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2nd Research Exchange Workshop

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The ASEF Public Health Network is a participatory platform which encourages public health dialogue, between actors from health and non-health sectors across Asia and Europe.

The Network’s activities are primarily classified under three thematic areas:

**Regional Integration and Public Health**

The Network facilitates collaboration and coordination between Asia and Europe through exchange of information and experience. This is done through research initiatives assessing the strengths and gaps in regional integration, resulting in public health policy options.

**Multi-sector Pandemic Preparedness and Response**

With a unique scenario approach, the Network brings together health and non-health sector representatives to look beyond today and address uncertainties around potential pandemics, developing long-term strategies for multisector pandemic preparedness and response.

**Public Health Dialogue**

Vulnerable groups such as young people, migrants as well as sexual and ethnic minorities are most affected during any public health crisis. The Network engages them through community-level initiatives so that their voice can be heard by policy makers.
ASEF’s initiative on health and migration

“Migration is a fact of life and governments face the challenge of integrating the health needs of migrants into national plans, policies and strategies” as reported by the World Health Organization (March 2010). Identification of migrants’ health-related needs and reflection of them into policies and practices require research and data that provide evidence for migrant vulnerabilities. The ASEF Public Health Network aims to address such migrant health issues by initiating joint research and a series of research exchange workshops through a multi-disciplinary and multi-sectoral approach.

In 2011, the ASEF Public Health Network launched the 1st Joint Research on Regional Integration and Infectious Diseases. The research study by the Yuchengco Center (The Philippines) and Fondazione ISMU (Italy) on “Public Health Challenges in the Era of Migration: The Health Dimension of Southeast Asian Migration to Europe” (publication forthcoming in 2013) presented concrete data on health status of Chinese and Filipino migrants in Europe and produced recommendations to integrate their needs into the policies of host communities.

In March 2012, the ASEF Public Health Network organised the 1st Research Exchange Workshop on “Social Determinants of Migrants’ Health across Asia and Europe”, in collaboration with Casa Asia in Barcelona, Spain1. The workshop provided researchers across Asia and Europe with an opportunity to better understand the state of health of Asian migrants in Europe and to share the information and experience of multiple stakeholders in addressing migrants’ health issues. The workshop participants came up with a list of recommendations and further research areas to strengthen bi-regional collaboration on health and migration.

Translating research evidence on migrant health into policy and practice

The research findings and outcomes of the workshop were considered highly useful and relevant for addressing and tackling issues on health and migration by not only academics but also other players such as international organisations (WHO, IOM, UNDP), regional institution (European Commission), national authorities (Spanish national public health agency, Indonesian national board for overseas workers), and civil society organisations. The recommendations and conclusions of the research study and workshop also drew out the implications of translating the evidence into public health policy and healthcare practice to obtain positive outcomes in health of migrants. Therefore, the ASEF Public Health Network will invigorate policy dialogue at its second research exchange workshop, bringing senior-level decision-makers, researchers as well as multiple stakeholders involved in migrant health issues.

ABOUT ASEF RESEARCH EXCHANGE WORKSHOP SERIES

**Main topic**

Bringing the Migrant Health Discourse into Policy

**Objectives**

- Address present challenges in migrant health policies based on the data generated from the ASEF Public Health Network’s research initiative on health and migration
- Provide an avenue for debates on how to drive changes in policy and practice in relation to migrant health and social integration
- Foster active co-operation between multi-sector players to achieve policy coherence on migration and health

**Venue**

Diamond Room
Tiara Oriental Hotel
7248 Malugay Street, San Antonio Village, 1252, Makati City, The Philippines

