

Winter Course: Managing and Researching Health Care Systems

20. November – 01. December 2017

Straße des 17. Juni 124, 10623 Berlin (C313)

(working hours: 9:00 – 17:00 each day)

Health care systems – their characteristics, the interplay of their actors, and the assessment of their performance – are complex and usually not well understood. This is a two-week block course to provide a structured introduction into how health care systems are organized, financed and regulated. Lectures will provide a general introduction into health systems frameworks, actors and functions of health care systems. The course has a particular focus on health system financing as an essential prerequisite for achieving universal health coverage. Lectures on financing (resource mobilization, pooling and allocation to third-party payers, and purchasing of healthcare services) will be followed by lectures on regulation of health care providers, and on health system performance. Participants should have a prior knowledge and interest in health care systems and are expected to read and discuss the course material (please visit: www.mig.tu-berlin.de).

Target group: participation is open to enrolled PhD candidates and alumni of post-graduate Public Health programmes interested to work on health systems in Africa and/or in the field of development co-operation.

Facilitator: Prof. Dr. med. Reinhard Busse, MPH, FFPH is the facilitator for the course along with his team. As professor and department head for Health Care Management at Technische Universität Berlin, Prof. Busse has a longstanding research and teaching experience in the field of health systems performance assessment. Prof. Busse is Associate Head of Research Policy and the Head of the Berlin hub of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies established in 1998. He is a member of several scientific advisory boards (e.g. for the Federal Association of Company-based Sickness Funds, the German Agency for Health Technology Assessment, and the Federal Physicians' Chamber) and a regular consultant to the WHO, the EU Commission, OECD and other international organizations within Europe and beyond as well as national health and research institutions.

Registration:

Interested participants from **OUTSIDE BERLIN-BRANDENBURG** can apply for funding support for travel expense and subsistence allowance. Due to organizational changes, there is only limited capacity for all interested participants.

If you wish to attend the course, please follow the link below to register for free latest by **Friday, 10. November 2017.**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FNE3g-YN3lgDyTbzsDVLBIxnxUiBN2cCzMlvGzCbQx8/edit>

Timetable

Date:	block course for 2 weeks
Start	20.11.2017
End	01.12.2017
Place:	C 313
Lecturer:	Prof. Dr. Reinhard Busse

Please note that the course will be held as a block course and ordering of topics is likely to change. More information will be given during the first course.

The following topics are going to be adressed this year:

Date	Subject
20.11.2017	Welcome session and introduction to the course (15:00-17:00 pm)
21.11.2017	Outline of health care system functions, organizational structures and population coverage and benefit package
22.11.2017	Raising, pooling and allocating resources
23.11.2017	Purchasing and payment systems
24.11.2017	Regulation and governance of providers Information sources for the term paper
27.11.2017	Tax-funded and fragmented health systems
28.11.2017	Social health insurance – an introduction and status in selected countries
29.11.2017	Public-private mix in health finance and provision: does it make a difference?
30.11.2017	Assessing health system performance
01.12.2017	Summary of the course

Upon a successful completion of the course, a certificate will be awarded (and grade points provided upon request).

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