jakab*  
*WHO Regional Director for Europe*

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## Monday, 10 July 2017

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<b>08:30–09:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:00–10:00</b>	<b>Welcome and opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Santino Severoni, Coordinator, Migration and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe</li><li>• David Faraone, Secretary General, Ministry of Health, Italy</li><li>• Baldassare Gucciardi, Regional Health Council, Sicilian Region, Italy</li><li>• Ranieri Guerra, Director-General, Directorate General of Preventive Health, Ministry of Health, Italy</li></ul>
<b>10:00–11:30</b>	<b>Keynote lectures</b> <b>Promoting refugee and migrant health and well-being through continuous education</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jorge Sampaio, President, Global Platform for Syrian Students; former President of Portugal</li></ul> <b>The social determinants of refugee and migrant health</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Allan Krasnik, President, Section for Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health, European Public Health Association</li></ul> <i>Moderator:</i> Santino Severoni, Coordinator, Migration and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe
<b>11:30–12:00</b>	<b>Healthy break</b>
<b>12:00–13:00</b>	<b>Keynote lectures (continued)</b> <b>Migration trends and their health implications in European and global contexts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Davide Mosca, Director, Migration Health, International Organization for Migration</li></ul> <b>Refugees on the move – impact on rights, equality and access to public services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Andreas Kamm, Secretary General, Danish Refugee Council</li></ul> <i>Moderator:</i> Isabel de la Mata, Principal Advisor, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
<b>13:00–14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>14:00–15:00</b>	<b>Keynote lectures (continued)</b> <b>WHO European Region policy approaches to refugee and migrant health</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Santino Severoni, Coordinator, Migration and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe</li></ul> <b>European Union actions on migrant health</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Isabel de la Mata, Principal Advisor, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission</li></ul> <i>Moderator:</i> Richard Alderslade, Senior Public Health Consultant, WHO Regional Office for Europe
<b>15:00–15:30</b>	<b>Healthy break</b>
<b>15:30–16:30</b>	<b>Italian model of responding to the public health needs of refugees and migrants</b> <i>Presentations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ranieri Guerra, Director-General, Directorate General of Preventive Health, Ministry of Health, Italy</li><li>• Francesco Bongiorno, Regional Health Council, Sicilian Region, Italy</li></ul> <i>Moderator:</i> Bernadette Kumar, Director, Norwegian Centre for Migration and Minority Health
<b>18:00–21:00</b>	<b>Welcome reception hosted by the Regional Health Council of Sicily</b>

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**Tuesday, 11 July 2017**

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- 09:00–11:00**    **Plenary Session One: Cross-cutting perspectives for managing the public health aspects of refugee and migrant movements**
- Global perspectives influencing refugee and migrant health are introduced. An overview of the main legal frameworks related to refugee and migrant human rights will be discussed from a health perspective. Cultural contexts of health and well-being will be covered, along with why incorporating cultural awareness in policy-making is critical for public health.
- The right to health of migrants**
- Fanny Dufvenmark, Migration Law Expert, International Organization for Migration
- Rights-based approach to refugee and migrant health**
- Åsa Nihlen, Technical Officer, Gender and Rights, WHO Regional Office for Europe
- Culture and co-production in migrant health programmes**
- Roberta Blivins, Professor of History, University of Warwick
- Moderator:** Nils Fietje, Research Officer, Division of Information, Evidence, Research and Innovation, WHO Regional Office for Europe
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**11:00–11:30**    **Healthy break**