**Day 1 (Wednesday, 28 November)**

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| 08:45  | I. Case of Poland
|        | Ms Bogumila Jablecka (Analyst Migration Policy Programme, Institute of Public Affairs) |
|        | Dr Elżbieta Anna Czapka (Researcher/Lecturer, Marie Curie-Skłodowska University) |
| 09:45  | Questions & Answers                                                  |
| 10:15  | Break                                                                |
| 10:30  | II. Case of Italy
|        | Dr Antonio Chiarenza (Coordinator of the HPH Task Force on MFCCH, AUSL of Reggio Emilia) |
| 11:00  | Questions & Answers                                                  |
| 11:20  | Conclusion of Session 1                                              |
| 11:30  | Lunch                                                                |
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| Chairperson: Prof André M. N. Renzaho  
(ARC Future Fellow and Director, Migration, Social Disadvantage, and Health Programs, Monash University) |
| 13:00 | I. Case of China  
Prof Li Ling  
(Director, Sun Yat-sen Center for Migrant Health Policy) |
| 13:30 | II. Case of the Republic of Korea  
Prof Youngtae Cho  
(Department of Health Science and Services, School of Public Health, Seoul National University) |
| 14:00 | Questions & Answers |
| 14:30 | Conclusion of Session 2 |

### Public Briefing

| 17:00 | Welcome Remarks  
Representative of the Embassy of Japan to the Philippines |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 17:10 | Mr Junichi Nitta  
(Second Secretary, Embassy of Japan in the Philippines) |
| 17:30 | Key Findings of the Research, “The Health Dimension of Southeast Asian Migration to Europe”  
Dr Trinidad Osteria  
(President, Yuchengco Center, De La Salle University)  
Dr Daniela Carrillo  
(Researcher, Health and Welfare Sector, Fondazione ISMU) |

### Panel Discussion

| Prof Li Ling  
(Director, Sun Yat-sen Center for Migrant Health Policy)  
Prof Jose Maria Arcadio C. Malbarosa  
(Assistant Professorial Lecturer, De La Salle University)  
Dr Tona Lizana  
(Head of the Migration and International Projects Division, Public Health Agency of the Catalan Government)  
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(Social Worker, Sacco Hospital Social Services) |
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| 08:30  | **Session 3** – The Impact of Migration Policy on Migrants’ Access to Health Care | **Chairperson**
                      | Prof Youngtae Cho                                                        |
                      | (Department of Health Science and Services, School of Public Health, Seoul National University) |
| 09:00  | Outcomes of the ASEF-commissioned joint research, “The Nature and Magnitude of the Costs of Exclusion of Documented and Undocumented Migrants from Health Care” | **I. Preliminary results of studies of Austria and Italy**
                      | Dr Ursula Karl-Trummer                                                   |
                      | (Executive Director, Center for Health and Migration)                    |
| 09:30  | Il. Preliminary results of studies of Singapore and Hong Kong SAR     | **Prof Phua Kai Hong**                                                   |
                      | (Associate Professor, Health Policy & Management, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy) |
                      | **Prof Huso Yi**                                                        |
                      | (Assistant Professor, Jockey Club School of Public Health and Primary Care, Chinese University of Hong Kong) |
| 10:30  | Questions & Answers      |                                                                         |
| 11:00  | Break                   |                                                                         |
| 11:20  | Migration health policy of Austria                                   | **Dr Charlotte Wirl**                                                    |
                      | (Social Scientist, Public Health Institute Austria)                     |
| 11:40  | Questions & Answers      |                                                                         |
| 12:10  | Conclusion of Session 3                                           |                                                                         |
| 12:20  | Lunch                   |                                                                         |
|        | **Session 4** – Policy Options for Improving Social Inclusions of Migrants | **Please see the following page for the details of this session** |
| 13:30  | Summary of main conclusions of previous sessions                     | **Analiza G. Peña; Maricar Ricardos, R.N.**                               |
                      | (Rapporteurs)                                                          |
| 13:50  | Working group discussion I                                          |                                                                         |
|        | **Moderators**                                                      |                                                                         |
                      | **Group 1**                                                            |
                      | Dr Poonam Dhavan                                                       |
                      | (Public Health Specialist, IOM – Manila (Global) Administrative Centre (MAC)) |
                      | **Group 2**                                                            |
                      | Ms Marie Nodzenski                                                     |
                      | (Research Associate, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy)              |
| 14:50  | Break                   |                                                                         |
| 15:20  | Working group discussion II                                         |                                                                         |
| 16:20  | Presentation of policy options                                      |                                                                         |
| 16:40  | Closing Remarks                                                    |                                                                         |
| 17:00  | End of Workshop                                                   |                                                                         |
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Session 4 (Day 2 13:30-16:40)

