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Uniting for Global Health

The **Dutch Society for Tropical Medicine & Global Health (NVTG)**, the **Training Institute Global Health and Tropical Medicine (OIGT)**, and the **Knowledge Centre on Global Health (KCGH)** have joined forces to bring you a consolidated source of updates and activities in the field of global health in the form of a **joint newsletter**.

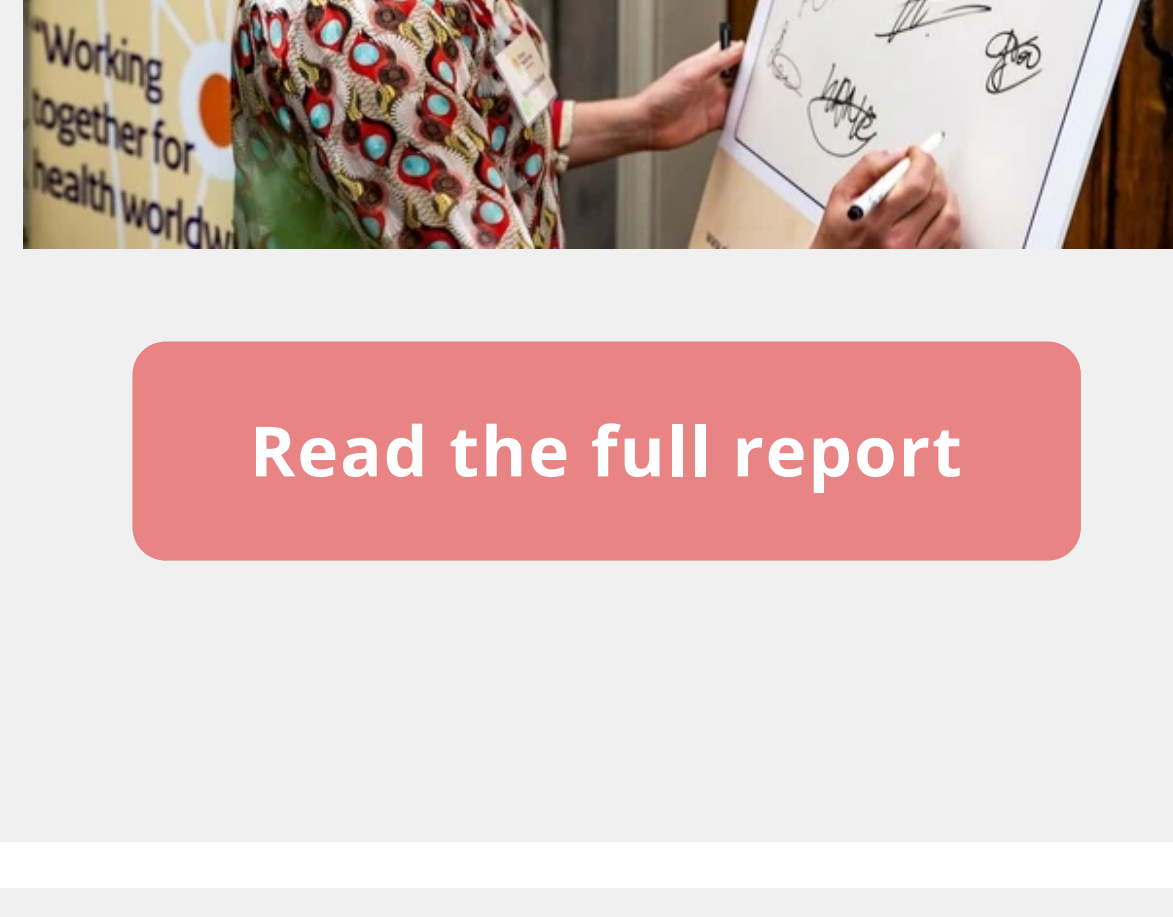
We strive to collectively inform you **every month** with the latest news regarding activities, updates, funding opportunities and more.

