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Dear members and guests,

Herewith I am sending you the Newsletter/Circular 168 with new, actual information about the WP "Public Health Group".

Sincerely yours,

Luub Wessels,

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Organisation WP PHG.

New members.

The following new official member is nominated by his national federation of architects:

- Dott. Arch. Matteo Capuani by the Consiglio Nazionale degli Architetti Purnificatori Paesaggisti e Conservatori (CNAPPC), following the suggestion of UIA Italiën Section.

The following new members are proposed by Don Axon:

- Philip Sun, AIA,ACHA, NCARB from the USA.
- Christoff Gatermann from Germany.

The Official Members of the USA and Germany agreed with these nominations, as well as the Executive Members.

In the annual meeting in South Africa these nominations will be on the agenda.

Website.

The website is now situated in Utrecht, The Netherlands. It took some time to get it working. In the next month we are going to update the site with actual information and with the presentations of the seminar in Istanbul There is going to be a pass-word for opening the members pages were you can find the names of members and guests with their e-mail addresses and countries. As we decided in one of the annual meetings, the postal addresses are only available through the Director.

In case you have forgotten, the name of the site is: www.public-health-group.org.

628.**Relation WHO and UIA**

As a result of the Counsel meeting of the WHO in Geneva in January 2006 we have made some suggestions to Andrei Issakov, the coordinator Health Technology and Facilities Planning, about the updating of the WHO guidelines for healthcare facilities and about a meeting between WHO and UIA to establish a broader relation between the two organizations. The President of the UIA, Gaétan Siew, as well as the Secretary General of the UIA, Jordy Farrando, have indicated that they would like to have such a meeting.

The next, 118th Executive Board Session of the WHO in Geneva at the 29th of May will be attended by Hans Eggen, official Member of the UIA/PHG for Switzerland, because Luub Wessels has other duties at that time.

As soon as there is concrete information about these matters we will let you know.

629.**26th International UIA PHG Seminar in Pretoria South Africa in August 2006.**

Separate from this newsletter we distributed the Circular 167 with information about the

26th International UIA-PHG Seminar in Pretoria/South Africa in August 2006.

**“Designing for Sustainable and Safe Healthcare Facilities in Africa:
Global Sharing, Local Relevance and Impact”**

In the attachments by this Circular 167 you will find:

1. the official Seminar Registration,
2. the Program and Booking schedule,
3. the Letter from Geoff Abbott about the seminar.

Now the official registration for the seminar, the tours and the hotels can be made.

Look also closely at the letter of Geoff Abbott, who still needs some information from people who would like to present a paper.

We have about 37 members and non-members, who want to present a paper. Till now we have received only 20 abstracts. This is a problem for the organization to make the program complete, so please send your abstracts as soon as possible. Because of the number of speakers we will organize parallel sessions to have enough time to present them all.

630. Coming events

1. *BEX, Building Exchange 2006 in Madrid/Spain June 7th – June 9th 2006*
"WHERE PROPERTY MEETS THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT"

The second annual Building Exchange (B-E-X 2006), organised by Building on Business Ltd, will be held in Madrid (Spain), from 7 to 9 June 2006 on the theme: "Where Property Meets The Built Environment".

The programme proposes over 20 lectures as well as workshops, seminars and theme-lunches involving more than 50 internationally recognised speakers. The UIA supports this event and has nominated speakers who are experts in the various key themes.

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2. *Design and Health 5th World Congress and Exhibition Glasgow, Scotland June 27th – July 1st 2007.*

This congress is organised by the Academy for Design and Health (Alan Dilani and Romano Del Nord). Some members of the PHG are already participating in the organisation of this congress. There has been a first announcement and a call for papers. In July 2006 a preliminary program and registration will be distributed.

3. *35th IHF Biennial Congress , 5-9 November 2007, Seoul, South Korea.*

Mr. T Krol, former president of the IHF, has sent a letter to Dr. Tai Chu, President of the Korean Hospital Association, to recommend the participation of the UIA-PHG in this Congress. The suggestion is that the PHG will fill in half a day, within their program, as we have done before in San Francisco (2003) and in Hong Kong (2001). As soon as we have an answer from dr. Tai Chu Yoo, we will give you more information.

4. *Gupha meeting 2006.*

It is now confirmed, that the meeting of the Global University Program of Hospital Architecture will take place during the UIA-PHG meeting in August in South Africa.

5 *Gupha meeting 2007.*

It is also finalized to have the Gupha Forum at the University of Tokio on Monday 12th and/or Tuesday 13th of November 2007, after the International IHF Hospital Congress in South Korea from Sunday 5th to Thursday 9th of November 2007 and before the International Symposium and Exhibition HOSPEX 2007 Japan in Tokyo from Wednesday 14th to 16th of November, which is organized by the HEAJ (Healthcare Engineering Association of Japan). UIA/PHG members will have an advantage to cover the visits in Korea and Japan together.

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UIA Calendar May 2006

The UIA calendar of May 2006 has been mailed to you separately.

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Colour code.

We would like to repeat our request for information about the colour code as we did in the last newsletter.

As you perhaps know, some countries use a standard colour code for the indication of the different functions of hospital facilities. Germany has a DIN 13080, a standard guideline for the colour of the functions; South Africa uses standard colours for the quality of the functions and perhaps also for the indication of them. Norway is interested to standardise the colours of these functions as well as The Netherlands. It should however been considered to come to a more international standardisation of the colour indication of hospital functions.

The profits of such a system are, that it is easier to read and to compare the design drawings of hospital facilities, for instance for publications, design competitions and poster sessions.

Will you please react on this. Has your country already a colour system? Is your country interested in an international colour system?

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Miscellaneous.

The following workshops and /or congresses took place. Members of the UIA PHG who participated in those events are asked to give a short report about it, so it can be published in the next newsletter.

* *19th EU-HPN Workshop, 19-21 April 2006 in Budapest, Hungary*

* *International IFHE conference in Cape Town, South Africa from May 7th till May 11th 2006." Healthcare Engineering in Developing Countries".*

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