Group 1: moderated by Dr Poonam Dhavan

In order to improve labour migration policies, legislations, and regulations – with particular attention to their health issues, some methodologies or tools that are available and useful to channel the research findings may include stakeholder analysis, economic analysis, social marketing, public education, media etc.

- With your research findings, what are the methodologies or tools that worked?
- What are the best practices in the fields?
- What additional tools can be considered?

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Group 2: moderated by Ms Marie Nodzenski

- What are the key health policy issues faced by undocumented migrants?

- What are the best practices of research projects and findings that led to informing and translation into policy-making for the health of undocumented migrants in a meaningful way?

- What are the key health policy issues and best practices that can be applied to Asia-Europe collaboration on the challenges faced by undocumented migrants?

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André M. N. Renzaho
ARC Future Fellow and Director
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Monash University

Prof André Renzaho is the director of the Migration, Social Disadvantage, and Health Programs, Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, Monash University. Prior to this appointment he was a Senior Research Fellow at Deakin University in the School of Health and Social Development (2007-2011) and worked as Program Quality Advisor with World Vision Australia (2003-2006). He is recognised for his expertise in refugee and migrants’ health. He has worked with United Nations agencies and non-government organisations, covering sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East, Latin America, the pacific (Australia) and Asia. His areas of expertise include acculturation, migration and health outcomes, obesity prevention among migrants, cultural competence in health care and research, prevention of chronic diseases among ethnic minorities, and vitamin D deficiency. He has published extensively in these areas including three authoritative books, 12 book chapters, more than 50 peer reviewed articles, 22 major commissioned reports or monographs and 18 national and international conference papers/presentations. He has been sitting on a number of national and international expert Panel committees and reference groups as well as being a member on editorial advisory boards of four international journals.

In 2008 he was appointed as a member of the Dental Practice Board of Victoria (Ministerial appointment) and Deakin University Faculty Equity and Diversity Committee. He has an outstanding track record in translating research into policy formulation and implementation. Since 2006, he has received more than $4.5 million in research grants. His work has won a number of awards and been recently recognised internationally for demonstrating outstanding individual achievements in his field of research and significant contributions to the betterment of contemporary society. In 2011, he received an ARC Future Fellowship as well as a Heart Foundation CDA (relinquished).

His current research includes projects on the following:

- Asylum seekers: examination of health and policy dimensions
- Vitamin D deficiency and type 2 diabetes and mental health outcomes
- Blood donation and social inclusion
- Acculturation measurement and its impact on health outcomes
- Intergenerational acculturation gap
- Health Literacy and obesity prevention strategies prioritisation
- Cultural and social integration of Arabic migrants
- Food security in cultural pluralism
- Application of the structuration theory in health and policy
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Antonio Chiarenza
Coordinator of the HPH Task Force on MFCCH
Azienda Unità Sanitaria Locale di Reggio Emilia

Following his research Doctorate in Sociology, Antonio Chiarenza’s research interests have focused on health promotion, migrant health and community health since he joined the Local Health Authority of Reggio Emilia in Italy, where he is responsible for the Research & Innovation department. Antonio leads the international WHO-HPH Task Force on Migrant-Friendly and Culturally Competent Healthcare and the Coordinating Centre of the Regional HPH Network of Emilia-Romagna. He is member of the core group of the Management Committee of Action ADAPT (Adapting European Health Systems to Diversity) funded by COST (European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and technical Research). He has published articles and has presented papers on the issue of migrant’s health care in national and international journals and conferences. At present, he coordinates the international project on the development of Standards for Equity in Health Care for migrants and other vulnerable groups.