If you wish to share something via this newsletter, please reach out to communicatie@kcgh.nl

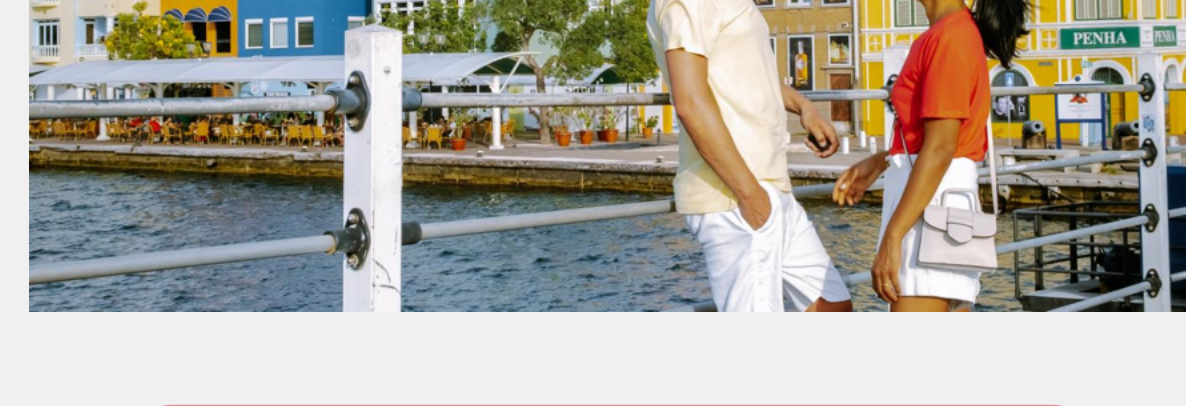
News

Dutch Global Health Hub

Two weeks ago, **three communities of practice (COP)** within the **Dutch Global Health Hub** with several NVTG members, including young professionals. In the upcoming months, we'll collaborate with partners and co-leaders to enhance our collective efforts within the community of practice. Check out the report on the Global Health Hub (GHH) launch for a detailed overview of the event, capturing the atmosphere, participant interactions, and key highlights.



[Read the full report](#)



Caribbean Healthcare Research Insights

In the exploration of programming possibilities for healthcare research in the Caribbean part of the Kingdom, research has been conducted, facilitated by ZonMw, on health issues present on the islands and the organisations that can play a role in addressing them.

[Read the full report](#)

Sustainable coalition agreement

The Netherlands is a signatory to the **UN Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs), but the SDGs have not been prioritised and risk being further neglected in the coming years.

Do you also want our future leaders to remain **accountable** to the SDGs? Please let your organisation sign the manifest on the **sustainable coalition agreement**. Already **1500** organisations have signed, but healthcare organizations are leaving behind. We cannot let that be, given the importance of **SDG 3 health** and its interconnection to other SDGs. So please ask your organisation to sign!



[Read the full manifest](#)

New working group NVTG

A new working group (**AIGT Voorgoed**) within the NVTG has been established by young AIGT professionals in the Netherlands, aiming to **clarify and strengthen the position** of AIGTs in the country. The group's primary goal is to define roles for AIGTs in various fields, such as hospitals, primary care, and policy-making, emphasising competencies and responsibilities, with the ultimate aim of enabling AIGTs to have designated positions and corresponding salaries in diverse healthcare settings. If interested, individuals are encouraged to join the initiative to expand support for AIGTs in the Netherlands.



[Read more](#)

Vacancy @KCGH

KCGH is looking for a new **project- and communications officer (16hrs/week)**. Do you know anyone who might be interested (or are you interested yourself)? Please do share the vacancy via [LinkedIn](#) or our [website](#). Thank you!



