

## Registration

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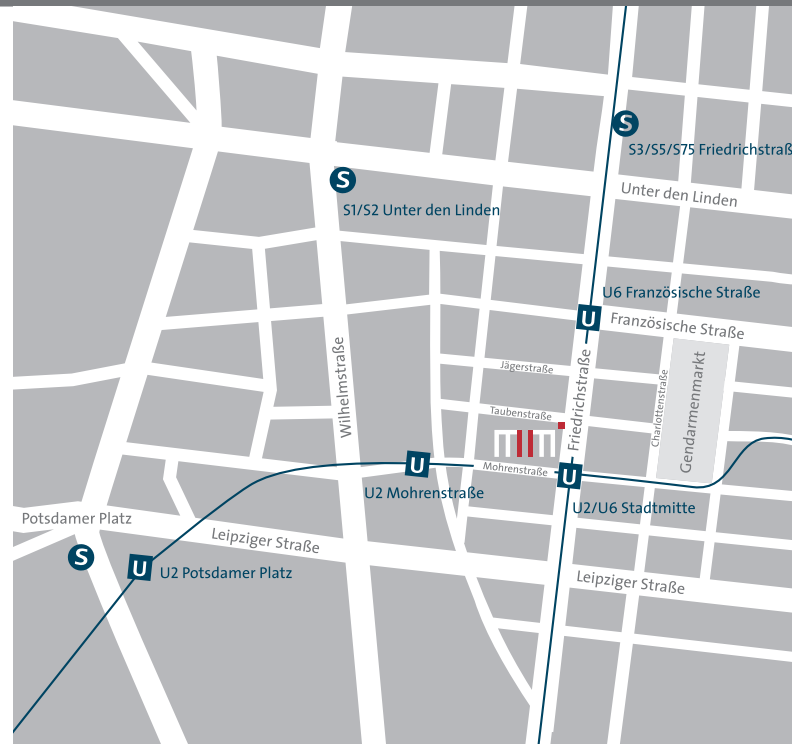
U-Bahn: U2, U6 Stadtmitte, U6 Französische Straße  
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# Reducing Health Inequalities

## Aim of the Conference

In highly developed countries, the widening differences in socioeconomic status which enhance inequalities in health outcomes are a growing problem. The result is a loss of educational and economic competences in large parts of the population which reduces the economic prosperity of the whole country. Therefore, tackling health inequalities and implementing health equity strategies are the main objectives of public health policy in welfare states around the globe.

The conference will focus on the comparative analysis of public health strategies in different states. The leading questions are: What do we know about the interaction of welfare regimes and health outcomes? Do regime types influence the results of health equity strategies? Do they have consequences for the overall burden of disease? Which strategy is appropriate in order to reduce health inequalities? How can the particularly heavy burden of disease faced by families, children, adolescents, the elderly, the migrant population, and other vulnerable parts of the population in low economic and educational status be reduced? What do we really know about successful strategies?



## What Do We Really Know About Successful Strategies?

8–9 May 2009

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## Programme

### Friday, 8 May

#### 09.30 h Opening

Michael Zürn, Dean of the Hertie School of Governance  
Bertram Häussler, Director of IGES Institute  
Frank Lehmann, Bundeszentrale für gesundheitliche Aufklärung

#### 10.00 h Plenary Session

**Welfare States and Their Public Health Strategies**  
Klaus Hurrelmann: Why should we tackle health inequalities?  
Espen Dahl: Health inequalities related to types of welfare states  
Richard Brown: Health inequalities and public health in the USA  
Seppo Koskinen: Health inequalities and public health in Finland

#### 13.00 h Lunch Break

#### 14.00 h Workshops

**Workshop I:**  
**Public Health Strategies for Families of Low Socioeconomic Status**  
Petra Kolip: Public health strategies for families  
Alexandra Sann: Early prevention: Health care and welfare services  
Maya Mülle: Public health strategies for women in Switzerland  
Muhamad Zakria Zakar: Public health strategies for families in Pakistan

#### Workshop II:

**Health Inequalities Among Children and Adolescents**  
Matthias Richter: Health inequalities among children and adolescents  
Alessio Zambon: Welfare regimes and health inequalities in adolescence  
Patrick West: Equalisation of health in youth  
Laura Kestilä: Life-course determinants of health, health behaviour, and health inequalities in adulthood  
Leena Koivusilta: Critical periods in the development of educational careers: implications for health inequality

#### Workshop III:

**Public Health Strategies for Vulnerable Groups of the Population**  
Ullrich Bauer: Public health strategies for vulnerable groups  
Michael Wright: Participatory health research  
Orna Baron-Epel: Inequalities in health in vulnerable populations  
Nico Dragano: Occupational health of elder workers in Europe  
Angie Hart: Resilient therapy: Parent-professional communities  
Andreas Mielck: Tackling health care disparities

#### 18.00 h Keynote Lecture

Ilona Kickbusch: The growing burden of disease: Reaching out for a global health diplomacy

#### 19.00 h Reception

### Saturday, 9 May

#### 09.30 h Plenary Session

**Welfare States and Health Equity Strategies**  
Clare Bamba: Welfare states and health equity policies  
Nicky Hart: Policy lessons from comparative research  
Bertram Häussler: Reducing inequalities in supply with health care services  
Dorothee Heinen: Policy initiatives of the EU

#### 11.00 h Keynote Lecture

Martin McKee: Reducing health inequalities –  
What do we really know about successful strategies?

#### 12.00 h Discussion

Starting with invited statements by the plenary speakers  
Clare Bamba, Richard Brown, Espen Dahl, Nicky Hart, Bertram Häussler, Ilona Kickbusch, Seppo Koskinen

#### 13.00 h End of the Conference

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