Bogumiła Jabłecka
Analyst Migration Policy Programme
Institute of Public Affairs

Bogumila Jabłecka is a medical anthropologist, analyst in the Migration Policy Program at the Institute of Public Affairs, Poland, and a PhD student at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland.

She graduated from the Wroclaw University with a BA and from the Jagiellonian University in Krakow with an MA in ethnology, while as part of various scholarships she studied also at the Abo Akademi University in Turku, Finland, and Petra Christian University in Surabaya, Indonesia. Among her key interests are issues regarding medical systems, medical pluralism, migration and health and biomedical technologies.

Her most recent publications include:

Jablecka B., Transcultural medicine in Poland: challenges in doctor-patient relationship, Institute of Public Affairs, expected publication date: December 2012.

Jablecka B., Structural and cultural barriers in accessing healthcare for immigrants, Institute of Public Affairs 2012.

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Charlotte Wirl
Social Scientist
Public Health Institute Austria

Charlotte Wirl is a social scientist working at the Austrian Public Health Institute (Gesundheit Österreich) since 2005. The Austrian Public Health Institute is a national research and planning institute for health care and a competence and funding centre of health promotion. She finished her master degree in Sociology 2004 and her PhD on the use of online health information in Austria and the implicated social divide in 2010 at the University of Vienna. Her professional activities include various research activities in the fields of health service, prevention and health information. Recently she accompanied and evaluated several health promotion activities targeting vulnerable groups. Since 2011 she is a member of the task force on how to involve migrants in health promotion activities (access, customised information, the role of gatekeepers etc.).

The Austrian Public Health Institute has a long tradition of collaborating and integrating policy-makers in order to ensure the implementation of scientific results e.g. guidelines or recommendations. An example of this is the project on spending allocated budget on health promotion in an evidence-based way that is approved by the stakeholders and therefore ensures sustained implementation.

Charlotte Wirl prepared evidence reviews on the topics of the prevention of obesity in young children and adolescents and the prevention of foetal alcohol syndrome. The research concludes that current activities show a positive effect on people from a middle or higher socio-economic background but can have adverse effects on migrants and people from lower socio-economic background. Therefore a special focus on these groups is essential when planning any health promotion activity.

Daniela Carrillo
Researcher, Health and Welfare Sector
Fondazione ISMU

Daniela Carrillo is an anthropologist PhD who works with the Ismu Foundation, Milan (Italy), since 2006.

In 2000 she earned a Diplome Universitarie in Anthropologie Biologique from the Université de la Méditerranée, Aix-Marseille II. Her PhD thesis, gained at the University of Florence, analysed the migratory patterns and the reproductive behaviours of immigrants from Ivory Coast and Ghana living in Palermo, Italy. Since 2008, she has been subject curator of Sociology of Differences and Inequalities at the Faculty of Sociology of the Catholic University of Milan and adjoint Professor at the same University. Since 1999, Daniela deals with themes related to the healthcare and integration of the immigrant populations, and has collaborated at the realisation of several studies in this area. She is currently responsible for studies on women’s integration and on the responses of public and private institutions to migrants needs.
ABOUT THE PARTICIPANTS

Ellen Wong
Project Officer
International Organization for Migration (IOM) Liaison Office in China

Ellen Wong is a Project Officer at the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Liaison Office in China, where she has been working since 2010 on their migration management and human trafficking projects. She is currently managing a counter-trafficking project aimed at supporting the implementation of China’s National Plan of Action, largely in the area of technical assistance and capacity building, in close cooperation with the Chinese government. In addition to China, Ellen has worked with the IOM Mongolia Country Office on their migration management, human trafficking and disaster risk reduction activities.

At IOM, Ellen has been involved in various migration-related research activities. She is the lead author of IOM Liaison Office in China, IOM Migrant Health Division (MHD) and Sun Yat-sen Centre for Migrant Health Policy (CMHP)’s joint ‘International Migration and Health’ paper, which is part of the United Nations Research Institute on Social Development (UNRISD) and CMHP’s ‘Migration and Health in China’ Project. She is also the lead author of the China country report for the ‘International Labour Mobility’ Project focused on international labour migration policy.

