



The International People's Health University (IPHU) of the People's Health Movement (PHM)

Jointly with
Human Action for Integrated Development in Senegal (AHDIS)
and
Forum des Alternatives Maroc (FMAS)

announce

THE STRUGGLE FOR HEALTH

a short training course for young health activists

From 30 January to 11 February 2011

*including participation in the World Social Forum (6-11 Feb. 2011)
in Dakar, Senegal*

Objectives

The IPHU short courses are to enable younger health activists to make new connections, share experiences and study together. They aim at strengthening the growing activism of the People's Health Movement.

Who is the course planned for?

- Young health activists and practitioners working on the issues of health, gender and human rights and particularly including those involved or wish to be involved in the [People's Health Movement](#) (PHM).
- Applicants should have a university degree or equivalent.
- Priority, with respect to enrolment, will be given to
 - Younger people motivated to get involved in PHM and have endorsed the [People's Charter for Health](#);
 - Primary health care and public health practitioners;
 - People with a track record as health activists within the PHM, in particular, people who have been actively involved in organizations which are part of the PHM
- A total of 50 participants is expected.
- The enrolment policy aims to achieve:
 - geographical mix
 - gender balance
 - diversity of involvements: community based organizations, health care agencies, NGOs, universities, government officials, etc; and
 - diversity of skills, records of activism, interests, experience, and educational backgrounds.

Curriculum

The curriculum includes:

- the struggle for health and organized health activism: challenges, strategy and practice, achievements and new directions;

- working with communities and with grass roots people's organizations;
- social determinants of health: poverty, oppression and hierarchy; alienation and exclusion; racism, sexism and materialism;
- comprehensive primary health care: achievements, challenges, lessons and new directions;
- the political economy of health: imperialism and globalisation, the international financial institutions and the UN system; local issues and global pressures;
- health system strengthening; the politics of health policy;
- the right to health: principles, achievements and new directions;
- people's health and the environmental struggle;
- research: part of the problem and part of the solution.

Approach to learning

- Start with the struggle for health
- Teach and learn in partnership
- Knowledge is imbued with purpose
- New ideas must be used
- Activism is an ethical commitment
- Learn new ways of being (as well as new facts and theories)
- Refresh, enquire, research
- Nurture leadership: judgment which inspires confidence; integrity which creates trust and the courage to take risks
- Learn to listen to learn; learn to teach; teach to learn
- Steer our own learning; grow the skills and habits of life long learning
- Build our community of activists
- Stay with the struggle for health

The course will involve: pre-reading & exercises; lectures, small group discussions, debates, workshops and follow up study. Resource materials will take the form of soft/hard copy readings, lecture notes and websites.

Faculty

Faculty members will be a mix between high-profile academic personnel and health activists of a sound experience; in addition to a number of PHM resource persons, from the region as well as PHM-Global.

Language

The course will be taught in French and English. Simultaneous translation will be provided.

Fees & Scholarships

Registration*	EUR 50 (USD 70 or CFA 32,800)
Tuition**	Free
Accommodation***	EUR 500 (USD 685 or CFA 327,980)

* Mandatory - Cover all training materials; lunch and coffee breaks during the training days.

** Supported by the PHM-IPHU for all participants.

*** Fixed rate for subsidized activists' accommodation in shared, basic facilities (bed, breakfast and dinner).

- A limited number of scholarships for travel and/or accommodation will be available for qualified applicants.
- Priority will be given to qualified applicants from Senegal (as the host country), other West African French-speaking countries and Maghreb region.
- Travel scholarships for qualified Senegalese participants from outside Dakar is subjected to a fixed rate, estimated based on the average cost of travel by bus or train.
- In case of travel scholarships provided for qualified international participants, flight tickets will be booked by the PHM Global Secretariat upon a written confirmation and signed agreement by the participant on the itinerary provided. Most of flight tickets will be non-refundable; accordingly, participants will be asked to sign an agreement stating that they will pay back the cost of the tickets if they did not show up. This policy is only to ensure that we are using our limited resources efficiently.
- Registration fees are mandatory for all participants.
- Activists' accommodation will be reserved in shared, basic facilities
- PHM-IPHU scholarships do not cover visa fees, airport tax & travel insurance (if applicable), personal living expenses, per diems, or local transportation in the home country.

- Applicants should seek such support from sponsors in their own countries in the first instance.
- Registration fees of the [World Social Forum](#) will be at your own cost. [Click here for more details.](#)

Venue

- The course will be convened at the School of Engineers, National School for Applied Economy (ENEA). Address: Ouakam Street, Dakar.
- From 6 to 10 February, additional activities will be planned within the framework of the World Social Forum.

Accommodation

- Activists' accommodation in shared, basic facilities will be reserved from 29 January till the night of 11 February at the School of Engineers and College Guest House.
- Any change in the accommodation plans will be announced.

Application and Deadline

- Apply online by filling in the Online Application Form in French at: www.iphu.org/fr/dakar/application and in English at: www.iphu.org/en/dakar/application
- If you are unable to apply online please download the application form in French or English at www.iphu.org/en/dakar/announce or contact iphu@phmovement.org for an application form by email (coming soon).
- Deadline for receiving applications: **19 December 2010**
- All applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application.

Contacts

- For inquiries please contact the IPHU-Dakar Organizing Team at: iphu@phmovement.org
- For more about the IPHU-Dakar Short Course, go to: www.iphu.org/en/dakar/announce

About

The People's Health Movement (PHM) is global movement, which has its roots deep in the grassroots people's movements and owes its genesis to many health networks and activists who have been concerned by the growing inequities in health over the last 25 years. The PHM calls for a revitalisation of the principles of the Alma-Ata Declaration, which promised Health for All by the year 2000 and complete revision of international and domestic policy that has shown to impact negatively on health status and systems. The People's Health Movement is coordinated by a global secretariat and is supported by a steering council.

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The International People's Health University (IPHU) is one of the major programs of the People's Health Movement (PHM). IPHU is a global university providing short courses and other resources for health activists. Courses are of a high academic standard and are documented for academic credit from established universities. IPHU short courses enable younger health activists to make new connections, share experiences and study together. IPHU short courses strengthen the global network of people's health activists.

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Human Action for Integrated Development in Senegal (AHDIS) is involved in advocacy on issues of economic development strategies and social and legal issues in health at the community level. AHDIS occurs in rural areas and urban areas and promotes a partnership with local communities and the technicians of the devolved administration in the context of national development efforts. Objectives: 1) Promote an economic and social development of Senegal on the basis of participatory policies and concerted in the conception, monitoring and evaluation. 2) Promote quality health care to populations. 3) Promote transparency in the effectiveness and transparent management of official development assistance. 4) Promote a strong civil society, engaged in identifying, monitoring and evaluation of policies

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Forum Alternatives Maroc (FMAS) is a Moroccan NGO that aims at contributing to set up a democratic and citizen social movement. It is defined as an association of defense and promotion of the economic, social, civic and cultural rights.

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