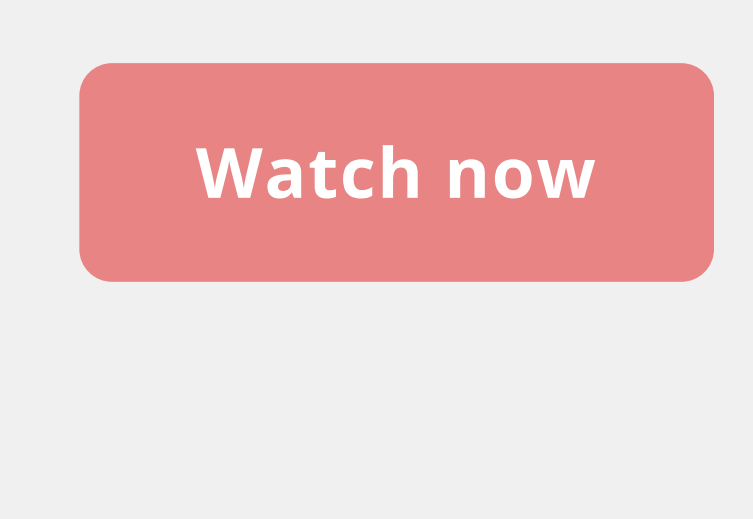
[Read the vacancy](#)

ECTMIH2023

ECTMIH2023: A recap!

As we bid farewell to an extraordinary conference, we extend heartfelt thanks for your active participation. ECTMIH2023 went beyond a scientific event, fostering a shared exploration for planetary health and universal well-being. [Read more here](#). A few last updates:

1. You can now watch the **recordings** of the main hall sessions.
2. Many **pictures** have been made during the conference, you can find those here.



[Watch now](#)

Contribution WHIG

The world is changing: Aging, migration, shifting climate, epidemics, and a shortage of healthcare professionals contribute to inequality. This occurs not only globally but also at the local level, extending beyond countries to major cities like Amsterdam. In Amsterdam, for example, residents in adjacent neighbourhoods may experience a 15-year difference in life expectancy. The future physician must acquire new competencies: adaptability, the ability to work in interdisciplinary teams without hierarchy, and the ability to provide targeted care based on local data. It is crucial to continually learn from global examples. Fleur de Meijer from the WHIG working group presented the work from Kenya, where an innovative curriculum has been implemented, teaching crucial competencies to trainee general practitioners.

Not only the WHIG contributed to ECTMIH: we thank everyone wholeheartedly for their interesting and inspiring sessions!



ECTMIH2023 podcast

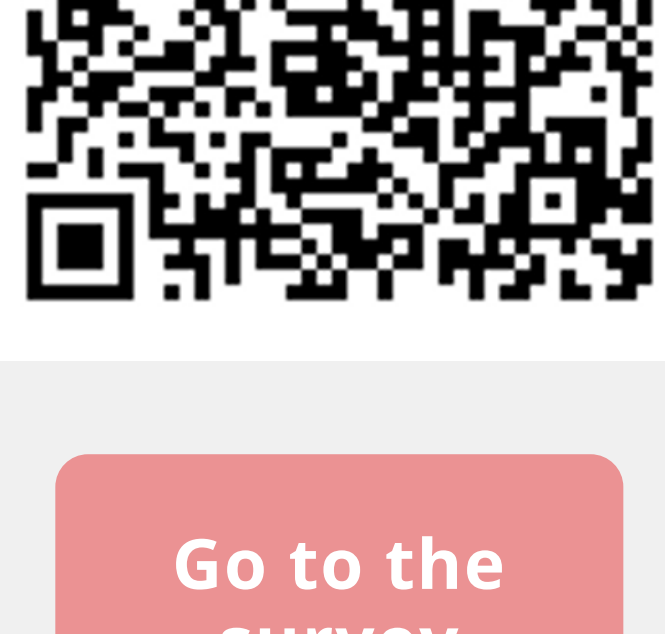
Ashis Brahma and Doris van der Heijden worked hard during ECTMIH2023 to collect a wide array of perspectives on Planetary Health, the conference and many more Global Health topics. Coming with a new conversation every Mon-, Wed, and Friday, make sure to subscribe for the **ECTMIH2023 Aftershow podcast**, powered by **KCGH**.