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- 11:30–13:30**    **Plenary Session Two: Health system leadership, capacity and financing for refugee and migrant health**
- Large population movements challenge national health system capacity to address the health rights and needs of refugees and migrants in countries along the migration routes to Europe. Multisectoral approaches and intercountry collaboration and coordination are key elements of an adequate response. Political sensitiveness and security concerns often drive national actions. Effective health leadership can overcome those concerns and re-orient priorities that promote political negotiation and innovative governance mechanisms within and among countries. Health systems are strongly influenced by their country context, such that no specific health system design or “best practice” can be used as a universal model for all countries. Effective delivery of health interventions, skilled and motivated health personnel, and sustainable and equitable financing are essential to address migrant health needs and rights.
- Health leadership can influence the political agenda. The essential public health system functions proposed by WHO provides a useful framework to assess, analyse and identify gaps in migrant health services delivery.
- Addressing the complexity of refugee and migrant movements from a health perspective**
- Santino Severoni, Coordinator, Migration and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe
- Assessing health systems capacity: presenting the WHO toolkit and the findings of country assessments**
- Giuseppe Annunziata, Senior Adviser, Migration and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe
- Financing migrant health and the economics of ill-health prevention**
- Franco Sassi, Director, Centre for Health Economics and Policy Innovation, Imperial College London
- Moderator:** Bernadette Kumar, Director, Norwegian Centre for Migration and Minority Health
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**13:30–14:30**    **Lunch break**

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- 14:30–17:00**    **Workshops**
- Participants are invited to attend one of the four concurrently offered workshops. The workshops highlight selected topics with in-depth focus and enable the practical application of information and knowledge delivered in the plenary sessions. Participants will critically examine a variety of concepts and approaches to migrant and refugee health and consider their practical application in a country and an inter-country context to improve the health and well-being of migrants and refugees.
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## Tuesday, 11 July 2017 (continued)

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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop One: Planning in advance to manage large influxes of refugees and migrants**  
Key components of an operational plan to address the health needs and rights of refugees and migrants along migration routes to Europe will be described, along with the steps needed for its development. The Sicilian regional contingency plan will be presented as an example.  
*Facilitators:*
- Giuseppe Annunziata, Senior Adviser, Migration and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe
  - Kolitha Wickramage, Coordinator, Global Migration Health Research and Epidemiology, International Organization for Migration
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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop Two: Risk assessment, public health profiling and health services planning**  
Good practices and tools for assessing health risks of migrants and refugees in receiving communities during different stages of mobility will be explored. Developing the public health profile of various mobile populations and planning adequate health services to address their needs will be discussed.  
*Facilitator:*
- Colleen Acosta, Epidemiologist, Emergency Information and Risk Assessment, WHO Regional Office for Europe
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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop Three: Migrant health information management**  
The aim is to gain a deeper understanding of the challenges and good practices related to data collection, analysis and reporting to monitor the health of migrants and refugees, both during a migration emergency and after resettlement. Participants will be able to identify key migration-related indicators, understand the importance of standardization in the way data are collected and exchange experiences in designing and implementing migrant health information systems.  
*Facilitator:*
- Bernd Rechel, Researcher, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies
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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop Four: Communicating with purpose on health and migration**  
The goal is to provide insight into the importance of communications for generating change and to assist participants in developing strategic communication plans on health and migration within their own spheres of influence. Participants will also learn how effective communication can affect public perception and influence policy, the integral link between evidence and storytelling for growing support and building engagement, and the importance of preparation and planning to mitigate communications crises.  
*Facilitator:*
- Alison Sanders Zimmer, Communications Adviser, Migration and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe
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- 17:00–17:30**     **Health practice on the front line**  
A discussion on the dangerous Mediterranean crossing endured by many refugees and migrants will be supported by first-hand experience. Pietro Bartolo provides treatment to refugees and migrants on their arrival to Lampedusa and Antonio Candela draws on his work coordinating the health response in Lampedusa and the Palermo region during the European migrant crisis.  
*Speakers:*
- Antonio Candela, Director General, Palermo and Lampedusa Health Authority
  - Pietro Bartolo, Medical Doctor and Director of Lampedusa Health Service
- Briefing on the field trip**
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## Wednesday, 12 July 2017

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### **08:00–18:00**    **Field trip**

After the closure of the “Balkan route,” Italy has served as the main point of entry to Europe for migrants and refugees. The International Organization for Migration reports that, in 2017 (through 4 June), 71 418 migrants and refugees entered Europe by sea, with nearly 85 per cent arriving in Italy.

