

35th Meeting of the HPH General Assembly

28 November 2024, 8:00 – 11:15 CET

The meeting commenced at 8:00 CET.

1. Welcome (R. Harlid)

RH welcomed and formally opened the meeting.

Decision

- The proposed meeting agenda was agreed upon unanimously.
- The General Assembly approved the previous GA meeting report from May 2024.

2. Reflections on the 30th International Conference in Hiroshima, Japan

M. Funakoshi provided a report on the Japan Conference. The number of Participants was 800 in total (Japan: 300, Taiwan: 400, Other Asian countries: 40, Europe/America/Africa: 60). The number of Participating Countries/Regions: 34. The Finances are currently under accounting review and are projected to have a surplus. Six new facilities have joined the network from Japan (including pending board approval). The conference was successful in terms of participation and finances.

3. Developing the HPH Strategy 2026-2030 (R. Harlid)

R. Harlid talked about the SWOT analysis, which was conducted in July 2024 to develop the upcoming strategy of the HPH Network. The attachments were sent to the GA requesting feedback. Unfortunately, there was hardly any response from the GA either by email or during the meeting. We ask the GA to send your thoughts on the SWOT analysis or other vital topics for the coming strategy.

4. FL-HPH Introduction (Giuseppe Melcore (Chair) & Elisabeth Nöhammer (VC))

The Chair and the Vice Chair were introduced at the GA of our recently established future leaders' advisory board. The Board has been working alongside the GB to develop policy briefs and suggest topics for network strategy development.

5. Financial Audit

O. Groene presented the financial audit report on behalf of Sally Fawkes, who couldn't join due to some personal reasons.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the 2023 financial report through voting.

6. Naming of the Financial Auditor

Decision: With Sally Fawkes's term ending this year, Bozena Walewska, past GB Chair, was approved and appointed by the GA as the new treasurer for the next two years.

7. GB Elections

Decision: The GA approved Ralph Harlid to continue the next two-year term as a GB Chair for the next two years through voting.

8. Task Force Presentations

The following task forces presented the updates and work plan 2025 at the General Assembly Meeting:

a) **Taskforce Culture and Health; *Giuseppina Viola***

The TF presented two studies they held in Turin on the importance of culture and art for well-being, quality, and dignity of care in different areas. The project was analysed using a survey form and tools provided by the HPH network and the WHO. The TF also presented their five-year strategy to the GA.

b) **Taskforce Migration, Equity & Diversity; *James Glover***

A SAT – standards for equity in healthcare developed by the task force was introduced to the GA. The task force requires participation and members; the contacts are provided on the HPH website.

c) **Taskforce HPH Well-being of Healthcare Workers; *Cristina Aguzzoli, Gabriella Szörényiné Ványi, Jaekyung Lee***

The TF invites members to join the initiative. The plans include processing the questionnaire responses, creating the database, and publishing the good practice database.

d) **Taskforce HPH and Environment; *Ming-Nan Lin***

The TF presented its previous works, plans for next year, strategies, and collaborations with other organisations and NGOs to attain its aims and objectives. A webinar and work with WHO-CC and internal partners are planned for 2025.

e) **Taskforce HPH and Built Environment; Elke Miedema**

A workshop was organised during the 30th HPH conference. Currently, they are working on a webpage, a research paper on enablers and barriers of health-promoting built environments, an eLearning platform, webinars and partnerships to expand reach.

f) **Taskforce Age-friendly Healthcare; ShuTi Chiou**

The UN Decade of Healthy Aging Plan 2021.2030 include combating ageism, fostering community environments, supporting healthy ageing, delivering person-centred, integrated care and primary health services and providing access to long-term care for people who need it. The TF 2025 strategy includes advocacy and partnerships, capacity building and cultivating next-generation leadership.

Decision

The GA approved the renewal of the following task forces:

- Taskforce HPH and Environment; Ming-Nan Lin and the
- Taskforce HPH and Built Environment; Elke Miedema.

