

**"2009 WORLD CONGRESS ON PUBLIC HEALTH " ACTIVITIES
(Turkish Public Health Association, 01 January - 31 December 2008)**



1- Meetings with Governmental Organizations and Institutions

- **Meetings with Turkish Radio Television Broadcasting Organization (TRT) Authorities (19-17-02 December 2008)**

As TRT is the official media sponsor of the 2009 World Health Congress, Mr. Mehmet Yılmaz Küçük, Advisor to the Director General of Turkish Radio Television Broadcasting Organization (TRT) was visited in his office on **02 December 2008** by TPHA Secretary General Bekir Metin, TPHA member of Board Barış Kahraman and TPHA Advisor Cem Yavuz. Mr. Osman Gökmen, TRT TV Deputy Head of Dept.; Mr. Ömer Erdem, TRT Istanbul News Director; Mr. Erol Yüksel, TRT INT News Director were also attended to the meeting.

Another meeting was held with Ahmet Çavuşoğlu, Head of News Department of TRT, Ersin Küçükbayrak, Deputy Head of News Department of TRT and Şenol Göka, Head of Radio Department on **17 December 2008**.

Moreover, a group consists of TPHA authorities and World Congress organizing committee has visited the Directorate of Istanbul Television of TRT on **19 December 2008**. Cooperation issues between the TRT and the Congress Organization were discussed

- **Report on stage of the contributions of Denizli district to the 2009 World Health Congress on Public Health was requested from Mr. Yavuz Erkmen, Governor of Denizli (04 December 2008)**

Based on a telephone conversation made with Mr. M. Kemal Özgün, Deputy Governor of Denizli Mr. Yavuz Erkmen on **04 December 2008**, a report on the stage of the contributions of Denizli district to the 2009 World Health Congress was requested from Mr. Yavuz Erkmen Governor of Denizli.

- **Meeting with Prof. Dr. İsmail Balık, Head of Immunity Department of Ankara University Medicine Faculty and also President of the Association for Struggle against Viral Hepatitis (02 December 2008)**

Meeting held with Prof. Dr. İsmail Balık, Head of Immunity Department of Ankara University Medical Faculty and also President of the Association for Struggle against Viral Hepatitis on **02 December 2008**. TPHA Secretary General Bekir Metin, TPHA member of Board Barış Kahraman and TPHA Advisor Cem Yavuz were present at the meeting.

During the meeting info was given on 2009 World Health Congress and cooperation was requested. Prof. Balık promised support for the Congress and may open a stand during the Congress. He said, vaccine producing companies are a better choice for sponsorship than drug companies for the Congress.

- **Meeting with Mrs.Melike Sevimli, TUBITAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) EU 7th Framework National Health Liaison Officer and Mrs.Zeynep Arziman Büyükboduk, TUBITAK Scientific Programme Deputy (01 December 2008)**

Meeting held with Mrs. Melike Sevimli, TUBITAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) EU 7th Framework National Health Liaison Officer and Mrs. Zeynep Arziman Büyükboduk, TUBITAK Scientific Programme Deputy Expert.

Mrs. Melike Sevimli and Mrs. Zeynep Arziman visited ZED Event Management and Consultancy Firm on **01 December 2008** and exchanged views on health issues included in the EU 7th Framework Programme as well as on the high level attendance of EU officials in 2009 World Health Congress.

- **Visit to İbrahim ŞAHİN, Director General of Turkish Radio and Television.** (23 October 2008)

İbrahim ŞAHİN, Director General of Turkish Radio and TV was visited by Turkish Public Health Association (TPHA) on **23 October 2008** authorities in order to request support to 2009 World Public Health Congress. Mr. ŞAHİN has declared that TRT is going to be official media sponsor to the Congress during this visit. Prof. Dr. Zafer ÖZTEK, Former President of TPHA, Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President of TPHA, Prof. Dr. T. Haluk ÇELİK and Barış KAHRIMAN members of Executive Board, TPHA were attended to this meeting.