The Italian authorities have gained significant experience in providing search-and-rescue and life-saving interventions to those most in need. The field trip will expose course participants to a simulation exercise including a search-and-rescue operation, a triage exercise and a visit to an emergency centre in a hospital and a bio-containment facility.

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## Field trip programme

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**08:00**            *Departure from Syracuse*

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**09:00–10:00**    **Visit to the control room of the Port Authority of Catania**

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**10:00–12:00**    **Simulation exercise (Part One)**

- Migrant boat warning: launch of emergency landing procedure
  - Departure of the Guardia Costiera (Coast Guard) boat, with participants on board
  - Migrants search and rescue procedure
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**12:00–13:00**    **Simulation exercise (Part Two)**

- Arrival of the Guardia Costiera boat and launch of international prophylaxis measures
  - Local Health Authority triage simulation
  - Departure from Catania Port
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**13:45–14:45**    *Lunch at Garibaldi Hospital, Catania City Centre*

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**15:00–16:00**    **Visit to the Infectious Disease Emergency Department, Garibaldi Teaching Hospital**

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**16:30–18:00**    **Bio-containment transport simulation (Italian Air Force), Sigonella Military Base of Catania**

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**18:00**            *Departure from Sigonella to Syracuse*

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Thursday, 13 July 2017

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**09:00–11:00 Plenary Session Three: The epidemiology of refugee and migrant health**

Although evidence on the burden of disease and the determinants of health of refugees and migrants has increased in recent years, major gaps still remain for certain population groups, diseases and regions of the world. Current knowledge on the health of migrants and refugees will be presented, focusing on communicable diseases, noncommunicable diseases and mental health issues. In addition, gaps in epidemiologic data and recommendations for addressing them will be discussed.

**Communicable diseases**

- Ibrahim Abubakar, Director, University College London Institute for Global Health

**Noncommunicable diseases**

- Bernadette Kumar, Director, Norwegian Centre for Migration and Minority Health

**Mental health**

- Guglielmo Schinina, Head, Mental Health, Psychosocial Response and Intercultural Communication Section, International Organization for Migration

**Moderator:** Alfonso Rodriguez-Lainz, Professor, San Diego State University

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**11:00–11:30 Healthy break**

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**11:30–13:30 Plenary Session Four: Designing health services for refugees and migrants**

Refugees and migrants represent a growing segment of the population in many receiving countries and they have particular health and communication needs that are frequently different from those of the native population. Speakers will discuss challenges and strategies to provide migrant-sensitive health services and to ensure that any potential emergencies and risks are communicated in a matter-of-fact, fair and culturally sensitive way. The way in which migrant health is communicated to both the migrants and the host country population may create disinformation and ignite mistrust and negative reactions. During the session, speakers will discuss challenges and strategies for organizing migrant-sensitive health services and for delivering correct communication messages.

**Health services along migration routes**

- Nevin Wilson, Senior Project Coordinator, International Organization for Migration

**Health screening and access to care for migrants and refugees**

- Richard Alderslade, Senior Public Health Adviser, WHO Regional Office for Europe

**Giving refugees a voice**

- Katarina Carlzén, MILSA (Support Programme for Migration and Health), Skåne County, Sweden

**Moderator:** Davide Mosca, Director, Migration Health Department, International Organization for Migration

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## Thursday, 13 July 2017 (continued)