9. Network Presentations

1. Indonesian HPH Network

The Indonesian network has been very active lately, with more than 1000 hospitals participating in the network activities and initiatives. They provide advocacy, training, and development, as well as collaboration with universities to develop evidence-based practices and efforts to build a community of practitioners to connect and share ideas and best practices. The network holds national conferences and has signed a MoA with Health Care Without Harm Asia. Moreover, they have translated the HPH standards into their local language. They presented the HPH Awards 2022 to recognise hospitals that are implementing HPH standards well.

2. Taiwan HPH Network

Dr Ming Nan Lin held the presentation of the Taiwanese HPH Network. They have grown in membership, developed accreditation programs and implemented 'healthy hospital' initiatives among several other programmes over the last years.

10. International HPH Secretariat Update, (O. Groene, F. Haering)

O. Groene provided the following updates:

a) **Member Count:**

- › Total Current Members: 568
- › Single members: 65

- › Countries represented: 41
- › National/Regional HPH-Networks: 22

b) Social Media

HPH has been gaining popularity and following at a good pace. The HPH LinkedIn page has gained 183 new followers over the last year, with 344 unique visitors. The general HPH website is visited by well over thousand individuals every month.

c) Policy Briefs

The work on the policy brief series is ongoing, with two have already been published on the website and others in progress:

Topics:

- › Role of health promotion in attracting and retaining a healthy workforce (Published)
- › Role of hospitals in addressing climate change mitigation and adaptation (Published)
- › Cost-effectiveness of health promotion: what are the short-term and long-term benefits (in progress)
- › Clarifying the scope of HPH: disease prevention and health promotion, practical strategies (in progress)
- › HPH in low- and middle-income countries.

Two additional policy briefs are being pursued at present. One on “Ensuring the Right to Play and Participate in Artistic Activities for Hospitalized Children” (by Simonelli, Valero, de Faveri) and another one on “Addressing the role of mental health through health promotion” (by FL-HPH).

The policy brief series is growing into a very valuable source of knowledge for the network.

The general assembly is requested to benefit from these documents and disseminate the work within their respective networks.

d) eCommunity

The eCommunity has been pursued over the last year as a powerful collaborative workspace for the network. The platform HPH invested in (named: Confluence) was challenging to navigate, expensive and required registrations. The HPH Secretariat is therefore switching to another platform which will be more user-friendly than the previous one. The new platform will be launched and announced in the first quarter of the following year.

11. Conference Secretariat Update; B Metzler, *M. Funakoshi*

B. Metzler provided an update on the 30th International HPH Conference from 6-8 November 2024 in Hiroshima, Japan. Around 900 abstracts were submitted, and the

programme lasted 2.5 days, with five plenary sessions and 17 international speakers. With 800 participants, it was the 2nd largest conference of the HPH network after Taiwan in 2012.

The following year's conference will take place in spring 2026. Kindly submit any declaration of interest to the HPH conference secretariat.

