



CENTRE VIRCHOW-VILLERMÉ FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PARIS-BERLIN

The mission of the Centre is to jointly develop and promote innovative education and to offer a bi-national platform for linking research with policy in Global Public Health.

The objectives of the Centre are:

- To play a leading role in innovative education in Global Public Health
- To organise French-German dialogue in Global Public Health
- To contribute to research activities in different areas of Global Public Health
- To foster faculty and student mobility between France and Germany
- To promote open access to education and research.

The Centre Virchow-Villermé for Public Health Paris-Berlin was initiated by the Franco-German Council of Ministers and co-established on April 15, 2013 by the Université Sorbonne Paris Cité and the Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Elysée Treaty.

The Centre is located at the Hôpital Hôtel-Dieu in Paris and at the Charité - Universitätsmedizin in Berlin. These locations allow the Centre to evolve in a pluridisciplinary environment and to strengthen relationships with a wide range of health actors.

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RESEARCH



EDUCATION - MOOCs



EXPERTISE IN GLOBAL HEALTH

Contribution to research

The research carried out at the Centre Virchow-Villermé focuses on several areas of specialization:

- Ageing, cohorts & demography
- Education on health, social networks, communications sciences
- Global change and health, Big data.

The CVV interdisciplinary research team is composed of permanent professors, post-doctoral fellows and doctoral students; in addition three visiting professors are invited every year.

Various disciplines are mobilized, such as epidemiology, biostatistics, history of health, demography, anthropology, communications and information science. The Centre has set-up collaborations with several institutes of Public Health at international universities.

Support to research

The Centre supports and supervises students and junior researchers with a particular focus on French-German research projects and research missions. In 2014-2015, five French-German research projects and six student missions were funded.

Open Education

The Centre Virchow-Villermé aims to provide freely accessible education to students and professionals in the public health sector and to give to wider public keys to understanding topics of public interest in the field of health. To achieve this, the Centre Virchow-Villermé is developing MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses), internet-based and open enrollment courses.

The CVV MOOC factory

By the end of 2015, the Centre will be the second worldwide producer of MOOCs in Public Health with 17 MOOCs offered by the Centre or in partnership with the Centre.

The CVV MOOC factory, composed of a pedagogical and audiovisual team, produces autonomously the MOOCs.

The Paris Centre invites international experts to conceive and produce a MOOC in the role of the Sanofi Chair visiting Professor.

In 2015, CVV won a national selective call for proposals on innovative training programmes, Idefi-N (Agence Nationale de la Recherche).

The Centre aims to foster exchange of knowledge and international networking at a French-German and International level.

From research to policy

The Centre organises regular workshops, which include experts in government, academia, the private sector and NGOs. Students and health professionals from France, Germany, and the EU participate in challenging debates, discuss strategies and priorities, and give recommendations in various areas of global health.

Reports of the workshops are available:
<http://virchowvillermé.eu/expertise/workshops/>

An International Public and Global health network

The Centre Virchow-Villermé is active in the M8 Alliance Network. This network of 17 international organisations brings together universities, academies and institutions to advise international decision-makers on how to improve global health. This Alliance acts as a think-tank to the World Health Summit with whom the Centre works closely.