

Urban Health

Concepts, consequences and challenges for health
in large cities

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Whether people are or remain healthy, is influenced by both their living circumstances and environment. A city's transportation system, spatial layout, housing conditions, and safety are all factors that interact to create complex vulnerabilities in urban environments that affect health and contribute to health inequities.

However, novel concepts in how to design and manage a city or a district are emerging that promote behaviors conducive to health and ultimately better health outcomes.

In this conference, experts from France and Germany will explain major health threats for residents of urban environments, but also share visions and concrete prototypes for a healthier life in large cities.



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Practical details Venue

Französische Botschaft
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The conference is moderated by Derrick Williams, Deutsche Welle Science & Healthcare Correspondent. Conference language will be English.

The conference is free of charge.

Registration is required.

Due to security reasons admission without previous registration is not possible. You need your passport or identity card to enter the embassy.

Agenda

9:15 – 10:00 **Registration and Coffee**

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome

Anne-Marie Descôtes
Ambassador of France in Berlin
Prof. Dr. Elke Schäffner
Centre Virchow-Villermé

Threats for health in cities

10:15 – 10:40 Air pollution

Dr. Regina Pickford
Helmholtz Zentrum München

10:40 – 11:00 Social Stress in Urban Environments

Jonas Schöndorf
Interdisziplinäres Forum Neurourbanistik
Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 12:00 Five questions about health inequities
in large cities in France and Germany

Pierre Chauvin, MD PhD
Pierre Louis Institute of Epidemiology and Public Health (iPLESP)
Prof. Dr. Raimund Geene
Alice-Salomon-Hochschule Berlin

12:00 – 13:00 **Panel discussion:**
Threats and implications

All speakers from morning sessions

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch Break**

Initiatives for improving health

14:00 – 14:30 Considering health in urban planning

Prof. Christine Nickl-Weller
Architecture for health, Technical University Berlin
Dr. Antonella Radicchi
Institute of City & Regional Planning, TU Berlin

14:30 – 15:30 **Panel discussion:**
Initiatives for health
in Germany and France

All speakers from afternoon session
Katrin Herrmann
Stiftung Naturschutz
Nina Lemaire
Member of the network "Bretagne Urbanisme et Santé"

The Centre Virchow-Villermé for Public Health Paris-Berlin was initiated by the Franco-German Council of Ministers and co-established on 15 April 2013 by the University of Sorbonne Paris Cité and the Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Elysée Treaty.

The mission of the French-German initiative is to jointly develop and promote innovative education and to offer a bi-national platform for linking research with policy in Global Public Health.

The objectives of the Centre are to foster faculty and students' mobility between France and Germany, to organize French-German dialogue in Global Public Health, to contribute to research activities in different areas of Global Public Health, to play a leading role in innovative education in Global Public Health and to promote open access to education and research.

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