Closing words, R Harlid

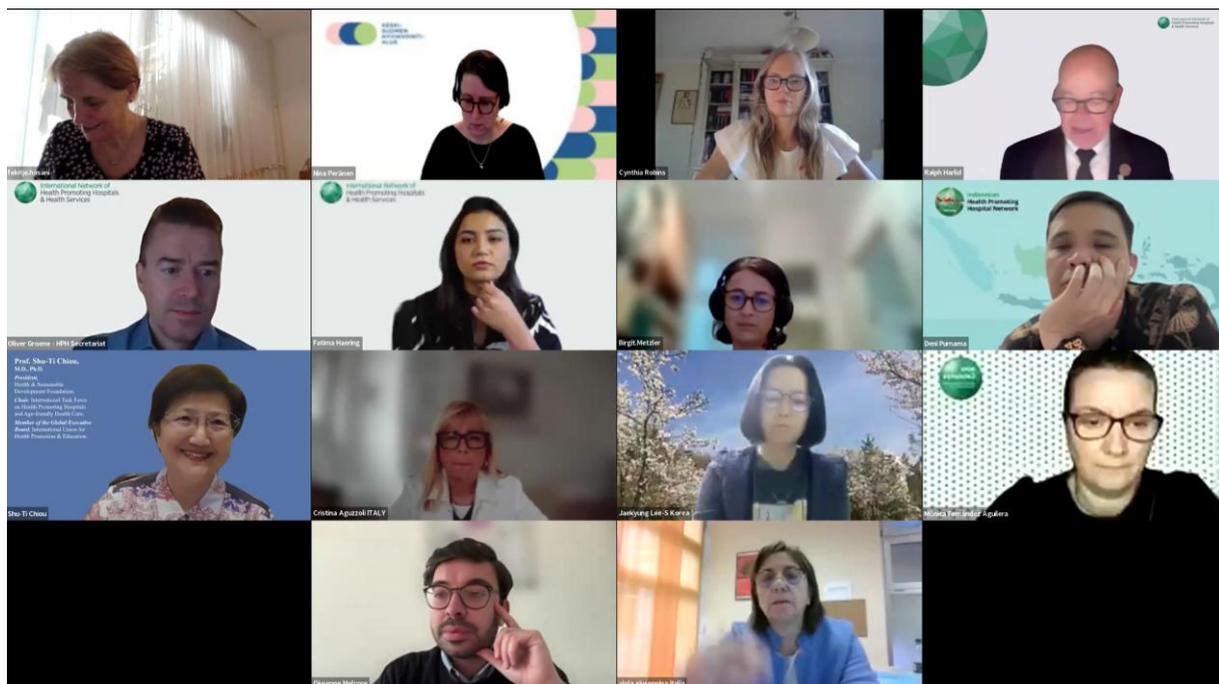
R. Harlid thanked the General Assembly (GA) for their participation and the Secretariat for their contributions and closed the meeting.

The meeting ended at 11:30 CET.

Action Items

	What?	Who?
1	Declaration of interest in joining the Task Forces	all
2	Declaration of interest for joining the HPH Governance Board in 2025	all
3	Declaration of interest in hosting International HPH Conference 2027 and beyond	all

Appendix

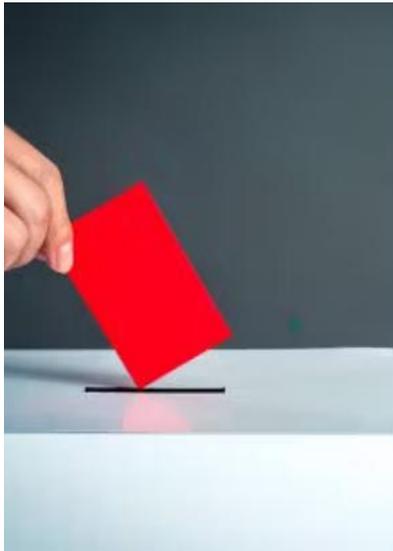
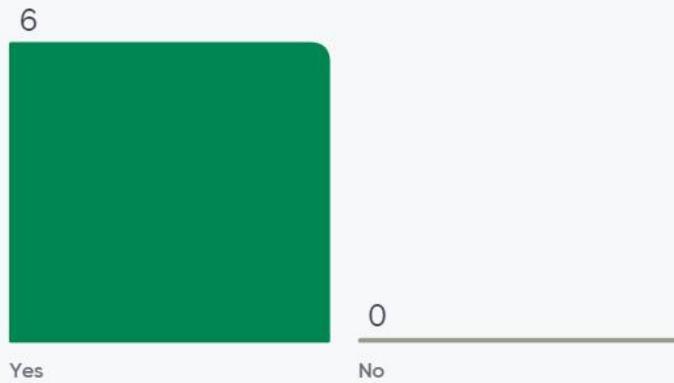




Voting Results:



Do you approve the Annual Treasure Report?



Do you approve the reappointment of 'Ralph Harlid' as the
Chair of the Governance Board?

