Activities of the Policy Committee (PC).

The PC has held three meetings between June 2019 and May 2020. Most of the work has consisted on the launching of the Casebook on Public Health Advocacy.

Casebook on Public Health Advocacy.

In 2019, the Policy Committee launched an initiative to edit a Casebook on Public Health Advocacy. The idea was to gather experiences of public health advocacy activities from around the world that are worth sharing with the public health community. The book will take an electronic format and will be sponsored by the Group of Research on Global Health of the University of Miguel Hernández (Spain) led by the Chair of the Policy Committee. The Editorial Committee was made up of members of the PC and the research group.

The present editorial situation (May 2020) is as follows. The Editorial Committee has provisionally accepted 28 cases based on the abstracts sent by the authors. We are now receiving the full versions of the cases, which are then submitted for peer review. We expect to finish this process by the first week of July. The book will include additional chapters written by Michael Moore, Jim Chauvin, Ildefonso Hernández and Lucy Parker.

Other activities.

The PC has reviewed the policy “A Call to Ban Coal for Electricity Production” written by Daniel E. Kenta from the Department of Health Sciences, Northeastern University (Boston, USA) and Dr. Liz Hannab from College of Science, The Australian National University Canberra.

The PC promoted a letter from the President of WFPHA, Dr. Laetitia Rispel in order to advocate the maintenance of the Andalusian School of Public Health (WHO Collaborating Centre) which the Regional Government had planned to dilute into a research centre.