



Pre-announcement

Workshop: Linking HBM and health studies. What are possible opportunities and obstacles?

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Human biomonitoring (HBM) and health studies, such as health examination surveys, share many common features pertaining to data collection methodology. Both study types rely on survey-based procedures and present similarities in the sample selection and recruitment, the ethical and data protection requirements, the use of questionnaires, and the collection of biological samples as well as objective health measurements, to a certain extent.

Aim of the workshop: The aim of this workshop is to explore the different ways HBM and health studies could be combined in order to obtain synergies in the use of common infrastructures and personnel, and at the same time, to obtain more information from the study participants using the most cost-effective methods. Experiences from countries that have already conducted combined HBM and health studies will be presented during the workshop. A comparison of the existing HBM and health survey protocols will be made to investigate possible opportunities and obstacles.

Target group: The workshop is dedicated to everyone interested in

- including more health measures to their existing HBM study,
- including more HBM measurements to their health survey, or
- planning a new combined HBM and health survey.

Those applying for the HBM4EU Internal Call regarding Additional feasibility studies for combining HBM and health studies should also attend this workshop.

Agenda: A detailed agenda will be published in early March 2018

Registration: Mid-April 2018 – end of May 2018

Funding of travels and accommodation: Participants themselves have to cover their travel and accommodation costs.

Capacity: Maximum 100 participants, if an interest exceeds the limit, priority will be given to the HBM4EU partners.