Prior to IOM, Ellen worked for various non-government organizations based in Australia including the Centre for Refugee Research, eye health charity Optometry Giving Sight and the Oaktree Foundation. She also spent several years working in a media relations capacity in the tertiary education, commercial and non-profit sectors.

Ellen holds a Master Degree in Social Development (International Development) from the University of New South Wales and a Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications, International Relations, English Literature) from the University of Sydney.
Elżbieta Anna Czpka  
Researcher and Lecturer  
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Elżbieta Czapka graduated from the Catholic University in Lublin (Poland). She obtained a PhD in sociology in 2004 (the title of dissertation: A stereotype of a refugee. A comparative analysis on the basis of research conducted among the students of selected European countries). She is a member of European Sociological Association, International Sociological Association and International Political Science Association. From 2007 to 2011 she was a member of Management Committee in COST Action ISO 603 “Home” (Health and Social Care of Migrants and Ethnic Minorities in Europe).

At present she is a researcher and lecturer at Marie Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin. Her teaching specialisation covers sociology of migration and sociology of minorities.

She is also affiliated to Norwegian Center for Minority Health Research in Oslo (NAKMI) where she works on developing a project on health information and new labour migrants. In 2007-2010 she worked in NAKMI on her postdoc project regarding Polish migrants’ health.

Her scientific interests include the issues of labour migration and health, female migration and changes of individual and group moral norms resulting from migration. She works on her habilitation book regarding the relations between morality and migration.

Czapka lives in both Poland (Lublin) and Norway (Oslo).

Huso Yi  
Professor  
JC School of Public Health and Primary Care, the Chinese University of Hong Kong

Professor Huso Yi has been trained in the field of health psychology, philosophy, medical anthropology, epidemiology, and biostatistics. Before joining the CUHK, he was an US NIH postdoctoral research fellow at the New York State Psychiatric Institute and Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University; Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology at the School of Sociology and Populations Study, Renmin University of China; Senior Research Associate at the National Development and Research Institute. Since 2002, he has been involved over ten US NIH international interdisciplinary research projects in the US, China, Vietnam, and South Africa. Especially, the studies in China and Vietnam addressed the issues of population mobility and risk environments. His research has focused on social-ecological determinants of health risks, ethno-epidemiology, medical humanities, public health ethics and bioethics, qualitative and quantitative assessment development, mixed-methods, cross-cultural aspects of sexualities and gender, community-based participatory interventions among disadvantaged populations, and social inequality in health.
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Cadz Malbarosa is assistant professorial lecturer at the Political Science Department of De La Salle University, Manila. Since 2008, he has taught courses in comparative government and politics, political theory, Philippine government and politics, introduction to politics, and citizenship and governance. He has been doing research in business and economic history, political economy and political theory and has presented his research papers in national and international conferences. He is currently writing his dissertation on the rise of big business in late 19th century Philippines and its colonial legacy for a Ph.D. in Development Studies at the same university. From 1989 to 1991, he did advanced studies in Madrid, Spain. He taught courses in Philosophy from 1991 to 2007.

Kai Hong Phua  
Associate Professor Of Health and Social Policy  
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Dr PHUA Kai Hong is a tenured professor of health and social policy at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. He was previously Associate Professor and Head, Health Care Division and Head, Health Services Research Unit, Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, Faculty of Medicine and Adjunct Senior Fellow at the Institute of Policy Studies, Singapore. He graduated with honours cum laude from Harvard University and received graduate degrees from the Harvard School of Public Health (Master’s in Health Services Administration & Population Sciences) and the London School of Economics & Political Science (PhD in Social Administration specialising in Health Economics). He was the recipient of a Harvard College Scholarship, the Sigma Scholarship from the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University, and an NUS Overseas Graduate Scholarship.

