



18th Annual International Conference on Health Economics, Management & Policy, 24-27 June 2019, Athens, Greece
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Monday 24 June 2019

Conference Venue: Titania Hotel, 52 Panepistimiou Avenue, Athens, Greece (close to metro station *Panepistimio*)

07:50-08:20 Registration and Refreshments

08:30-09:00 (Room A - 10th Floor): [Welcome and Opening Address](#) by Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER.

09:00-10:30 Session I (Room A - 10th Floor): Urban Health: Metabolic Syndrome & Diabetes

Chair: George Zahariadis, Associate Professor and Director, Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Public Health Laboratory, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada.

1. [Steffani Driggins](#), Associate Professor, Allen University, USA & [Kareem Muhammad](#), Assistant Professor, Allen University, USA. Metabolic Syndrome Study at a Historically Black College/University in South Carolina.
2. [Sudha Sivadas](#), Graduate Student, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia & [Normaz Wana Ismail](#), Associate Professor, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia. Urbanisation and Prevalence of Non-Communicable Diseases in Malaysia.

10:30-12:00 Session II (Room A - 10th Floor): Health Care & Providers

Chair: Steffani Driggins, Associate Professor, Allen University, USA.

1. [George Zahariadis](#), Associate Professor and Director, Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Public Health Laboratory, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada, [Robert Needle](#), Research and Development Scientist, Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Public Health Laboratory, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada and [Laura Gilbert](#), Informatician, Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Public Health Laboratory, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada. Molecular Multiplex Testing for Acute Gastroenteritis: Transformative Effect on Enteric Disease Management and Surveillance.
2. [Lars-Ake Levin](#), Professor, Linköping University, Sweden & [Therese Eriksson](#), PhD Student, Linköping University, Sweden. Effects of a Value based Reimbursement System - An Example from Stockholm, Sweden.
3. [Hannah Ashwood-Smith](#), Nurse Educator, Camosun College, Canada & [Lorelei Newton](#), Nurse Educator, Camosun College, Canada. *Poverty is our Biggest Enemy: A Multi-Country Study on Canadian Nursing Student's Global Health Knowledge Acquisition during International Learning Experiences.*

12:00-13:30 Session III (Room A - 10th Floor): Hospitals

Chair: Lars-Ake Levin, Professor, Linköping University, Sweden.

1. Justyna Roj, Associate Professor, Poznań University of Economics and Business, Poland. Financial Performance Index for University Hospitals: DEA Approach. Case of Poland.
2. Ivan Bosnjak, Doctor of Medicine, Community Health Centre Zagreb, Croatia & Marija Bosnjak, Employee at Ernst & Young, University of Zagreb, Croatia. Lean System Management in Hospitals.
3. Omar Da'ar, Assistant Professor, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences, Saudi Arabia, Khalid Alahmary, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences, Saudi Arabia & Majid Alsalamah, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences, Saudi Arabia. Association between Emergency Department Visits and Predisposing, Enabling, Need, and Reinforcing Social Factors in an Acute Setting.

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:30-16:00 Session IV (Room A - 10th Floor): Primary Care

Chair: Giuliano Masiero, Associate Professor, University of Bergamo, Italy.

1. Helen Naug, Senior Lecturer, Griffith University, Australia, Peta Coles, Honours Student, Griffith University, Australia & Natalie Colson, Senior Lecturer, Griffith University, Australia. Health Literacy as an Important Consideration for Intervention Programs.
2. Ging Chan, Associate Professor, University of Macau, Macau, Yan Guo, Master Student, University of Macau, Macau, Yunfeng Lai, Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Macau, Macau, Hao Hu, Associate Professor, University of Macau, Macau & Carolina Ung, Professor, University of Macau, Macau. A Comparative Study on Drug Utilization for Respiratory Diseases at Rural Primary Medical Institutions and Urban Primary Medical Institutions in China.

16:00-17:30 Session V (Room A - 10th Floor): Social Determinants

Chair: Harald Stummer, Head of Institute and Professor, UMIT – University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology, Austria.

1. Giuliano Masiero, Associate Professor, University of Bergamo, Italy and Università della Svizzera italiana, Switzerland, Michael Santarossa, PhD Student, University of Pavia, Italy & Fabrizio Mazzonna, Associate Professor, Università della Svizzera italiana, Switzerland. Does Social Expenditure Mitigate the Effect of Environmental Shocks on Health?
2. Adel Zeglam, Consultant Neurodevelopment Pediatrician, Professor, Tripoli University Hospital, Libya. Is Autism a Major Public Health Concern? Libyan Perspective.
3. Shuhan Jiang, Lecturer, Zhejiang Chinese Medical University, China. Unassisted Smoking Cessation in China: A Population-Based Study.

21:00-23:00 Greek Night and Dinner

Tuesday 25 June 2019

08:30-12:00 Session VI: An Educational Urban Walk in Modern and Ancient Athens

Group Discussion on Ancient and Modern Athens.

Visit to the Most Important Historical and Cultural Monuments of the City (be prepared to walk and talk as in the ancient peripatetic school of Aristotle)

Conference Venue: University of Athens (Kapodistriako), 48 Akadimias Street, Athens, Greece ([map](#), close to metro station *Panepistimio*)

12:30-14:00 Session VII (Room A): Child and Adolescent Health

Chair: Carine Milcent, Professor, Paris School of Economics, France.

1. Melinda Ickes, Associate Professor, University of Kentucky, USA & Jakob Hester, Wellness Specialist, University of Kentucky, USA. E-cigarette Use among Emerging Adults: Is Juuling Just a Trend?
2. Yawei Guo, Master Student, Shandong University, China. Comparing the Economic Burden of Diabetes Mellitus in Children with and without Medical Insurance: A Cross-Section Study in Shandong Province.
3. Tulasi Malini Maharatha, Research Scholar, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, India. Horizontal Inequity in Child Health Care Services in India: A Cross Sectional Study Using the Demographic Health Survey 2015-16.

14:00-15:00 Lunch (Details during registration)

15:00-16:30 Session VIII (Room A): Maternal, Paediatric and Child Health

Chair: Melinda Ickes, Associate Professor, University of Kentucky, USA.

1. Carine Milcent, Professor, Paris School of Economics, France. Impact of Private Health Insurance on a Public Healthcare System: The Case of Cesarean Deliveries.
2. Tina Montreuil, Assistant Professor, McGill University, Canada. School-Based Mental Health: Barriers, Evidence, and the Need for a Policy-Oriented Approach.
3. Min Yu, Professor, Academy of Military Medical Sciences, China. Impact of Conditional Cash Transfer Scheme on Maternal and Child Health in China Rural Area: A Qualitative Semi-structured Interview Study.

16:30-18:00 Session IX (Room A): Pharmaceuticals

Chair: Justyna Roj, Associate Professor, Poznań University of Economics and Business, Poland.

1. Edina Sinanovic, Head, Health Economics Division, University of Cape Town, South Africa. Cost of Treatment for Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis in Different Models of Delivery in South Africa.
2. Manfred Hofstaetter, PhD Student, UMIT – University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology, Austria & Harald Stummer, Head of Institute and Professor, UMIT – University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology, Austria. Successful Pharmacy Management from a Customer Perspective in Times of Progressive Market Liberalization and Digitalization – Influencing Factors on the Example of Austria.

20:30-22:00 Dinner

Wednesday 26 June 2019
Mycenae and Island of Poros Visit
Educational Island Tour

Thursday 27 June 2019
Delphi Visit

Friday 28 June 2019
Ancient Corinth and Cape Sounion

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