3rd Scientific Symposium of the AHEAD Network

“Going beyond the measurement of inequalities in health and well-being in the Middle-Eastern and North African (MENA) region: what has been learnt and what is yet to be learnt?”

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Dear conference participants,

It is my pleasure to welcome all of you to the 3rd Scientific Symposium of the AHEAD network. The AHEAD Symposium is a unique gathering of specialists in the fields of health economics, public economics, epidemiology, sociology, and public health. The symposium is the premiere Euro-Mediterranean regional event where researchers and scholars from both developed and developing countries meet to discuss research results and to work on future scientific collaborations.

Since its inauguration in the spring of 2015, the AHEAD Network, the first of its kind in the region, has been a success. The 1st symposium of the network, held at the American University of Beirut, Lebanon, on March 18th 2015, was the event that witnessed the birth of the AHEAD network. In addition to celebrating its inauguration, participants of this 1st symposium brought to light evidence of massive inequalities in health and well-being in the Middle-East and North African (MENA) region. More importantly, researchers called for a non-conventional approach to the analysis of inequalities in health and well-being in the particular context of this region and agreed to work together, through this network, to advance research and collaboration towards the development of more refined approaches to the measurement of inequalities.

Indeed, building on previous experiences of the researchers involved, the network’s researchers have collaboratively worked during the last three years to improve the measurement of various aspects of inequality in health within a broader perspective of well-being. Specifically, the network has sought to elaborate a compatible-to-context approach that can enable linking systematic inequalities in health to their structural causes. Thanks to several collaborations, the network has benefited from various research experiences in the context of the region, in addition to micro-data sets providing detailed information on different aspects of health and well-being in several countries in the MENA region.

The 2nd symposium of the AHEAD network, held at the University of Tunis (Institut Supérieur de Gestion), Tunisia, on December 18th 2015, was the occasion to present and discuss new research findings and prospects of further collaboration. Together with a workshop on the feasibility and challenges of expanding the breadth of health coverage towards achieving the goal of Universal Health Coverage in the MENA Region (organized in collaboration with our partner MaCMA-ISG on December 16th and 17th 2015), the 2nd symposium was also a success. It reflects the need for such a network, the vital role that it plays, and the importance of uniting researchers in various disciplines on current topics relating to equity, health and development.

Mohammad ABU-ZAINEH
AHEAD Network Coordinator
That we gather once again this year in Marseille under the joint auspices of the Aix-Marseille School of Economics (AMSE) and the Economics and Social Sciences of Health and Treatment of Medical Information (SESSTIM-UMR 912) research unit is particularly appropriate. The theme of this 3rd symposium, “Going beyond the measurement of inequalities in health and well-being in the MENA region: What has been learnt and what is yet to be learnt?”, reflects the growing research projects that have been completed. Indeed, resulting findings invite us to go beyond the simple measurement and diagnosis of inequalities and to translate research results into appropriate policies that are capable of reducing not only the wide disparities in many dimensions of well-being in the MENA region but also their causes. Although some questions have not yet been addressed by our current research, due mainly to the lack of adequate data, we have learnt a lot from these findings.

The program of this 3rd symposium of the AHEAD network is very attractive in terms of the topics proposed and the participants who come from different MENA countries. The symposium covers four main themes including the measurement of social welfare and social justice; universal health coverage; health systems and inequalities and spatial Inequalities in health with case studies on countries across the region. It also reflects our progress towards the achievement of the goals we set 3 years ago. I am amazed by how much things have advanced within the last three years. I recall the discussion that we had here in Marseille on April 3rd 2014 on the importance of building a network to reinforce our collaboration. At that time, the participants urged for, and agreed on, uniting their efforts to contribute to the development of networking and refine approaches that are compatible with the context of the region. We all agreed to go AHEAD.

Before I conclude, I would like to express my gratitude to all of you for having proposed such wonderfully interesting contributions and for all those who participated in the organization of this symposium. I wish you all a successful conference and joyful stay in sunny Marseille.

Mohammad ABU-ZAINEH
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The Applied Health, Equity and Development Research Network (AHEAD) unites researchers in various research disciplines (economics, epidemiology, public health, sociology of health...) from both developed and developing countries on current topics relating to equity, health and development. The network seeks to identify, in a multidisciplinary way, the determinants of health, health inequality and well-being in developing countries with a particular focus on the Middle East and North African (MENA) and Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) regions. It was created at the beginning of 2015 as part of the SANTEMED project (grant n° ANR-11-IDEX-0001-02) financed by the University Foundation Aix-Marseille Initiative of Excellence (A*MIDEX).

AHEAD aims to facilitate scientific exchange between researchers and to help pool together existing knowledge on questions relating to health and development. It aims to specifically extend the analysis of health inequality and well-being in MENA and SSA countries. Questions relating to the measurement and evaluation of these inequalities are explored through several transversal research themes:

- The measurement of health inequalities and well-being
- The measurement of equity in access to health and financing
- The impact of inequalities in well-being on human development
- The evaluation of the feasibility of Universal Health Coverage in developing countries
- The evaluation of intergenerational effects of UHC on well-being.

For further information on the AHEAD network, please consult our website www.ahead-network.org or www.resd-network.org

**AHEAD Scientific Symposium**

AHEAD Scientific Symposium is the premiere Euro-Mediterranean regional event where researchers and scholars from both developed and developing countries meet; where research results are discussed; where research proposals and scientific collaborations are nourished and where excellence is celebrated. The 1st and the 2nd symposiums of the AHEAD network were held in Beirut, Lebanon, on March 18th 2014 and in Tunis, Tunisia, on December 18th 2015, respectively.

