

## **Research committee „Sociology of Health“**

### **Conferences 2008**

Co-organisation of the German-speaking conference „Auf dem Weg zur ‚Gesundheitsgesellschaft‘?“, 27. - 29. March 2008 in Bad Gleichenberg (Steiermark, Austria) in co-operation with our German and Austrian committees of sociology of health and medicine.

### **Regional groups 2008**

The Geneva group regularly organises talks and discussions in the area of interest to sociology of health and medicine.

### **Activities of board**

- We met twice this year.
- Co-organisation of the German-speaking conference with our German and Austrian committees of sociology of health and medicine. „Pflegebedürftig“ in der „Gesundheitsgesellschaft“. Langzeitbetreuung und Pflege im Spannungsfeld neuer Bewältigungsstrategien. 26.-28. März 2009, Halle Germany.
- In October 2008 we participated in the consultation concerning the draft on the federal law for prevention and health promotion as well as the draft on the law concerning a federal institute for prevention and health promotion.
- Also this year we regularly distributed information by email on scientific meetings or job vacancies in areas relevant for us. We have about 100 registered members for our mailing list. Our members work at Swiss universities (of applied sciences) as well as other health institutions and stem from the whole of Switzerland. Anyone interested in health topics can become a member of our committee and register for the mailing list. For distributing information on the mailing list or for registering as a member – please contact us (page@zhaw.ch).
- We updated our address list of our members.

### **Planned activities 2009**

- Co-organiser of and active participation at the German-speaking conference with our German and Austrian committees of sociology of health and medicine. „Pflegebedürftig“ in der „Gesundheitsgesellschaft“. Langzeitbetreuung und Pflege im Spannungsfeld neuer Bewältigungsstrategien. 26.-28. März 2009, Halle Germany.
- Workshop at the conference of the Swiss Sociological Society, September 7-9, 2009 in Geneva University on identity and lifestyles transformations.

### **Co-ordination**

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