

WPA epi public health section meeting the 17 october Nara Japan  
17 to 18h30 main hall

Present : J.Anthony, T.Brugha, M.Carta, A.Cheng, J. Costello, J.Fayyad, S.Henderson,  
Kovess V, Kohn R, K.Scott

Excused L.Cottler, N.Kawakami, H.Herrman, J. Wang

- 1) applicants to the section  
they were 16 applications to be reviewed (see attached list)

Seven of the applications originated from experienced and productive  
epidemiological scientists and were accepted as member

Three of them were accepted as member in training

Three as associate (one of them conditional to receiving a complete CV)

Three were out the scope of the section and will be proposed another WPA  
section more coherent with their interests

- 2) Next meeting

V.Kovess was presenting a proposal that was made to use by Thomas Schulze who is the  
president section of the WPA genetic section in order to set up a meeting in Munich

The proposal was accepted with enthusiasm at the recent Madrid section meeting but  
not so much in Nara

People fear that the section members did not attend the meeting since it will be too far  
from their work

It was then suggested a sort of very general title such as “the future of epidemiology” or  
any thing very general so we could have a symposium on epigenetic, genetic and  
environment in epidemiology and other sympo on themes that could be different in  
order to not focus on genetic epidemiology only

Kathleen Merikangas will be approached to have her thoughts

Just after the meeting a call will be circulated to stimulate sympo proposals and select  
the best of them