- **Governor and Major of Denizli and Rector of Pamukkale University were visited** (17 October 2008)

The decision was taken to cooperate with TPHA in order to support 2009 World Congress during 11. National Public Health congress, held last year and the activities regarding this issue were carried out under presidency of former governor Dr. Hasan CANPOLAT. In order to inform the incoming governor, Mr. Yavuz ERKMEN on this issue and re- accelerate the cooperation; an expansive file sent to new governor and major of Denizli and rector of Pamukkale University on 18 September 2008. Furthermore, new governor, major and rector have been visited on **17 October 2008** in order to give detailed information on the World Congress by, Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President of TPHA, Barış KAHRIMAN, member of Executive Board and Prof. Dr. Ali Ihsan BOZKURT.

- **Visit to Mrs. Esra ŞAKAR , Chief of the Cabinet of the Secretary General of Presidency** (05 September 2008)

Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President of the Turkish Public Health Association and General Coordinator of World Public Health Congress visited Mrs. Esra ŞAKAR, Chief of the Secretary General of Presidency, in order to discuss the issues to be done and the context of the support of the Presidency after the World Congress is under the auspices of H.E. Abdullah GÜL, President on **05 September 2008**.

- **Visit to H.E. Mr. Abdullah GÜL, President of the Republic of Turkey and Prof. Mustafa İSEN, Secretary General of Presidency** (28 July 2008)

President GUL and Mr. ISEN were visited by the delegation composed by Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA, Prof. Dr. Zafer ÖZTEK, Former President of TPHA, Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President of TPHA, Prof. Dr. T. Haluk ÇELİK and Mr. Baris KAHRIMAN_members of Executive Board, on **28 July 2008**. Delegation gave detailed information on 2009 World Public Health Congress and patronage of the President was requested. Minutes regarding to this visit were translated to English and put to the official congress web-page (www.worldpublichealth2009.org).

- **Visit to Ambassador Hüseyin Avni KARSLIOGLU, Chief of Cabinet of Presidency** (19 June 2008)

Mr. Bekir METİN, General Coordinator of World Congress visited Ambassador Hüseyin Avni KARSLIOGLU, Chief of Cabinet of Presidency on **19 June 2008**, in order to give information and documents on 2009 World Public Health Congress.

- **Visit to Dr. Orhan GÜMRÜKCÜOĞLU, Under Secretary of Ministry of Health and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Turan BUZGAN, Deputy Under Secretary of Ministry of Health (02 May 2008)**

Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA and Mr. Bekir Metin, Vice President of TPHA visited Dr. Orhan GÜMRÜKCÜOĞLU, Under Secretary of Ministry of Health and Dr. Turan BUZGAN, Deputy Under Secretary of Ministry of Health on **2 May 2008**.

Preparation works of 2009 World Congress and issues on participation of TPHA authorities to the 42.General Assemble of WFPHA to be held on 16-19 May 2008 in Geneva and 61.World Health Assemble to be held on 19-24 May 2008 in Geneva were discussed.

- **The Meeting with İsmet YILMAZ, Under Secretary of Ministry of Culture and Tourism (25 April 2008)**

İsmet YILDIZ, Undersecretary of Ministry of Culture and Tourism was visited by Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA and Mr. Bekir METİN, Secretary General of TPHA, on **25 April 2008** and detailed information about 2009 World Public Health Congress was given.

Support on organizing a reception, through Permanent Representative of Turkey in Geneva, during 42th WFPHA Annual Meeting and 61. WHA to be held in Geneva, on 15- 22 May 2008, was requested from Mr İsmet YILDIZ. They will give their consent after the necessary consultations.

- **The Meeting with Prof. Dr. Ahmet Fahri ÖZOK, Dean of Istanbul Technical University, School of Business Administration and President of Turkish Ergonomics Association (18 April 2008)**

Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA and Mr. Bekir METİN, Secretary General of TPHA visited Prof. Dr. Ahmet Fahri ÖZOK, Dean of Istanbul Technical University, School of Business Administration and President of Turkish Ergonomics Association on **18 April 2008**. His views and contributions were asked during the visit, especially adding "Public Health and Ergonomics" to 2009 World Health Congress Programme was discussed and he was asked to invite the President of World Ergonomics Council as a speaker to World Health Congress. Cooperation with Istanbul Technical University and Turkish Ergonomics Association was also taken up.