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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop Five: Unaccompanied minors and other groups in vulnerable conditions**  
Trends and characteristics of particularly vulnerable groups of migrants and refugees will be discussed. The session will focus on issues pertaining to unaccompanied minors. It provides an opportunity for identifying good practice to protect rights and offer health services tailored to the target group's particular needs.
- Facilitators:*
- Daniela Reale, Head, Child Protection and Children on the Move, Save the Children, United Kingdom
  - Miriam Orcutt, Lancet Commission on Migration and Health
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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop Six: Migrants and tuberculosis**  
Addressing tuberculosis among migrants and other mobile populations originating from countries with high rates of the disease represents a big challenge for the health services of receiving countries. Poverty and inadequate living and working conditions increase tuberculosis risks for migrants and native communities. The mobility of these populations is a barrier for insuring continuity of care and completion of treatment. This workshop will explore evidence-based strategies to conduct tuberculosis screening and treatment of migrants as they pass through various countries on their migration route.
- Facilitators:*
- Andrei Dadu, Technical Officer, Joint Tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis Programme, WHO Regional Office for Europe
  - Silvia Angeletti, Head, Clinical Laboratory, University Campus Bio-Medico, Rome
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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop Seven: Addressing mental health among refugees and migrants**  
Refugees and migrants are particularly at risk of mental health disorders. Recognizing and appropriately treating mental health problems among these populations poses a challenge due to differences in language and culture and because of specific stressors associated with migration and resettlement. This workshop will identify risk factors and strategies in the approach to mental health assessment, as well as in the prevention and treatment of common mental health problems of migrants and refugees.
- Facilitators:*
- Head, Mental Health, Psychosocial Response and Intercultural Communication Section, International Organization for Migration
  - Liliana Osorio, Deputy Directory, Health Initiative of the Americas, University of California Berkeley
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- 14:30–17:00**     **Workshop Eight: Intercultural competence and diversity sensitivity**  
Race ethnicity, culture, language and religion are some of the factors that characterize diversity among mobile populations. This workshop will identify the key elements for understanding the influence of cultural backgrounds and perceptions and behaviours of migrants and refugees, and the healthcare professionals serving them. Practical approaches to providing health services and education, while taking cultural diversity into consideration, will be discussed.
- Facilitator:*
- Felicity Thomas, Co-Director, WHO Collaborating Centre on Culture and Health, Senior Research Fellow, University of Exeter
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Friday, 14 July 2017

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- 09:00–11:00 Plenary Session Five: From war to European cities**  
An overview on migration and health challenges existing at the point of departure in the eastern Mediterranean countries, including WHO emergency response activities in Syria, and at the point of arrival in European urban settings will be presented and discussed.
- Migration and health in eastern Mediterranean countries**
- Tonia Rifaey, Technical Officer, Country Focus Support, WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office
- Supporting emergency response in Syria from Gaziantep**
- Pavel Ursu, WHO Representative, WHO Country Office in Turkey
- Migrant health in urban contexts**
- Furio Honsell, Mayor of Udine, Italy
- Moderator:** Richard Alderslade, Senior Public Health Consultant, WHO Regional Office for Europe
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**11:00–11:30 Healthy break**

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- 11:30–13:00 Plenary Session Six: Migration and health – opportunities and challenges**  
Against the backdrop of increasing numbers of migrants and refugees across international borders, the need for formulating effective policies which will enable countries to reap the benefits that international migration offers and mitigate the challenges that it brings are a key priority. Migrant health policies can transform people's lives for the better and enrich countries economically, socially and culturally, generating unprecedented opportunities for development.
- Migration and health research: opportunities and challenges**
- Miriam Orcutt, Lancet Commission on Migration and Health
- Gender and health**
- Isabel Yordi Aguirre, Technical Officer, Gender and Rights, WHO Regional Office for Europe
- Occupational health**
- Marc B Schenker, Distinguished Professor, University of California Davis
- Integrating refugee and migrant health in global initiatives**
- Kanokporn Kaojaroen, Technical Officer, Universal Health Coverage and Quality, World Health Organization
- Moderator:** Xóchitl Castañeda, Director, Health Initiative of the Americas, University of California Berkeley
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**13:00–14:00 Lunch break**