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Your input is requested

Survey on Schistosomiasis knowledge among European HCPs



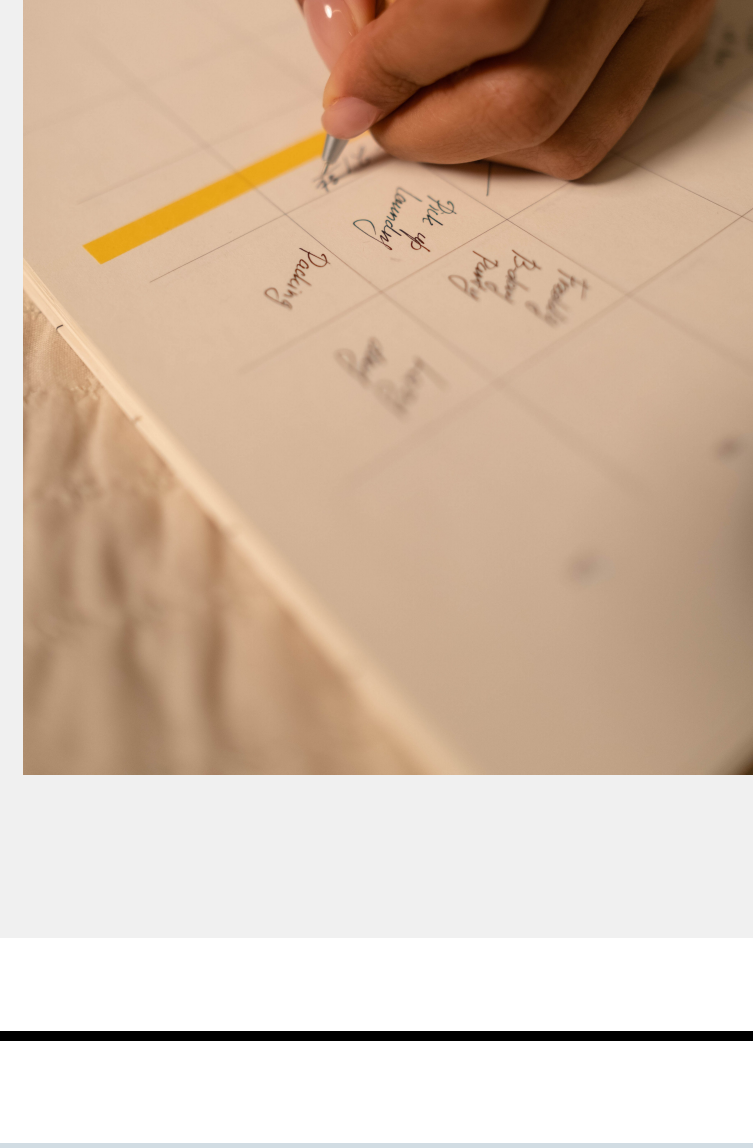
[Go to the survey](#)

During ECTMIH the BNITM Institute for Tropical Medicine in Hamburg, focusing on operational research for NTDs, with schistosomiasis being a key area asked for more respondents on a study: "Our studies primarily occur in endemic countries, but due to the disease's chronic nature, we're exploring awareness of its **chronic forms** in **Europe**. We seek input not just from experts but also from doctors, nurses, and midwives, including gynaecologists, general practitioners, urologists, or infectious disease doctors. Your responses will help identify **gaps and opportunities to contribute to the NTD roadmap** aiming to eliminate schistosomiasis by 2030. Please share this survey widely, including among colleagues outside the global health field.

Save the date

Mark your calendars for the coming events (more details follow soon):

- Symposium Maternity Care for refugees & asylum seekers in NL + promotion Anouk Verschuuren | **10 January 10:15-13:00**
◦ [More info & registration](#)
- Global Health Day 2024 | **18 April 2024**
◦ [More info follows soon](#)
- Global Health Inspiration Day (previously known as Tropencarrière) | **20 April 2024**
◦ [More info follows soon](#)



Happy holidays



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Wish you all a very festive holidays and all the best and good health for 2024. See you then!

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