During these last years, social determinants of health have been obtaining an increasing importance in the political agenda of many European countries and consequently many policies have been adopted in order to tackle health inequalities. In Italy the institutional awareness on this issue is raising up and some important actions have been implemented so far. For example health inequalities have been included among the priorities of two important documents of the Italian health governance: National Health Plan and in the proposal of the new Prevention National Plan.

Therefore the National Institute for Health, Migration and Poverty (NIHMP) has been asked to provide support to the Italian Regions in the implementation of these new competences and responsibilities. The NIHMP has the task to promote networking initiatives among the Italian regions aimed at increasing knowledge and competences on the actions on health inequalities and to facilitate the coordination of these initiatives with the European Regions in particular with south European Countries. The Conference represents an important event to promote the dialogue among the main stakeholders, facilitate the exchange of experiences and best practices, stimulate and strengthening the capacity of networking and improving the overall efficiency and effectiveness of interventions. The "Health in all policies", along with the cooperation and intersectoral actions, constitutes a promising approach to increase the accountability of other sectors towards the health sector, as well as the promotion of equity in health and the promotion of a more inclusive society.

The Conference is organized within the framework of the project "Mattone Internazionale" coordinated by Tuscany and Veneto Regions under the auspices of the Italian Ministry of Health. The project foresees the implementation of educational and information activities addressed to Ministry organizations, Italian Regions, local social-health authorities, hospitals as well as other stakeholders involved in health topics, in order to promote the dissemination of EU policies and opportunities to access EU financed programs in the framework of health in the national territory. The NIHMP has the duty to disseminate the knowledge and best practices on the actions implemented in Italy to reduce health inequalities and to increase the awareness and the responsibility of the decision makers.

Venue: Auditorium Santa Apollonia, Via San Gallo 25/A, Florence, Italy
Agenda

9.30 Registration
10.00 Welcome Note
   Tuscany Authorities
   Francesco Cicogna  Representative of the Italian Ministry of Health
   Concetta Mirisola  Director of NIHMP

Plenary Session  Chair: Maria José Caldés (Global Health Center/Meyer)
10.30 The social determinants of health: A global agenda
   Michael Marmot, Institute of Health Equity

11.30 WHO 2020: The inequalities in health
   Thierry Mertens, WHO/Euro

12.00 The Health Inequalities in Tuscany Region
   Andrea Vannucci, Tuscany Region

12.30 The White Paper on health inequalities in Italy
   Giuseppe Costa, University of Turin

13.00 Lunch Break

Parallel Sessions
14.00 Session organised by NIHMP: The South European Network on the social determinants of health
   moderators  Michael Marmot, Institute of Health Equity
               Gianfranco Costanzo, INMP

14.00 Session organised by the project “Mattone Internazionale”: Regional experiences to tackle inequalities in health
   moderators  Maria José Caldés, Global Health Center/Meyer
               Alba Finarelli, Emilia Romagna Region

Plenary
17:30 Working Groups output presentation
18:00 Conclusions
   Alberto Zanobini, University Hospital Meyer
   Giuseppe Costa, University of Turin

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