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- 14:00–15:00 Panel discussion: Managing public health aspects of refugees and migrant movements – country experiences**  
Presentations on country responses to the recent influxes of refugees and migrants in the WHO European Region will be given. Topics covered will include institutional set-up, alignment and integration of policies, emergency preparedness and health systems capacity strengthening, partnerships and multistakeholder engagement.
- Panellists:**
- Mustafa Uzun, Vice-President, Public Health Institute of Turkey
  - Giannis Baskozos, Secretary General of Public Health, Greece
  - Vesna Knjeginjic, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Health, Serbia
- Moderator:** Jozef Bartovic, Technical Officer, WHO Regional Office for Europe
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**15:00–15:30 Healthy break**

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## Friday, 14 July 2017 (continued)

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**15:30–16:30**    **Panel discussion: Role of civil society in managing public health aspects of refugees and migrant movements**

Presenters will describe how civil society organizations have a prominent role in shaping public health, health policies, and health outcomes regarding migrant populations. They will discuss the challenges and opportunities the civil society has, especially when working in hostile and anti-immigrant political environments.

***Panellists:***

- Alyna Smith, Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants
- Serena Corniglia, Red Cross Italy
- Apostolos Veizis, MSF Greece
- Daniela Reale, Head, Child Protection and Children on the Move, Save the Children

***Moderator:*** Davide Mosca, Director, Migration Health, International Organization for Migration

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**16:30–17:00**    **Closing**

Closing remarks

Presentation of completion awards

Evaluation

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**Ibrahim Abubakar** is Director of UCL Institute for Global Health. He led the UCL Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology, UCL-TB and was a senior investigator at the MRC Clinical Trials Unit. He was head of Tuberculosis at Public Health England. Prior to his appointment at UCL, he was Professor in Health Protection at Norwich Medical School. He qualified in medicine in 1992 and initially trained in general medicine before specializing in public health medicine. His academic public health training was undertaken at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of Cambridge and University of East Anglia. He serves on/chairs several expert/advisory groups for WHO and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control.



**Colleen Acosta** is an epidemiologist with the Health Emergencies Programme, WHO Regional Office for Europe. She works with the Health Emergency Information and Risk Assessment team where she assists Member States in strengthening surveillance systems for early warning and response, capacities for risk assessment and outbreak investigation, and helps ensure rapid containment of epidemic threats as part of the regional International Health Regulations contact point. Colleen was awarded her PhD in epidemiology from the University of Oxford in 2014. Prior to that, Colleen received a bachelor's degree from Stanford University and a master's degree from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, both in the United States.



**Isabel Yordi Aguirre** has been a Technical Officer in Gender and Rights for more than 10 years at the WHO Regional Office for Europe and she is currently responsible for gender and human rights for the Division of Policy and Governance for Health and Well-being. The focus of her work has been the development of the Strategy on Women's Health and Well-being in the WHO European Region, adopted by the Regional Committee for Europe in 2016. With a Master's Degree in Political Science, she has more than 20 years of experience with various United Nations agencies in the areas of gender, human rights and health. Isabel has lived and worked in Brussels, Geneva, Managua, New Delhi and Copenhagen.



**Richard Alderslade** has been a Teaching Fellow in Public Health at St George's Hospital, University of London, since 2013 and continues to act as an Adviser to the WHO Regional Office for Europe, including the Migration and Health programme. He teaches public and global health subjects at Durham and Nottingham universities in the United Kingdom, and at New York University in the United States. He has worked for 35 years in public health, national and local health administration, research and higher education in the United Kingdom, and for 10 years in humanitarian and development international health.