- **The Meeting with Necla ZARAKOL, Chairman of Zarakol Communication Services Corporation (18 April 2008)**

Necla ZARAKOL, Chairman of Zarakol Communication Services Corporation was visited by Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA; Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President and Secretary General of TPHA and Serdar DİNLER, President of Turkish Corporate Social Responsibility Association, on **18 April 2008**, at Corporation Centre. Detailed information on 2009 World Public Health Congress was given to Mrs. ZARAKOL and cooperation requested on the following two topics:

1. To find sponsors for the 2009 World Public Health Congress,
2. Communication consultancy services on various fields with press and visual media in order to make the World Congress publicity a success.

Mrs. ZARAKOL said that the decision on cooperation will be given after they evaluated all the documentation and information, given by representatives of TPHA on this issue.

- **The Meeting with Özgür ÖZARSLAN , Director-General of Information, Ministry of Culture and Tourism and Cemal TEKKANAT, Deputy Director-General (8 April 2008)**

Özgür ÖZARSLAN, Director General of Information of Ministry of Culture and Tourism, and Cemal TEKKANAT, Deputy Director General were visited by Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President and Secretary General of TPHA, on **8 April 2008**, in order to get their support in organizing a reception during 42th WFPHA Annual Meeting and 61. WHA to be held in Geneva, on 15- 22 May 2008, they will give their consent after the necessary consultations.

- **7 April, World Health Day Activities in Turkey (07 April 2008)**

On the **7th of April 2008**, World Health Day is celebrated in Turkey with various activities. Two different panels have been held in Ankara on this occasion. One of them was held by TPHA and the other one was held by Health Administrators Association. (Detailed information on this subject can be found at TPHA web-page www.t-hasak.org). Moreover, promotion of 2009 World Public Health Congress was made during the both events in order to create awareness. Documentation of the activities has been sent to WHO Geneva Centre and European Regional Office.

- **Visit to Mr. İsmet KAYTAŞ, Head Advisor of the President of Red Crescent Association and Mr. Abdülkadir KIRTEPE, Director of Health Services of Red Crescent. (3 April 2008)**

Mr. Kaytaş and Mr. Kirtepe were visited by Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President and Secretary General of TPHA in their offices and cooperation issues were taken up in the framework of the 2009 World Health Congress preparations on **3 April 2008**. Red Crescent officials took note of the expectations of TPHA and promised to consider the cooperation issues and inform the outcome after their consultations.

- **Visit to Dr. Seraceddin ÇOM, Director General of Primary Health Care of the Health Ministry. (2 April 2008)**

Dr. ÇOM was visited by Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA and Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President and Secretary General of TPHA on **2 April 2008** and he was informed about the developments and preparations of 2009 World Health Congress. They also informed about their planned visit to Prof Dr. Recep AKDAG, Minister of Health. Dr. ÇOM asked the TPHA officials to submit a written letter covering the cooperation issues as well as their requests from the Ministry.

- **The Meeting with Prof. Cevdet ERDÖL M.D, President of Health, Family, Labour and Social Works Commission of Turkish Grand National Assembly (27 March 2008)**

Prof. Cevdet ERDÖL M.D, President of Health, Family, Labour and Social Affairs Commission of Turkish Grand National Assembly was visited by Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA; Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President and Secretary General of TPHA and Muharrem VARLIK, Member of Board of Management of TPHA, on **27 March 2008**.

In this meeting, cooperation and support on preparations of 2009 World Congress on Public Health was requested from Prof. Dr. Cevdet ERDÖL as well as delivering a speech during the Congress.

