

Climate Change and Health

IN-PERSON SYMPOSIUM



JULY 7th 2026



AGENDA —

08:30 – 09:00 Registration and Welcome Coffee

09:00 – 09:30 Opening Remarks

Dr. Jean-Claude Schmit,
DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH DIRECTORATE, MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Dr. Claudia Hitaj,
MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE AND BIODIVERSITY

Prof. Dr. Jean-Pascal van Ypersele,
OPC MEMBER AND FORMER IPCC VICE-CHAIR

09:30 – 10:15 Keynote “Health and Climate Change: Key Intersections”

Prof. Dr. Andrew Haines,
PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE AND PUBLIC HEALTH, LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE
AND TROPICAL MEDICINE, UK

10:15 – 10:45 Coffee Break

AGENDA — **Climate Change and Health**

10:45 – 12:25 **Climate- and climate-action related Health Impacts: Evidence, Emerging Trends and Projections**

10:45-11:10 **A – Extreme events, risk management and mental health**

Observed trends and projections, impacts of recent floods, long-term consequences including on mental health, public health preparedness and risk reduction strategies.

Prof. Dr. Virginia Murray,

HEAD OF THE GLOBAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AT PUBLIC HEALTH ENGLAND, UK

11:10-11:35 **B – Heatwaves & mortality/morbidity**

Observed trends and projections in climate and health effects, at-risk groups (elderly, outdoor workers), heat-health warning systems.

Prof. Dr. Kévin Jean,

INSTITUT DE BIOLOGIE DE L'ECOLE NORMALE SUPÉRIEURE, FRANCE

11:35-12:00 **C – Air pollution, allergens and respiratory health**

Pollution episodes, traffic emissions, pollen trends, combined effects with heat.

Prof. Dr. Catherine Bouland,

UNIVERSITÉ LIBRE DE BRUXELLES, BELGIUM

12:00-12:25 **D – Longevity, Lifestyle and Climate Action: Synergies and Trade-offs**

Synergies and trade-offs between climate change adaptation, climate mitigation and healthy lifestyles, diets, and longevity. Climate-friendly lifestyle as powerful preventive intervention for extending healthy life years.

Dr. Dora Ürge,

SEMELWEIS UNIVERSITY AND HUNGARIAN LIFESTYLE MEDICINE ASSOCIATION, HUNGARY

12:25 – 13:00 **Panel discussion: Relevance for Luxembourg**

Guiding questions: *How do these impacts and opportunities manifest in Luxembourg? Which actors exist and how to mobilize/coordinate them in Luxembourg? How to strengthen national surveillance?*

Françoise Kemp,
PRESIDENT OF THE HEALTH
AND SOCIAL SECURITY
COMMISSION, MEMBER OF
PARLIAMENT

Dr. Gaël Claquin,
HEALTH INSPECTION
DIVISION, MINISTRY OF
HEALTH AND SOCIAL
SECURITY

Jessica Durbach,
SOCIAL MEDICINE DIVISION,
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
SOCIAL SECURITY

13:00 – 14:30 **Networking Lunch & “Solutions Village”**

Stands featuring: *Ongoing work and research from LISER, LIH, LIST, Universities, and NGOs.*

14:30 – 16:45 **Parallel workshops**
“Strengthening Luxembourg’s Health System and Health-Related Climate Actions: Resilience and Decarbonisation”

timeline:

Workshop A

Low-Carbon and Climate Resilient Health System

Dr. Thomas Gibon,
LUXEMBOURG INSTITUTE OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Sarah Mackel,
LUXEMBOURG CLIMATE YOUTH
DELEGATE

14:30 - 15:00
FRAMING TALK 20 MIN
+ 10 MIN Q&A

Workshop B

Public Health and Adaptation, Climate Impacts, and Social Inequalities

Dr. Maria Ruiz Castell,
LUXEMBOURG INSTITUTE OF
HEALTH

Dr. Jérôme Weiss,
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
SOCIAL SECURITY

workshop's

15:00 - 16:30
CO-CREATION WORKSHOP
90 MINS, WITH A COFFEE
BREAK

Workshop C

Community Health, Risk Communication and Education

Dr. Edina Csanyi,
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK

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Workshop D

Longevity and Healthy Lifestyles for a Climate-Friendly and Climate Resilient Luxembourg

Dr. Camille Perchoux,
LUXEMBOURG INSTITUTE OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC RESEARCH



AGENDA — **Climate Change and Health**

16:30 – 17:30 Report Back and Closing Panel Setting Luxembourg's Climate-Health Priorities for 2030

16:30 – 17:00 Report back from workshops

17:00 – 17:30 Panel discussion

Ana-Luisa Teixeira,
HËLLEF UM TERRAIN
- HUT

Jeannot Behm,
CONSEILLER ÉCOLOGIQUE ET
ÉNERGÉTIQUE, VILLE D'ESCH

Cathy Conzemius,
GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
AND CLIMATE CHANGE
PROGRAMME ANALYST, UN
POPULATION FUND (UNFPA)

Panel reflections on:

- 1. What immediate actions can Luxembourg implement?*
- 2. How to coordinate national and local level responses?*
- 3. Which commitments each actor can take for the next 12 months?*

17:30 – 17:35 Closing remarks

Prof. Dr. Diana Ürge-Vorsatz,
OPC MEMBER AND IPCC VICE-CHAIR

