

Science, Policy and Epidemiology Workshop

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Chairperson: *Annibale Biggeri (University of Florence)*

La Pietra, International Conference and Events Center (Via Bolognese, 120 - Florence, Italy)

Workshop Programme

MONDAY, 21 NOVEMBER

- 9:30** **Introduction to the rationale of the course**
(Annibale Biggeri, University of Florence)
- 10:00** **Brief introduction of the participants**
- 10:30** **Details about the course**
(Silvio Funtowicz, SVT, Bergen University and Jeroen van der Sluijs, Utrecht University)
- 11:00** **Coffee break**
- 11:30** **Uncertainty in science for policy**
(Silvio Funtowicz, SVT, Bergen University)
- 12:30** **Management of uncertainty**
(Jeroen van der Sluijs, Utrecht University)
- 13:30** **Lunch**
- 14:30** **Case-studies by participants**
(Annibale Biggeri, University of Florence)
- Waste health effect: scientific evidence and policies**
(Francesco Forastiere, Environmental Epidemiologist)
Discussants: Maura Cavallaro (Province Councillor for Environment)
- 16:00** **Coffee break**
- 16:30** **From quality of study designs to quality of evidence: the GRADE approach to formulate recommendations to patients, clinicians and policy makers.**
(Marina Davoli, NHS Department of Epidemiology, Rome)
Discussants: Sara Albolino, Tommaso Bellandi, (Center for Clinical Risk Management and Patient Safety, Tuscany Region); Cinzia Colombo (Mario Negri Institute for Pharmacological Research)
- 17:30** **End of session**

TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER

- 9:30 **Management of uncertainty – part I**
(Jeroen van der Sluijs, Utrecht University and Silvio Funtowicz, SVT, Bergen University)
- 11:00 *Coffee break*
- 11:30 **Management of uncertainty – part II**
(Jeroen van der Sluijs, Utrecht University and Silvio Funtowicz, SVT, Bergen University)
- 13:30 *Lunch*
- 14:30 **Case-studies by participants**
(Annibale Biggeri, University of Florence)
- Childhood leukemia cluster in Milan and Rome**
(Luigi Bisanti, Head, Epidemiology Unit, City of Milan)
Paola Michelozzi (NHS Department of Epidemiology, Rome)
- 16:00 *Coffee break*
- 16:30 **The Radio vaticano trial and the smog trial**
(Annibale Biggeri, University of Florence)
Paola Michelozzi (NHS Department of Epidemiology, Rome)
Discussants: Giulio Monferini (Public prosecutor),
Daniele Grechi (former Director, Air Quality Division, Environmental Health Agency of Tuscany)
- 17:30 **End of session**
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WEDNESDAY 23 NOVEMBER

- 9:30 **Sensitivity, indicators and models – part I**
(Andrea Saltelli, EC JRC)
- 11:00 *Coffee break*
- 11:30 **Sensitivity, indicators and models – part II**
(Andrea Saltelli, EC JRC)
- 13:30 *Lunch*
- 14:30 **Case-studies by participants**
(Annibale Biggeri, University of Florence)
- Evaluating hospital performance - national project**
(Carlo Perucci, National Agency for Regional Health Services)
- 16:00 *Coffee break*
- 16:30 **Inequalities in health and public actions (national and EU projects)**
(Teresa Spadea and Nicolas Zengarini, Epidemiology Lab, Turin)
Discussant: Marco Biocca (Regional Healthcare & Social Agency of Emilia-Romagna)
- 17:30 **End of session**
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Please note that case studies are subject to changes

THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE WORKSHOP IS ENGLISH

**ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE KINDLY REQUESTED TO BRING THEIR OWN LAPTOPS
(WI-FI IS AVAILABLE IN THE WHOLE WORKSHOP AREA)**

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