2- Meetings with International Organizations and UN Agencies in Turkey

- **Meeting with Mr. Kemal DERVIŞ, President of UNDP (20 June 2008)**

Mr. Bekir METİN, General Coordinator of World Public Health Congress had a meeting with Mr. Kemal DERVIS, President of UNDP during his visit to Ankara/Turkey, on 20 June 2008. He was invited again to deliver a speech and to participate to Opening Ceremony of the 12th World Public Health Congress.

- **The Translation of WHO and WFPHA Documents regularly continues.**

Documents issued by WHO and WFPHA and make contribution to increase participation and the themes of the Congress such as report, article and research result articles are regularly translated to Turkish and put to the TPHA' s webpage(www.t-hasak.org)

3- Meetings with NGOs and Professional Associations

- **Visit to Vural KURAL, General Director of Sectoral Assemblies and Economic Research Department of The Union Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey (TOBB - 04 November 2008)**

Bekir Metin, Vice President of TPHA and Barış KAHRAMAN, member of Executive Board visited Mr. Vural KURAL on **04 November 2008** in order to request their support to 2009 World Health Congress to be held on 27 April- 01 May 2009 in Istanbul.

- **Meeting with Executive Board Members of Public Health Research and Development Center (24 October 2008)**

2009 World Congress on Public Health Organizing Committee met with Executive Board Members of Public Health Research and Development Center on **24 September 2008** in Ankara. Detailed information on 2009 World Public Health Congress preparation was given.

- **Meeting with Hayrettin GÜNGÖR, Secretary General of Municipalities Union (10 October 2008)**

Hayrettin GÜNGÖR, Secretary General of Municipalities Union was visited on **10 October 2008** in order to inform him on latest development of 2009 World Congress on Public Health preparation and our expectation from the Union.

Mrs. Berrin AYDIN, Head of the Foreign Relation of Municipalities Union, Burcu KULAŞ, Editor of Municipalities Union Journal, Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA, Mr. Bekir Metin, Vice President of TPHA, Sermin KOK, Deputy General Coordinator of 2009 World Congress and Barış KAHRAMAN, member of Executive Board, TPHA attended to this meeting.

- **Visit to Mr. Tekin KÜÇÜKALİ, President of Red Crescent Association and Mr. İsmet KAYTAZ, Head Advisor of the President of Red Crescent. (25 September 2008-Ankara)**

Mr. KÜÇÜKALİ and Mr. KAYTAZ were visited by Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA, Mr. Bekir Metin, Vice President of TPHA and Barış KAHRAMAN, member of Executive Board, on **25 September 2008**, in their offices. Latest information regarding the 2009 World Health Congress preparations was given and cooperation and support were requested from them on 2009 World Congress on Public Health preparations.

- **Turkish Public Health Association(TPHA) and The Turkish Society of Public Health Specialists (HASUDER) Meeting (18 June 2008)**

The Executive Boards of TPHA and HASUDER met on **18 June 2008** in order to hold 12th World Public Health Congress and 13th National Public Health Congress together in Istanbul.

- **Visit to Mr. Abdülkadir KIRTEPE, Health Services Director of Red Crescent Association and Mr. Mustafa AYDIN (06 May 2008)**

Mr. KIRTEPE and Mr. AYDIN were visited by Mr. Bekir Metin, Vice President of TPHA and Barış KAHRAMAN, member of Executive Board, on **06 May 2008**. Latest information regarding the 2009 World Health Congress preparations was given and the issues of cooperation for 2009 World Health Congress were discussed.

4- Attendance to The International Meetings

- **The Annual Meeting of the European Public Health Association and 16th European Public Health Conference (5-8 November 2008, Lisbon-Portugal)**

The Annual Meeting of European Public Health Association (www.eupha.org) and 16th European Public Health Conference held in Lisbon between **5-8 November 2008**. EUPHA has been holding its annual meetings and European Public Health Conferences regularly every year in one of the member country since 1992.

Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, the President of TPHA, Prof. Zafer OZTEK, Former President of TPHA, Prof Dr. T. Haluk CELIK and Baris KAHRIMAN Members of the Executive Board of TPHA and Mr. Bekir METIN, Secretary General of TPHA participated in the Annual Meeting of European Public Health Association on **8 November 2008** and 16th European Public Health Conference on **5-8 November 2008**.