Dr Phua has produced numerous publications and papers in health policy and related areas, including the history of health services, health and population ageing, health economics and health systems financing. He is currently working on research projects in comparative health policy, including health sector reforms and regional health governance in Asia and Europe.

Dr Phua received The Outstanding Young Person (TOYP) award in 1992 for his contributions to health policy and community service in Singapore. He was a past Vice-Chairman of the Singapore Red Cross and was appointed on many national and regional advisory committees, including the Government Parliamentary Committee Resource Panel on Health (1988-1996, 2007-current), and Chair of the Technical Advisory Group for Health Sector Development, WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific (2000-2005).
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As one of the early domestic scholars who conduct health management research through the method combining quantitative and qualitative research, Prof. Ling has set up extensive and sound collaboration with a great number of international and domestic organisations and institutes, consisting of WHO, UNRISD, IOM, CMB, China’s Ministry of Health, local government and other research institutions both domestically and internationally. She is also the Principal Investigator (PI) of more than 30 funding projects, composing of projects at national level, provincial level and city level, and CMB program. By now, Prof. Ling has published over 100 papers in domestic and international journals, and participated in the editing work of more than 20 kinds of teaching materials. Currently, she is also the Vice-Director of Committee of statistical theory and methodology, Chinese Association of Health Information. The research directions of Prof. Ling include migrant health, public health policy, statistical method in health management and HIV epidemiology.

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Marie Nodzenski is currently a Research Associate at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (NUS, Singapore), working on Regional Health Governance in ASEAN and the EU.

Holder of a BA in Politics and International Relations (University of Kent, UK) and a MA in International Relations (Brussels School of International Studies, Belgium), she has specialised in foreign policy analysis, ethics in International Relations and international human rights law. Her Masters’ Dissertation focused on the use of torture in the post 9/11 era. Her research interests lie in the field of health governance, the right to health, migration issues, as well as regional politics and governance.

Before joining the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, she worked as a Representative to the United Nations for Hearts’ Home, an NGO in consultative status with the UN in Geneva, conducting research and advocacy activities, particularly in the field of Human Rights Education. She was also a Project Support intern for the Klevis Kola Foundation in London, a grassroots NGO supporting refugees and asylum-seeking families in London.
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Dr Asis is Director of Research and Publications at the Scalabrini Migration Center. She is a sociologist who has long been working on international migration and social change in Asia. Her recent research includes the study of the health and well-being of children in the Philippines (which is part of a four-country study on health and migration in Southeast Asia), capacity-building of migrants’ associations and Philippine government institutions as development partners, the impact of government regulations on the protection of foreign domestic workers, the assessment of pre-departure information programs for migrants, and the displacement of Filipino workers from the Middle East and North Africa. She is Co-editor of the Asian and Pacific Migration Journal. She has authored various publications and has participated in many international conferences.

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Tona Lizana is a qualified medical doctor and surgeon. She started her professional career in the clinical area and then became specialised in health management within research and consultancy work. She has developed her knowledge for many years in the health management field, developing projects in Latin America and Africa. From 2006 to 2011 she was responsible for directing the National Immigration Plan in the Health Area at the Catalonian Ministry of Health in Spain. From June 2011 up to now she is responsible for the migration and international health programme at the Public Health Agency of the Catalan Government (Spain).
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Ursula Karl-Trummer is project director of “Health care in NowHereland. Improving services for undocumented migrants in the EU”; a project to analyse and compare European policies and practices. Focus of her scientific work is on social determinants of health in different settings and regions. Being national delegate and member of the management committee in the European COST Initiative IS1103 ADAPT -Adapting European health systems to diversity, she cooperates with a wide network of experts in the field of health and migration research.

She lectures at various universities, and acts as independent expert and consultant for the European Commission, the German Ministry for Education and Science and for the Norwegian Research Council. Beside her scientific work, she works as consultant and coach to organisations and individuals, specialising in diversity management and management of paradox.

