

ACTIVITY REPORT 2021 CENTRAL & EAST EUROPEAN HEALTH POLICY NETWORK

About the CEE Health Policy Network

Central & East European Health Policy Network (further CEE HPN, or network) is an international think-tank seated in Bratislava, which was established in 2011.

The mission of the network is to influence the health care system change in CEE countries for the benefit of the consumer.

The vision of the network is to have a strong and growing network of health policy experts in CEE countries. The network is recognized as a point of influence towards sustainable consumer-oriented healthcare systems.

Membership

At the beginning of 2021, the CEE HPN had 7 members - Peter Pažitný, Wesley Berkovsky, Paul van Hoof, Alain Rinaldi, Santiago Delgado, Martin Kundrát and Adam Kruszewski. In December 2021, Robert Vincze from Slovakia became the new CEE HPN member.

Since October 2021, network has also new Coordinator, L'ubica Löffler, an analyst and consultant at Pažitný & Kandilaki, Slovakia. Natália Urbanová continued to support new coordinator and will do so in 2022 as well.

In the middle of October, L'ubica Löffler contacted all CEE HPN members regarding prolongation of their membership for 2022. Based on the approved CEE HPN membership conditions, members are obligated to pay annually a compulsory membership fee in amount of 100 EUR due each year on November 15th.

Approved CEE HPN membership conditions are published here: http://www.ceehpn.eu/index.php/membership

All members decided to prolong their membership in the network for 2022 and pay a fee in amount of 100 EUR. With additional one new member, at the beginning of 2022 the CEE HPN has in total 8 members.

During the annual meeting in November 2021, members agreed to form an Observer status for those who are following CEE HPN activities but have not decided yet to become the members. Status Observer could be granted to new applicants for CEE HPN membership for their first year. They could participate on regular meetings (virtual monthly meetings), contribute to the network with their experience/knowledge but they would have no voting rights and would not pay membership fee for this first year. After this year they would have to decide to stay or leave.





Changes in CEE HPN organization

The site of CEE HPN was moved to Sliačska 1E, Bratislava in November 2021. The Office is shared with the MESA10 office, an independent economic think tank. Natália Urbanová is located in HQ in Bratislava.

In December 2021, CEE HPN was registered for 2% tax donations. This was administrated by Peter Pažitný, Natália Urbanová and Ľubica Löffler. All the necessary information for donors was published on CEE HPN webpage here: http://ceehpn.eu/index.php/2-donation

Additionally, possibility to donate 2% income tax will be promoted by social media.

Fundraising activities in 2021 brought the first sponsorship from PHI. With this sponsorship the CEE HPN can cover following costs:

- 1. Transportation costs, accommodation and meal of CEE HPN members and CEE HPN staff during the annual meetings (in 2021,2022).
- 2. Organizational, administrational, rental, telecommunication, marketing and communication costs of the CEE HPN (in 2021,2022)
- 3. Personal costs of the CEE HPN staff (in 2021,2022)

L'ubica Löffler is responsible for reimbursement together with CEE HPN financial accountant Ildikó Uhrínová.

Fulfilment of the activities planned for 2021

Annual meeting 2021 was originally scheduled for November 25-26th 2021 in Bratislava. Five out of seven members confirmed their participation in the meeting. Unfortunately, due to worsen pandemic situation and with it connected restrictions introduced a few days prior meeting, it was not possible to meet in person and the whole meeting took place virtually. The participating members agreed on several points.

- Project Evaluation of Strategic Scenarios 2020 "Scenarios vs., Facts ". It was agreed that initial project (Strategic Scenarios 2020) was a success and the network should build on this. Members will come back to this project later when CEE HPN will also have new members from countries that were originally described in scenarios.
- To promote CEE HPN activities on social media and home page, it was agreed to hire a communication company Katedra Komunikacie that has solid experience with communication between stakeholders in healthcare sector.
- All participating members agreed that it is desired to increase the number of members. The Observer status was introduced as well as regular virtual monthly meetings.





Planned activities for the year 2022

In 2022, the CEE HPN would like to become more active, visible and gain new members. Planned activities

- 1. Working papers series the idea is to write and publish 2-3 analytical papers a year. The first paper will be written on topic Paper #1 (2022) - Poor technical infrastructure of Slovak healthcare system (investment gap growing) & new models of recapitalization of healthcare (PPP, PPIP, concessions, Recovery and resilience plan). Further topics will be agreed among members during the year.
- 2. Monthly virtual meetings once a month, L'ubica Löffler will organize virtual meeting where members as well as invited guests, observers may freely exchange ideas, opinions, concerns and discuss the hot topics in healthcare.
- 3. Annual meeting in Madrid in June 2022 annual meeting will also include a visit at Ribera Salud hospital.
- 4. Activities on social media Facebook and LinkedIn accounts will bring regular posts informing followers about news, opinions, comments, statements etc.

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