Furthermore, since TPHA is keenly interested to host 2012 European Public Health Conference in Turkey made its official application in Lisbon. The host of 2012 European Public Health Conference will be decided at the 17th EUPHA General Meeting to be held Lodz-Poland between 26 to 28 November 2009.

Turkish Public Health Association's delegation opened a stand in order to introduce the 2009 World Public Health Congress.

- **42.General Assemble of WFPHA and 61.World Health Assemble (16- 24 May 2008, Geneva)**

A delegation headed by Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA attended to 42.General Assemble of WFPHA held on **16-19 May 2008** in Geneva and 61.World Health Assemble held on **19-24 May 2008** in Geneva. Prof. Dr. Zafer ÖZTEK, Former President of TPHA, Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President of TPHA, Muharrem VARLIK and Öznur ŞAHİN, member of Executive Board was in the delegation.

The delegation submitted a special file that includes all information on 12th World Public Health Congress to be held on 27 April – 01 May 2009, in Istanbul, to the Head of Delegations of 193 member states of WHO and International Agencies in order to promote the Congress. Detailed report has been prepared and sent to persons concerned after the meetings.

- **International Veterinary Public Health and Food Safety Congress (12-13 April 2008, Antalya)**

International Veterinary Public Health and Food Safety Congress was held in Antalya-Topkapi Palace Hotel between **12 and 13 April 2008**. Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA and Mr. Bekir METİN, Vice President and Secretary General of TPHA, Prof. Vet. Haluk T. ÇELİK, Board Member and Mr. Koray TUNCER, member of TPHA were participated in the Congress.

Main themes of the Congress were the importance of public health and food safety, international policies in this regard, regulations and practices of the EU, USA and Turkey on these issues, diseases originating from livestock products, zoonosis, animal wealth, animal food security and food safety through the eyes of consumers.

Prof. Dr. H PEKCAN has presided a session where he was able to express the views of TPHA during the Congress and gave a conference on "Public Health". And also TPHA delegation opened a stand in order to introduce the 2009 World Public Health Congress.

- **First Global Forum on Human Resources (Uganda, 2-7 March 2008)**

First Global Forum on Human Resources for Health organized by WHO - the Global Health Workforce Alliance (GHWA) was held in **Kampala-Uganda** on **2-7 March 2008**.

Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN M.D., the President of TPHA and Board member of WFPHA and President of the 2009 World Public Health Congress; Prof. Dr. Zafer ÖZTEK, Former President of TPHA, member of the Award Committee of WFPHA; Sarp ÜNER M.D. Lecturer of Hacettepe University Medical Faculty, Public Health Department and Mr. Bekir METIN, Vice President and Secretary General of TPHA participated in the mentioned Conference as representatives of TPHA.

The Turkish Public Associations delegation met with representatives and experts from the United Nations and international agencies, countries, health worker associations, civil society and academicians who were also present in this event. TPHA delegation opened a stand in order to introduce the 2009 World Public Health Congress.

After the Forum, a report was prepared by TPHA delegation. The report covers information about the 2009 World Congress introduction activities and meetings held there and the report subsequently publicized on **18 March 2008**. [First Global Forum on Human Resources for Health](#)

P.S.: TPHA planning to attend all of the international and national related congresses, to be held in 2008, in order to make publicity of 2009 World Congress.

5- Sponsorship Activities for 2009 World Public Health Congress

A solution partner file (Turkish-English), introduction film, the list of partner institutions and associations and 2nd draft program of World Congress on Public Health were sent to private sector institutions, members of Association of Research Based Pharmaceutical Companies, Food and Nutrition Companies, auto industry companies, members of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association of Turkey, General Directors of Insurance Companies and GSM companies, in the framework of the 2009 World Public Health Congress Sponsorship activities.

In order to promote and provide support to 2009 World Public Health Congress an official letter has been prepared and sent to metropolitan municipalities and some municipalities on **20 September 2008**. Moreover, correspondence is going on with governmental bodies and private sector institutions which have a potential to be sponsor.

