



Climate change and health - which role for the health sector in Poland?

Saturday, 8 December 2018

Rectorate of University of Silesia in Katowice
Bankowa 12 Street, Katowice

AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00 *Registration and coffee*

9:00 *Welcome*

Anne Stauffer, Health and Environment Alliance [HEAL]

9:10 *Video presentation: Climate change and health*

Dr. Maria Neira, WHO Director, Department of Public Health, Environmental and Social Determinants of Health

9:20 *Session 1: Diagnosing the health threats of climate change in Poland*

Introduction and chairing by Weronika Michalak, HEAL Poland

Presentations and Q&A

- *2018 Lancet Countdown – Briefing for EU policy-makers* – Dr. Jacek Kozakiewicz, MD, Vice-President of the Polish Chamber of Physicians and Dentists, member of Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME);
- *Climate change consequences in Poland* – Prof. Zbigniew Karaczun, SGGW Warsaw University of Life Sciences, Polish Climate Coalition;
- *Impact of air pollution on the occurrence and exacerbation of allergies and asthma* – Dr. Piotr Dąbrowiecki, MD, Military Institute of Medicine, Polish Federation of Asthma Associations, Allergy and COPD;
- *Cardiovascular consequences of heatwaves* - Prof. Andrzej Lekston, Silesian Center for Heart Diseases in Zabrze;
- *Spreading of vector diseases, case study* - Lyme disease N.N., National Institute of Public Health - National Institute of Hygiene;
- *Combustion of coal and other fossil fuels - impact on climate and health. Risk factors for the physical, social and lifestyle environment* – Dr. Tadeusz Jędrzejczyk, MD, Medical University of Gdańsk;

11:00 *Coffee break*

11:15 *Session 2: Addressing and responding to climate change – which role for the Polish health sector?*

Kick off presentation: *Health professionals' engagement at global level* – Dr. Jeni Miller, Executive Director, Global Climate and Health Alliance

Chairing by Weronika Michalak, HEAL Poland

11:30 *Panel and audience discussion*

Presentations and Q&A

- *Health professionals engaged for climate mitigation and healthy buildings in the European region* – Vijoleta Gordeljevic, HEAL;
- *Health sector coalition building on climate and air – the example of Sofia, Bulgaria* – Prof. Alex Simidchev, Air4Health, Bulgaria;
- *Involvement of public health experts in the fight for a healthy environment in Poland* - Prof. Wojciech Hanke, National Consultant of Environmental Health, Nofer Institute of Occupational Medicine;
- *Challenges related to climate change for the health and healthcare sector in Poland* – Prof. Tadeusz M Zielonka, Medical University of Warsaw, Polish Society of Lung Diseases;

12:30 *Conclusion – next steps*

Anne Stauffer, HEAL

End of the conference and lunch

*simultaneous translation English – Polish will be provided.

[Registration link](#) [due to security reasons only registered participants will be allowed to take part in this event]

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