In 2008, the ASPHER Annual Conference will be held from 5 to 8 November in Lisbon, Portugal, together with the EUPHA Conference. The main theme of the ASPHER conference is: "Innovation and modernization in research and education in Public Health". This leaflet focuses on the ASPHER specific part of the event (5-6 November), and the ASPHER-EUPHA joint activities (6-8 November). More information can be found on www.aspher.org.

Preliminary Programme

**ASPER Plenaries**
(Plenaries 1-3)
Wed Afternoon 5th November
Keynote speaker(s): tba

**ASPER Plenary**
(Plenary 4)
Thu Morning 6th November
Keynote speaker(s): tba

**ASPER Parallels**
(4 sessions)
Thu Morning 6th November
Keynote speaker(s): tba

**ASPER-EUPHA Intensive Course in Health Innovation**
Wed Afternoon 5th November (Session 1-2) - Thu Morning 6th November (Session 3-4)
Promoted by: National School of Public Health - Lisbon, Portuguese Public Health Association, ASPHER, EUPHA

**EUPHA-ASPER Parallel: Education and Training Track**
Thu Afternoon 6th November - Sat Morning 8th November

**EUPHA-ASPER Plenary**
Sat Morning 8th November

**Plenary 1: New Public Health and (future) PH research**
New research topics appear in the field of public health, calling for new disciplines with their own approaches, theories and research models and designs. What are the old and new PH research topics? The view from a politician, a research funding agency and a policy advisor.

**Plenary 2: New Public Health and (future) research competences**
What kind of researchers do we need in the future as a result of political and societal developments? Are we looking for specialist or generalist approaches? For researchers or for innovators? The view from a director of a research institute, a university dean and a PH innovation agency as employers of researchers.

**Plenary 3: New paths of research education**
Do students and the research topics themselves call for other educational approaches and didactical methods when it comes to the education of PH research? The view from an educationalist and from a student.

**Plenary 4: The structure of (future) research education**
What research competences are taught in schools of PH and what should PH students learn? And at what moment in the three (or four) layer structure according to the Bologna Declaration? The view from a leading person from a ministry of education and from a university director/dean.

Workshops on the themes of the ASPHER plenaries (to be decided), and/or workshops on request.

**Plenary 5: Leadership for health innovation - Public health education and social entrepreneurship**

Local organizer: Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública
Universidade Nova de Lisboa
www.ensp.unl.pt

Date and Venue: 5-8 November 2008
Lisbon Congress Centre
http://www.lisboacc.pt/portal

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Conference Schedule

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Registration fee includes conference documentation, coffee breaks, lunch and conference reception.

Registration and Abstract Submission

Registration opens 1st May 2008. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is **1st May 2008**.


Workshops submitted in the field of Training and Education will be considered for the ASPHER specific part of the conference, single presentations - for the EUPHA-ASPER Conference’s Education and Training Track. Thus, to present (or to listen to) single presentations combined registration is requested /ASPER-EUPHA Combi. Workshops are considered for dedicated sessions of one hour. Single presentations will be considered for oral or poster presentation. If no indication is given, the abstract will be considered for oral presentation first. Oral presentations are 10 minutes, with 5 minutes of discussion time. Details for abstract submission can be found on the website.

The scientific committee will judge submitted abstracts. Notification of acceptance or rejection will be posted **by mid-June 2008**.