6- Other Works Regarding 2009 World Public Health Congress

- **Teleconference of International Planning Committee (10 December 2008)**

Members of the 2009 World Congress on Public Health International Planning Committee held a teleconference on **10 December 2008** at 15.00 hrs (Turkish time). Prof. Dr. Paulo BUSS (Brazil) President of WFPHA, Prof Dr. Ulrich Laaser (Germany), Head of Scientific Committee, Dr. Alvora Matida (Brazil) member of Scientific Committee, Dr. Barbara Hatcher (USA) Secretary General of WFPHA, Bekir Metin Secretary General of TPHA attended the teleconference. During the teleconference, the sponsorship and planning issues on draft budget of 2009 World Congress on Public Health prepared by Bekir Metin and Barbara Hatcher were discussed.

- **Turkish Abstract reviewer list Prepared** (10 December 2008)

The list of the academicians who will review the presentations for 2009 World Congress on Public Health is prepared and sent to Vina Hulamm in charge of these issues in WFPHA on **10 December 2008**.

- **Teleconference of Scientific Committee** (05 December 2008)

Members of the 2009 World Congress on Public Health Scientific Committee held a teleconference on **05 December 2008**. During the teleconference, scientific issues of the coming World Congress were discussed. Prof Dr. Ulrich Laaser, Head of Scientific Committee and members: Prof. Dr. Samir Banoob, Dr. Alvora Matida, from WFPHA Secretariat; Vina Hulamm, Morgan Taylor and from TPHA Bekir Metin attended the teleconference.

- **Activity Report for World Congress on Public Health covering July and November 2008** (04 December 2008)

A report covering the preparatory works of the World Congress on Public Health between July and November 2008 is submitted to the Republic of Turkey President' s Office and General Secretariat on **04 December 2008**.

- **A Resource Allocation Request Letter was sent to Prof. Dr. Cevdet ERDÖL, Chair of the Health, Family, Labor and Social Affairs Commission of Turkish Grand National Assembly.** (13 November 2008)

President of TPHA sent a resource allocation request letter to Prof. Dr. Cevdet ERDÖL in order put the resource will be given to the World Congress in to Ministry of Health Budget to be discussed on **13 November 2008**.

- **Budget Works of 2009 World Public Health Congress** (16 September 2008)

A detailed draft budget of 2009 World Public Health Congress has been prepared and sent to World Federation of Public Health Association Secretariat, International Planning Committee and persons concerned, on **16 September 2008**.

- **Turkish Members of Scientific Committee and the persons concerned informed** (02 September 2008)

Information on monthly teleconferences and latest development of World Congress preparations works sent to Turkish Members of Scientific Committee on **02 September 2008**. Moreover the persons concerned were also informed on latest development of World Congress preparation activities.

- **The visit of Core Group of International Scientific Committee to Istanbul** (15 – 19 August 2008)

A core group of International Scientific Committee visited Istanbul on **15-19 August 2008**, in the frame work of 2009 World Congress on Public Health. Prof. Dr. Ulrich LASEER, Chairman of the Scientific Committee and Vice President of WFPHA (Germany); Prof. Samir N. BANOOB, Member of Scientific Committee (ABD) and Dr. Alvaro MATIDA, Member of Scientific Committee (Brazil) were in the Core Group. Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN, President of TPHA and Mr. Bekir METIN, Vice President of TPHA hosted them.

Core Group has checked the 2009 World Congress Venue and controlled the preparation works and programme of the Congress. Keynote speakers and subthemes were determined.

- **Activities on student Seminar to be held before the World Congress**
(06 August 2008)

International Students' Meeting on Public Health (ISMOPH), a satellite event of 12th World Congress on Public Health to be held in Istanbul, Turkey from April 27th – May 1st, 2009 cooperation with Turkish Medical Student Association, Hacettepe University Medical Faculty and TPHA. Students of the world are at the doorstep of making a great difference in global public health...