**Silvia Angeletti** is Head of the Clinical Laboratory and of the Research Unit of Clinical Laboratory Science and a researcher in Clinical Pathology at the University Hospital Campus Bio-Medico of Rome, Italy. She received a degree in Biological Science from Sapienza University of Rome in 1994 and a degree in Medicine and Surgery from the University Campus Bio-Medico of Rome in 2008. Her research interests include infectious disease diagnosis, multidrug resistant pathogens, diagnostic markers of infectious and chronic diseases, epidemiology, and laboratory markers of inflammation and infection, among others.



**Giuseppe (Pino) Annunziata** is a Senior Adviser for the Migration and Health programme at the WHO Regional Office for Europe. He has worked in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and Africa, and has more than 20 years of service at WHO at the country, regional and global levels. He is an expert on migration, health and international humanitarian crises. A former Director of the WHO Rapid Response and Operations at headquarters and Chief of Knowledge and Information Management at the WHO Centre for Health Risk Reduction in Tunis, he has been a team leader of several WHO country assessments aimed at understanding the capacity of national health systems to manage influxes of refugees and migrants. In his free time, he is a voluntary clinician providing primary health care to seasonal migrant workers.

## B



**Giannis G. Baskozos** is an endocrinologist by training and served as Vice-President and Chairman of the Hellenic Endocrine Society, the scientific and professional association of Greek endocrinologists. He served as First Vice-President of the Panhellenic Medical Association. He has been the Secretary General for Public Health in the Ministry of Health since 2015. He is coordinator of the committee for health coverage of refugees, migrants and vulnerable groups, head of the Committee for the National Action Plan of migration and health, responsible for the development of international cooperation of the Ministry of Health and for the cooperation with WHO and other international organizations. He is also a member of the Twenty-fourth Standing Committee of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe.



**Roberta Bivins** is Professor of History at the University of Warwick. Since 2004, she has studied the impacts of immigration and ethnicity on post-war British health, medical research and practice funded by the Wellcome Trust. In 2015, she published her findings as a book, *Contagious Communities: Medicine, Migration and the NHS in Post War Britain* (Oxford University Press). Since 2015, Roberta has led a team of researchers investigating the cultural history and influence of the British National Health Service (NHS) 1948–2018, funded by a £1.2-million Wellcome Trust award. Her research focuses on efforts by politicians, medical professionals and health policy experts to enact social policy and cultural agendas through and within the NHS, particularly in relation to ethnic minorities.

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**Katarina Carlzén** heads the work of the Partnership Skåne, a system-based and holistic support platform for developing the integration of newly arrived refugees and asylum seekers, connecting more than 20 projects at the regional and national levels. The central components include culturally sensitive and mother tongue-based social and health communication and close cooperation with civic society and academia. The work is carried out in a cooperative process, where the target group has a direct influence on the process. The work serves as an example for other regions in Sweden and its main components are being nationally disseminated, contributing to national policy-making. She has a Master's Degree in International Migration and Ethnic Relations.



**Xóchitl Castañeda** has been the Director of Health Initiative of the Americas at the School of Public Health, University of California Berkeley, since 2001. A medical anthropologist by training, she was educated in Guatemala and Mexico. She completed a postdoctoral fellowship in reproductive health at the University of California San Francisco, and received training in social science and medicine at Harvard and Amsterdam universities. Her vision and commitment have led to the creation of multiple binational health programmes, including Binational Health Week, one of the largest mobilization efforts in the Americas to improve the well-being of Latin American immigrants. Through these strategies, hundreds of thousands of Latinos in the United States have received medical attention and referrals for services.

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**Fanny Dufvenmark** works as a Migration Law Expert in the International Migration Law Unit at the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in Geneva, Switzerland. She has an LL.B in Law and International Relations and a LL.M in International Criminal Law from the University of Sussex. Prior to joining IOM in 2011, Fanny worked with law firms in Sweden as well as with the Trial Watch Project in Switzerland. Her area of focus is the international legal framework surrounding migration, in particular human rights law, refugee law and transnational criminal law. Furthermore, she has developed the framework for the rights-based approach to programming for IOM.

