

PHEA: the Executive Agency for the Public Health Programme

The European Commission has created on 1 January 2005, for a period of six years (i.e. until 31 December 2010), an Executive Agency for implementing the Public Health Programme. This Agency is established in Luxembourg*.

The Executive Agency's ambition is to improve the effectiveness of the way in which the Community public health programme is implemented. It aims at mobilising high-level expertise in the field of public health in order to meet the objectives defined by the Commission and under its control. The Commission will be able to capitalise on the Executive Agency's technical work by developing, in parallel, its work on health policy developments.

Appropriate regulations have enshrined the principle of close cooperation between the Executive Agency and the Commission. This collaboration is bound to raise the profile of Community action in the field of public health. Both PHEA and SANCO are located in the Jean Monnet building and will stay close in their new premises.

During this year and in pace with the hiring of key staff for its relatively small team, PHEA will gradually assume its responsibilities in the management of the 2006 call for proposals incl. running the evaluation of submitted projects and negotiating contracts.

PHEA is committed to transparent and accountable procedures in this regard and will strive to offer high-quality of service to the EU public health Community.

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*Commission Decision No 2004/858/EC of 15 December 2004 setting up an executive agency, the “Executive Agency for the Public Health Programme”, for the management of Community action in the field of public health – pursuant to Council Regulation (EC) No 58/2003 – Official Journal No L 369 of 16/12/2004, pp. 0073–0075.