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Better health through a healthy environment

Join the Health and Environment Alliance today!

Founded in 2003, the Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL) is a leading European not-for-profit organisation addressing how the environment affects health in the European Union (EU).

With the support of more than 65 member organisations, HEAL brings independent expertise and evidence from the health community to different decision-making processes. Our broad alliance represents health professionals, not-for-profit health insurers, doctors, nurses, cancer and asthma groups, citizens, women's groups, youth groups, environmental NGOs, scientists and public health research institutes. Members include international and Europe-wide organisations, as well as national and local groups in 25 countries.

Our organisation's vision is a healthy planet for healthier people in Europe and beyond. HEAL's advocacy and awareness-raising work aims to show how environmental action can bring down rates of asthma, obesity, diabetes, cancer and infertility.

HEAL has a strong track record in increasing public and expert engagement in EU and World Health Organization (WHO) debates and decision-making processes on environment and health.

Our commitment to our membership and our mission entails:

- **Monitoring policy within EU institutions** to identify threats and opportunities for environment and health
- **Running advocacy campaigns** to bring the voice of the health community to policy makers
- **Following policy-relevant research** and making it accessible
- **Facilitating public and stakeholder participation**
- **Building capacity** through publications, conferences, workshops, and training.

Membership to HEAL is open to non-governmental organisations and other not-for-profit organisations and professional bodies, whether local, regional, national, European or international. Applicants must be legally constituted pursuant to the laws and customs of their country of origin; have no profit-making purpose; and be independent of governments, political parties and commercial interests.

We invite you to be part of our alliance which directly contributes to both EU and WHO policy work on environment and health, including the EU's strategic environmental policy-making and the WHO Children's Environment and Health Action Plan for Europe (CEHAPe).

See who our current Members are on our website at www.env-health.org!

Benefits of HEAL membership

By becoming a Member of HEAL, your organisation will benefit from a multitude of services, including:

- ✓ **Access to the EU policy makers and up to date information on developments** through HEAL's Brussels based Secretariat coordination and expertise.
- ✓ **Dissemination of your news in our website and monthly electronic newsletter** which is subscribed to by over 5000 key environment and health stakeholders in Europe and globally, including EU officials, national policy makers, research and scientific communities, journalists, NGOs and other community groups.

- ✓ **Representation and collaborations on European and International Forums** through various partnerships with the World Health Organisation, the European Commission, as well as NGOs involved in other sectors such as consumers, farmers, women's groups, transport and so on.
- ✓ **Health and environment information electronic updates** to increase awareness on emerging health science, reports, policy discussions, conferences and other partner initiatives; including information through the Chemicals Health Monitor Bulletin
- ✓ **Exchange with other organisations and individuals working on your issues:** our alliance brings together a multitude of groups and experts from 26 different countries. Use our Annual General Assembly and other events to identify new partners, share your experiences and strategise on joint activities.
- ✓ **Virtual Working Groups, Seminars, Conferences and Training Sessions** through participation in one or more of HEAL's ongoing proceedings to learn and impart knowledge on activities, look for partners or expertise, and contribute to policy advocacy.

Key issues include:

EU Environment and Health Policy

Bio-monitoring

Children's Environment and Health

Environmental Cancer Prevention

Chemicals Policy

Shale Gas Fracturing

Climate Change

In-depth information on specific areas of priority through HEAL's collaborative projects, such as:

Chemicals Health Monitor: www.chemicalshealthmonitor.org

Cancer & Environment: www.environnement-et-cancer.com

Sick of Pesticides: www.pesticidescancer.eu

Healthier Environments for Children: <http://cehape.env-health.org>

Know your air for health: www.knowyourairforhealth.eu

Stay Healthy, Stop Mercury: www.env-health.org/stopmercury

Membership Fees

The standard HEAL membership fee is **€300 per year** for full and associate members.

For organisations from the Central and Eastern EU Member States HEAL the standard fee is **€100**.

To receive a HEAL Membership Application Form, or should you have any questions please contact us.

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