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**Ranieri Guerra** is Director-General of Preventive Health and Chief Medical Officer at the Ministry of Health of Italy. He was previously the Science and Technology Attaché at the Embassy of Italy in Washington, D.C. He is also the former Director of URE, External Relations Office, the President's Cabinet, Istituto Superiore de Sanità (ISS), or National Institute of Health, Rome, Italy. His role at the ISS included management activities on health system reform, equity and impact assessment, capacity-building and institutional development at central and intermediate levels, especially in public-private systems. Since 2000, Dr Guerra has worked as a consultant and team leader for UNICEF, UNDP, WHO and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on projects in Palestine, Eritrea, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Swaziland and China.

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**Andreas Kamm** has been Secretary General of the Danish Refugee Council since July 1998. He has a Master of Arts in History and has worked as a teacher, the principal of a Danish Refugee Council language school, an educational adviser and a labour market adviser. For a number of years, Mr Kamm was the head of the Danish Refugee Council's Central Integration Department in Copenhagen, Denmark. He is also a member of the official Danish delegation to the annual executive meetings of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and the chairman of the Council of Human Rights, under the Danish Institute for Human Rights.

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**Allan Krasnik** is President of the Section for Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health of the European Public Health Association, consisting of more than 1000 researchers and professionals specifically engaged in the health of migrants and ethnic minorities. His main scientific expertise is health services research with a special focus on prevention, health care innovations and reforms and their effects on social and ethnic equity in health care access and health outcomes. He is a professor at the Department of Public Health, University of Copenhagen, as well as a founder and senior researcher at the Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health

Danish Research Centre for Migration, Ethnicity and Health (MESU), and a principal investigator in a large project on the health and welfare of migrants in Nordic countries.



**Bernadette Kumar** has been Director of the Norwegian Centre for Migration and Minority Health since 2010 and Associate Professor in Global Health at the Institute of Health and Society, University of Oslo, since 2013. She graduated in medicine with a residency in surgery (1988) in India, and received her doctorate in Epidemiology and Public Health from the University of Oslo, Norway (2006). She has several years of international experience working for UNICEF, WHO, WFP, the World Bank and the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation in southern Sudan, Somalia, north west Kenya, West Bank and Gaza, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, China and Bhutan (1989–2000), where she worked as a technical expert and consultant.

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**Isabel de la Mata** is Principal Advisor for Health and Crisis Management in the European Commission. She has previously worked as a Counsellor for Health and Consumer at the Permanent Representation of Spain to the European Union, as Deputy Director General for Health Planning at the Spanish Ministry of Health, and as Adviser to the Vice Minister of Health. She has also worked with WHO, including as a member of the Standing Committee of the Regional Committee for Europe, the Pan American Health Organization, the Inter-American Development Bank and the Spanish Agency for International Cooperation. Dr de la Mata graduated in Medicine and Surgery from the University of the Basque Country and holds post-graduate degrees in Public Health and Hospital Administration and Statistics.



**Davide T. Mosca** has been Director of Migration Health at the International Organization for Migration (IOM) headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, since 2008. Initially, he worked as a surgeon for Italian Technical Cooperation but later shifted his focus towards public health. In 1994, he joined IOM, where he designed programmes for the reintegration of internally displaced people, returning refugees and demobilized soldiers. As Director of the Migration Health Department, Dr Mosca manages IOM health programmes worldwide totalling more than US\$ 163 million in 2016, and employing more than 1200 health and operation personnel in more than 60 countries, in the clinical provision of immigration medical examinations and public health-related initiatives with the goal of health promotion for migrants.

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## O



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## R



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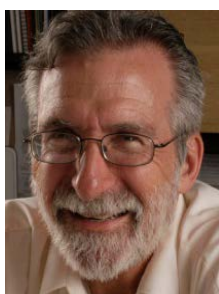
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## T



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## U



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