

A-2 Roundtable: International Perspectives and Local Impact on Global Health Concerns

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Panel Abstract:

This dynamic and interactive round table will discuss the role of physical activity in promoting health, life styles and quality of life around the globe. We intend address enhancers and barriers to physical health and physical activity. The panel will welcome successful international experiences addressing environmental education through physical activity, effective strategies fighting pandemic obesity, urban & rural solutions to promote physical activity and healthy life styles. Brief anthropological, sociological and phenomenological insights will initiate the roundtable. Further discussion will culminate with a summary of positive experiences reported by local and international colleagues. Topics: Physical activity enhancers, pandemic obesity, international experiences, improvement of quality of life and international collaboration. Methodology: Introductions; opening of international perspectives; inquiry-based discussion on major health issues; brain storming on global and local solutions; reports & insights; closure & socialization.