

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

### **Active board members**

Claudine Burton-Jeangros - Department of Sociology, University of Geneva  
Jérôme Debons - Haute école cantonale vaudoise de la santé, Geneva (*new*)  
Josef Estermann - Orlux Sozialforschung, Luzern & Institute of Sociology, FU Berlin  
Oliver Hämmig - Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Zurich  
Nicole Maeder - School of Health Professions, Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Winterthur  
(Webmistress, *new*)  
Maja Mylaeus-Renggli - Spitex-Verband Schweiz, Bern (Treasurer)  
Julie Page - School of Health Professions, Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Winterthur  
(President)  
Matthias Richter, Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Berne (*new*)

Sociologists who are interested in actively participating in our research committee on the board are welcome to get in contact with us.

### **Resignations from board**

We would like to thank our colleagues for the support over the last years and wish them all the best for the future. Hopefully we will still hear and read from them.

Laila Burla, Swiss Health Observatory, Neuchâtel  
Sophie Paroz - Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Lausanne  
Maja Mylaeus-Renggli - Spitex-Verband Schweiz, Bern

### **Advisory board**

This year we newly constituted an advisory board to support the active board members in strategic matters concerning the research committee and to support networking. The advisory board consists of past board members who know the research committees' activities and philosophy.

Thomas Abel - Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine, University of Berne  
Mary Haour-Knipe, Geneva  
Claudia König - Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Winterthur  
Peter C. Meyer - Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Winterthur

### **Conferences 2010**

- Conference „Zum Verhältnis von sozialwissenschaftlicher Forschung und Praxis: (Des-) Orientierungswissen?“ held at the College of Education Thurgau, 29.-30.10.2010, Organised by the research committees „Soziale Probleme“, „Interpretative Sozialforschung“ and „Sociology of Health“.

### **Other activities**

- The board met twice this year in Berne.
- In Geneva there is a regional group regularly organising talks and discussions in the area of interest to sociology of health and medicine.
- We have started to organise the traditional conference with our Austrian and German colleagues planned for 1.-2.6.2012 in Winterthur, Switzerland.
- As every year we regularly distributed information by email on scientific meetings or job vacancies in areas relevant to us. We have about 100 registered members on our mailing list. Our members work at Swiss universities (of applied sciences) as well as other health

institutions and come from the whole area of Switzerland. Anyone interested in health topics can become a member of our committee and register for the mailing list.

#### **Planned conference 2012**

- Traditional conference with our Austrian and German colleagues planned 1.-2.6.2012 in Winterthur, Switzerland (suggested topic: medical professions).

#### **Website**

<http://www.sociohealth.ch>

#### **Co-ordination**

For indicating interest in joining the board, distributing information on the mailing list or for registering as a member – please contact:

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