The 3rd AHEAD symposium is being held in Marseille, France, on June 9th and 10th 2016 under the theme “Going beyond the measurement of inequalities in health and well-being in the Middle-Eastern and North African (MENA) region: What has been learnt and what is yet to be learnt?”. This symposium brings together specialists in the fields of health economics, public economics, epidemiology and sociology, to discuss approaches to the measurement and interpretation of inequalities in health and well-being.

There will be 15 presentations by invited guests and network members as well as interventions by internal researchers (SESSTIM and AMSE). Each session will consist of four presentations with discussions. The symposium will close with a round table on future research collaboration. The 3rd symposium is organised in collaboration with Aix-Marseille School of Economics (AMSE) and the Economics and Social Sciences, Health Care Systems and Societies (SESSTIM-UMR 912) research unit.
AHEAD e-platform (website)
AHEAD has launched its website (www.ahead-network.org) that contains consolidated information and data on health, equity and development for countries of the MENA and SSA regions. This data is collected from multiple sources including international organisations and national statistical offices. The website also offers access to an e-platform that facilitates exchange between researchers.

AHEAD forum
The AHEAD network forum is the first public discussion platform for scientific research in the social and economics sciences applied to health and development. The AHEAD forum is a place where members of the scientific research community can help each other out and exchange views on a wide variety of topics related to our main research themes: applied health, equity and development.
The forum aims to create a more effective support for scientific research through transnational cooperation and information exchange via a sustainable, broad-based network of researchers, providing them with an active platform to learn, collaborate, advocate and promote excellence in the following research areas:
- Health and health care services.
- Socio-economic inequality and social justice.
- Human development and wellbeing.
To join AHEAD network forum please register on www.ahead-network.org/forum

AHEAD working paper series
The network has a working paper series that constitutes the “work in progress” and the “work under review”. They are published to stimulate discussion and contribute to the advancement of knowledge in the respective fields.
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How to arrive to the conference venue

From the Vieux-Port

- Walking (about 10 minutes):
  - Take the Rue de la République (on your right when facing the port) - 200m
  - Continue onto Rue de la République - 400m
  - At the roundabout (Place Sadi Carnot), continue onto Rue de la République - 100 m
  - Turn left onto Passage de Lorette (located at number 51 of the street)
  - Go up the stairs and continue onto Rue de Lorette - 100 m
  - Continue onto Rue du Petit Puits - 50 m
  - Continue onto Rue de la Charité - 50 m
  - The Centre de la Vieille Charité is located on your right.

From Central Train Station (Gare Marseille Saint Charles)

Option 1 - Metro 2 and walking

- Take metro line 2 (red) towards Bougainville and stop at Joliette station
- Continue on foot (about 10 minutes) :
  - Rue de la République - 100 m
  - Turn right onto Rue de l’Evêché - 200 m
  - Turn left onto Rue Jean-François Leca - 100 m
  - Turn right onto Rue de l’Observance - 200 m
  - Continue to the left onto Rue de la Charité - 100 m
  - The Vieille Charité center is located on your left.

Option 2 - Metro 1 and walking

- Take metro line 1 (blue) towards La Fouragerre and stop at Colbert station
- Continue on foot (about 10 minutes) :
  - Take Rue Saint Barbe (downhill then right) - 50 m
  - Turn right onto Rue Puvis de Chavannes - 50 m
  - At the end of the street turn right onto Rue Colbert - 100 m
  - At the roundabout (Place Sadi Carnot), turn right onto Rue de la République - 100 m
  - Turn left onto Passage de Lorette (located at number 51 of the street)
  - Go up the stairs and continue onto Rue de Lorette - 100 m
  - Continue onto Rue du Petit Puits - 50 m
  - Continue onto Rue de la Charité - 50 m
  - The Centre de la Vieille Charité is located on your right.

Option 3 - Walking (about 20 minutes)

- Exit the station using “Sortie - Centre ville - La Canébière - Le Vieux-Port” and bend slightly left
- Or, exit the station using “Sortie - Square Narvik” and bend slightly right
- Go down the large stairs in front of the station - 100 m
- Continue straight down on Boulevard d’Athènes - 100 m
- Turn right onto Rue des Dominicaines - 400 m
- Continue onto Rue Puvis de Chavannes - 300 m
- Turn slightly right onto Rue Colbert - 100 m
- At the roundabout (Place Sadi Carnot), turn right onto Rue de la République - 100 m
- Turn left onto Passage de Lorette (located at number 51 of the street)
- Go up the stairs and continue onto Rue de Lorette - 100 m
- Continue onto Rue du Petit Puits - 50 m
- Continue onto Rue de la Charité - 50 m
- The Vieille Charité center is located on your right.
General Information

From Marseille-Provence airport

- Access by bus - Airport Marseille-Provence/Gare St. Charles Shuttle (line 91): every 20 minutes from 5:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m., including Saturdays and Sundays.
- Price: 8.50 EUR one way ticket.
- Journey time: 30 minutes

Once at the Vieille Charité

- Once you have reached the entrance of the building, enter the courtyard and follow the external corridor on your left.
- At the end of the corridor, there should be a door to the left.
- You have reached your destination.

Coffee Breaks

Coffee breaks will be served on front of
Salle du miroir, Centre de la Vieille Charité

Lunch

Lunch will be at the restaurant
Le Bistronome
5 Place Sadi-Carnot
13002 Marseille

Gala Dinner

Dinner will take place at restaurant
La Nautique
Pavillon Flottant
Face au 20 Quai de Rive Neuve
13007 Marseille
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