



**GLOBAL
MENTAL
HEALTH
SUMMIT**

Skills, rights, care

Advancing community-focused approach to mental health

Rome, Italy

October 13th - 14th, 2022



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Following the previous events in London, Amsterdam and Paris, the **Global Mental Health Summit (GMHS) in Rome** builds upon Italy's internationally recognised leadership in community mental health and deinstitutionalisation. The GMHS is shared with the World Health Organization and aims to pursue the ambitious roadmap, launched in London in 2018, by increasing mental health awareness, and commitment among policymakers and society. Mental health is an essential component of crisis response and economic recovery efforts, therefore the implementation of national policies promoting inclusive rights-based and effective mental health systems is even more necessary.

The GMHS' main objective is to strengthen global action from governments, international organisations and civil society to address the key issues related to mental health care, which has been upended under the pressure of the recent health and humanitarian crises, and overcoming the structural weaknesses that prevent millions of people from receiving adequate care for their mental health needs. The main topics are the central role of a **community-focused approach** to mental health and the **involvement of people with lived experience and their families** in the process of care and recovery. They have been envisioned based on an overarching framework emphasising the **human rights** and dignity of people affected by mental health conditions.

Mental health should be regarded as an essential component in preparedness and response to emergencies such as those we are currently facing. In this context, prevention and intervention efforts should focus on addressing the **needs of those mostly affected by crises**. There is a critical need for adequately funded, properly staffed, and well-organised mental health services. The barriers to overcome include, among others, lack of funding and investment in mental health care and research, scarcity of skilled human resources, societal stigma and discrimination.

The GMHS will also highlight different **capacity building strategies**, such as the identification and sharing of good practices, including the new opportunities provided by **digital mental health** and other alternative initiatives developed during the recent pandemic. These strategies are instrumental to develop and strengthen the skills, abilities, processes, and resources that mental health services and communities need to effectively address the mental health needs of all people throughout their entire life.

STEERING COMMITTEE

- **Ministry of Health, Italy:** Sandra Zampa, Antonio Gaudio, Giovanni Leonardi, Sergio Iavicoli, Giovanni Rezza, Maria Assunta Giannini, Mariella De Santis
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- **International Association of School of Social Work (IASSW):** Annamaria Campanini
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- **United for Global Mental Health (UGMH):** Sarah Kline
- **World Psychiatric Association (WPA):** Afzal Javed

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

DAY 1

Thursday, 13th October

8:00 - 9:00	<i>Welcome and registration</i>
9:00 - 09:40	Opening Plenary and welcome addresses from Authorities
09:40 - 10:00	Plenary keynote: Scaling up community mental health
10:00 - 10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:30 - 11:30	Panel 1: Going towards community mental health services
11:30 - 12:30	Panel 2: People in vulnerable situations
12:30 - 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 - 14:30	Panel 3: Mental Health and Human Rights
	Thematic parallel sessions:
14:30 - 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Community mental healthEmergency preparednessChildren, youth and adolescentsCapacity building and skills
	Thematic parallel sessions:
16:00 - 17:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Implementation gap and sustainabilityWorkforce mental healthPeople on the moveInnovation and mental health
17:30 - 19:00	<i>Get-Together Event</i>

DAY 2

Friday, 14th October

8:00 - 8:30	<i>Welcome and registration</i>
8:30 - 9:30	Report from thematic sessions
9:30 - 10:30	Interventions by Heads of Delegations
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:00 - 12:00	Interventions by Heads of Delegations
12:00 - 12:30	<i>Closing and announcement</i>

Workshops Themes

- Capacity building and skills
- Children, youth and adolescents
- Community mental health
- Emergency preparedness
- Implementation gap and sustainability
- Innovation and mental health
- People on the move
- Workforce mental health

SCIENTIFIC SECRETARIAT

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Attendance is by invitation only



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