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Valentina Nigrotti obtained her degree in Social Sciences from the Catholic University of Milan in 2004 and she has been added to the register of social workers of Lombardy. After working for six years in a retirement community, she started working in Sacco Hospital, in Milan (Italy) in November 2010.

She has always been interested in migrants’ issues, and she is the referent for all the activities regarding the “Foreign Orientation Desk” and for the organisation of the linguistic and cultural mediators team.
ABOUT THE PARTICIPANTS

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Xiao Gong has just received his Master of Public Health, focusing on Health Policy and Healthcare Management-from Shandong University in June. He then entered Sun Yat-sen University as a doctoral candidate. As a new member of Sun Yat-sen Center for Migrant Health Policy, at the present time he is mainly completing his curriculums and joining research teams on healthcare utilisation and health insurance, sexual and reproductive health, occupational safety and health, all associated with migrant population. Also, he has a strong interest in health system reform in China.

Youngtae Cho
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Professor Youngtae Cho is associate professor of health demography at the School of Public Health, Seoul National University. He achieved both master’s and doctorate degrees in demography from the University of Texas at Austin. His areas of expertise include demography and social epidemiology. Prior to his appointment at Seoul National University, Youngtae was a faculty member at the Utah State University. He is currently a steering committee member of Asia-Pacific Global Action for Health Equity Network, and recently served as a consultant for the World Health Organization for the Western Pacific Region. Also, he serves as a member of international organizing committee of the 27th IUSSP International Population Conference that will be held in Busan, Korea in August 2013.

Youngtae has published a number of research papers on the health of migrant populations in the US and in Korea. Examples of his publications regarding migrant health issues are “Immigration and the health of Asian and Pacific Islander Adults in the United States” (American Journal of Epidemiology, 2001), “Social inclusion and length of stay as determinants of health among North Koreans residing in South Korea” (International Journal of Public Health 2009), and “Is acculturation always adverse to Korean immigrant health in the US?” (Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health, forthcoming). Recently, Youngtae has written a Korean textbook on the health of migrant population, entitled “Migration and Health-Theory to Reality.” It was published by IOM MRTC (Migration Research and Training Center) as a migration education series (NO2011-02).

Currently, he conducts a research project funded by the Korean Center for Disease Control and Prevention to develop a systematic policy on the infectious diseases control and management for migrant populations in Korea.
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Through the six months of being a research assistant, she has learned skills in research and in clerical works. She has also developed the motivation, determination, professionalism, enthusiasm, and leadership in her previous employments. She is able to maintain a degree of independence in her work while furthering her knowledge and skills.

She is literate in the utilisation of computer, its applications, and its softwares such as the Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Paint, and Windows Movie Maker. She is also able to utilise carefully the internet for research purposes while citing references properly. Part of her work has been the researching, writing, editing, and proofreading research proposals, research papers, and various articles.

As a research assistant and a businesswoman, she has honed her skills in communicating effectively in diverse environments. She is able to utilise email, SMS, fax, mail, and landline as effective communication tools. As a businesswoman, she is proficient in handling customer inquiries and complaints professionally to ensure satisfaction. She is also able to establish a friendly and lasting relationship with co-workers and clients. She is proficient in the use of the English and Filipino languages.

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The Yuchengco Center of De La Salle University in the Philippines has for its mission the contribution to public knowledge and awareness on political, economic and social policy concerns in the Philippines and the Asian region; and the enhancement of its roles as a think tank where research results are regularly transmitted to the end users for evidence-based legislation, policy-making and programming. Therefore, its activities include: research; conference and seminar organization; publication; program and project evaluation; and capacity-building of educators, planners and policymakers in four thematic areas of globalization; regional security and foreign relations; governance and democratization; and human security, particularly health and education. Through the years, it has undertaken studies on Philippine-Japan relations, international migration, regional economic integration, aging, health, gender issues, climate change, poverty alleviation, social policy, governance, regional cooperation, political economy, corruption, transnational crimes, agriculture, and free trade agreements.