

Meeting Minutes and Actions



Meeting	WUN GC Public Health Steering Group		
Date	Tuesday 16/Wednesday 17 January 2018		
Location	Teleconference		
Participants	<p>Professor Ngaire Kerse (Auckland), Chair Professor Mark Hanson (Southampton), Vice-Chair Dr Hayley Christian (Western Australia) Professor Nanne de Vries (Maastricht) A/Prof Kate O'Loughlin (Sydney) Dr David Olson (Alberta) Ms Deborah McAllister (Auckland) Dr. Jacquie Bay (Auckland), Schools Research Group John Hearn (WUN) Mike Hasenmueller (WUN) Marije Nieuwenhuis (WUN) Dr Chandni Jacob (Southampton)</p>		
Apologies	<p>Professor Yoav Ben-Shlomo (Bristol), Migration Research Group Professor Andy Ness (Bristol) Dr Amanda Mason-Jones (York) Professor Sian Griffiths (CUHK) Professor Guo, How-Ran (NCKU) Mr Bjorn Erik Andersen (Bergen) Ms Eleonora Gandolfi (Southampton) Dr Susan Jim (Bristol)</p>		
Guests	<p>Dr Dorcas Osei-Safo (Ghana) Dr Bronwen Ackerman (Western Australia) Dr Simon Poon (Sydney) Dr Zhizin Frank Feng (Southampton)</p>		
Prepared by	Deborah McAllister	Date	19 January 2018

Agenda Item	Subject
1	Welcome and introduction
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies noted – see above.
2	Review of September minutes and matters arising/actions
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes accepted as correct and actions completed from previous meeting 12/13 September 2017.
3	Report from the Secretariat
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University College Dublin joined the network in December 2017. • The group was reminded to engage with the newer members of WUN, specifically University College Dublin, Renmin University, Zhejiang University, Tec de Monterrey and University Federal Minas Gerais. • The secretariat thanked Chandni Jacob and Mark Hanson for their work on coordinating the workshop due to take place in May in Perth. • John Hearn requested to circulate papers from the World Health Workshops in 2017 – it was noted that the attendees are still awaiting publication of papers

	<p>from the workshop and will circulate to the group when published.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation is underway for the upcoming WUN AGM and meetings to be held in Perth in May. An indicative schedule is currently available on the website with registration info due in the coming weeks. Accommodation should be booked using the preferential rate prior to end of February. IRG reports are due end of January.
Actions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Papers from 2017 world health workshop to be circulated to the group when published.
4	Annual Review of GC Position Paper and 2018-19 Priorities
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The group received the updated position paper including priority areas for 2018-19. The revised paper included amendments agreed and actioned since the previous meeting to include a fourth focus area on <i>Life approach to healthy ageing</i>. A typo on page 2 was noted to be amended from 'amis' to 'aims'. John Hearn explained the paper is a core document to be published and referenced in the coming year and is fundamental to the development of the global challenge and WUN going forward. The Chair requested the group move to approve the document as final. There were no objections.
Actions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Typo on page 2 to be amended. Paper to be published on WUN webpages for reference.
5	Update on Public Health workshop "Promoting Adaptability across the Life course" 21-22 May 2018, Perth
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The group received the latest draft for the workshop programme, along with the application form for the ECR scholarship to attend. Mark Snowdon and Chandni Jacob provided an update on progress, including plans to have one or two life course experts as key speakers from WHO and UCL. It is anticipated representatives from the in-FLAME network may also be able to attend. Five ECR scholarship travel grants have been made available due to leftover funds from last year. Priority for these will be given to applicants from the Global South. The SG was encouraged to circulate ECR scholarship information to relevant colleagues. The group discussed whether to cap attendance numbers for the workshop and agreed to monitor registrations and to touch base in a month to review the level of interest and venue capacity. Nanne expressed gratitude to Mark & Chandni for the work gone into preparing the workshop.
Actions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Chandni to send updated publicity statement about workshop for SG to circulate Secretariat to inform SG when registration is available on website Chair to follow up with workshop sub-committee on number of registrations and interest in attendance
6	Research Development Fund 2017 Awards
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Four PIs from this year's successful RDF projects provided a brief introduction to their IRG as follows: Dorcas Osei-Safo (Ghana) introduced 'African Solutions to African Problems – Translating Indigenous Systems, Plants and Microbial Biodiversity into Drug Candidates for Neglected Tropical Diseases' Bronwen Ackerman on behalf of Suzanne Wijsman (UWA) introduced 'Health Education Access and Mobility for Musicians: A Global Approach' Simon Poon (Sydney) introduced 'The role of Big Data in Addressing the Determinants of non-communicable Diseases in the Ageing Era' Zhinzin Frank Feng (Southampton) introduced 'The effectiveness of health

	service/investment interventions aimed at reducing inequalities in health among older people in China: a longitudinal study'
7	Update from priority research groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Course and Ageing • Schools Research Group • Resilience Research Group • Health & Migration Research Group
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Olsen provided an update on the OPERA network, which is working with birth cohorts to assess various populations and assess new born developmental trajectories. The network has received substantial grant funding in the past year, specifically \$500k to study a Northern Alberta community. • Mark Hanson provided an update on the Life Course and Ageing research group who will be working with WHO over the next few months and anticipate documents from the June meeting to be published shortly. Mark noted the focus of the group's work in alignment to the WHO action plan, specifically paragraphs 17, 37, 66 and 67. • Jacqui Bay provided an update on the Schools research group who are focusing on improving public understanding, collaborating with the WUN health literacy IRG, developing a side project with NZ and Japanese collaborators and another project is in development working with pregnant women in Tonga, with researchers in Sydney and the Cook Islands interested in joining.
8	Cooperation with WUN Groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Africa Group, Global China Group, Policy Group, Big Data and Economics Recommendations for changes or additions to Steering Group Membership
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Hearn provided an update that both China and Africa groups are progressing rapidly and building strong network of researchers and focused work in China and Africa. • Last year saw an update of the membership of the SG and John encouraged the group to ensure it remains strong and inclusive of newer members, especially representatives from new WUN member universities.
Actions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Secretariat to circulate PH SG minutes to GAG, GCG & new members for information. 2. SG to receive update papers from GAG, GCG and policy group when these minutes are circulated.
9	Any other business
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group discussed who would be attending the PH workshop and SG meeting in Perth.
Actions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Members to notify Deb McAllister whether they will be attending SG meeting and/or Workshop in Perth.

Date and time of next meeting

23 May 2018 - University Club of Western Australia, Perth