This will be announced to Medical Students of 100 States through Turkish Medical Student Association and International Federation of Medical Student' Association. The documents that prepared for this seminar and congress have been put to the Congress webpage (www.worldpublichealth2009.org) on **06 August 2008**. 100 participants from 100 states were expected to this seminar.

- **The Translation of WHO and WFPHA Documents regularly continues.**

Documents issued by WHO and WFPHA and make contribution to increase participation and the themes of the Congress such as report, article and research result articles are regularly translated to Turkish and put to the TPHA' s webpage regularly on **2008** (www.t-hasak.org).

- **Official Announcements of World Congress on Public Health Translated to Turkish.**

The first and second announcement of World Congress on Public Health translated to Turkish and put official congress webpage in order to inform Turkish participants. Turkish and English Posters related with promotion of World Congress were also put on TPHA's webpage (www.t-hasak.org).

- **2009 World Public Health Congress Organization Committee Meeting**
(07 June 2008)

2009 World Congress on Public Health Organizing Committee met on **07 June 2008**. Latest developments evaluated and assignment plan was prepared during the meeting

- **Activity Reports for World Congress (01.01.2007 and 01.05.2008)**

Activity Report for the 12th World Public Health Congress covering the period between 01 January 2007 and **01 May 2008**, were prepared by TPHA and sent to WFPHA Secretariat.

- **Efforts to develop Draft Programme of 2009 World Congress on Public Health**

2009 World Public Health Congress Preliminary Draft Programme which was drawn up by the secretariat of World Federation Public Health Association (WFPHA) and Turkish Public Health Association (TPHA), on **15 November 2007**, was submitted to the members of International Planning Committee (Germany, USA, Brazil, Bangladesh, Mexico and Turkey) and to the Board of Management of WFPHA for their consideration. The feed back from the persons concerned in Turkey were collected and sent to the WFPHA Secretariat on **15 December 2007**. All of the collected data were evaluated by WFPHA and was sent to the Parties as Second Draft Programme of 2009 World Public Health Congress.

Second Draft Programme was also translated to Turkish and put into the web page of TPHA (www.t-hasak.org) in order to get opinions and suggestions from the persons concerned in Turkey. The feed backs from the organizations were evaluated by

the group of experts working in cooperation with TPHA. Second Draft Programme was sent back to WFPHA, on **8 February 2008**, after necessary changes was made.

- **Redesigning of 2009 World Public Health Congress Web-page.**

Web page of TPHA (www.t-hasak.org) and [2009 World Public Health Congress](#) were redesigned for the easy access to the information on the World Congress. After efforts continued in January and February, our web-page was updated. The new updated web-page was put into service as of **29 February 2008**.

- **Tele-conferences between WFPHA and TPHA Authorities**

The first of Tele-conference in order to get information regarding 2009 World Public Health Congress activities, their results and to discuss the strategy, to be followed was held on **23 January 2008**. Barbara HATCHER, General Secretary of WFPHA, Charlene R. BRIGHT, Programme Coordinator of WFPHA, Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN M.D., the President of TPHA, Prof. Dr. Zafer ÖZTEK, Head of Hacettepe University Public Health Division, former president of TPHA, Bekir METIN, Vice President and General Secretary of TPHA, Muharrem VARLIK, member of Board Of TPHA, Sermin KOK, Deputy General Director of World Congress and Sertaç YÜKSEL, Operation Director of ZED Event Management and Consultancy participated in the first tele-conference.

The Second Tele-conference was held on **27 February 2008** with the participation of Charlene R. BRIGHT, Programme Coordinator of WFPHA, Prof. Dr. Hikmet PEKCAN M.D., the President of TPHA, Bekir METIN, Vice President and General Secretary of TPHA, Sermin KOK, Deputy General Director of World Congress, Levent ÜLKÜ, ZED Project Director and Barış KAHRIMAN, member of TPHA Board of Management.

All the agenda items were discussed and road maps were determined accordingly in both conferences. Moreover, in order to follow up the progress, the parties continue communication in various means.