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Dear Dr Belkania,

School on Refugee and Migrant Health, Palermo, Italy, 24–28 September 2018

I have the honour to inform you that the WHO Regional Office for Europe is organizing the Second Edition of the WHO International School on Refugee and Migrant Health, to be held in Palermo, Italy, 24–28 September 2018, with the support of the Ministry of Health of Italy, the regional health authorities of Sicily and in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the European Commission (EC), the European Public Health Association (EUPHA), and the Italian National Institute for Health Migration and Poverty (NIHMP).

The objective of the School is to bridge research, policy and practice, share knowledge, experience and good practice from the field, and foster debate and critical thinking, improving health systems and managing public health aspects of refugees and migrants in the countries of origin, transit and destination. The course will include an all-day field trip to an entry point location frequently receiving refugees and migrants as well as a search and rescue simulation exercise. This is expected to provide participants with first-hand experience of how authorities in Italy are currently managing the public health challenges related to migration. A copy of the provisional programme is enclosed.

I have pleasure in inviting you to nominate one or two participants from the Ministry of Health who are involved in the area of migration and health. To foster intersectoral collaboration on this issue, kindly note that it may also be possible to nominate the second participant from a different ministry. The main target audience is high-level technical government officials; a number of places will also be reserved for researchers with sound experience in the area of migration and health. The working language of the School will be English.

I look forward to receiving your nomination, indicating the name, functional title, address and email of the proposed participant(s) at your earliest convenience but **no later than Friday, 13 July 2018**.

Unfortunately, this Office will not be in a position to cover costs related to participants travel and accommodation.

Dr Santino Severoni, Coordinator, Migration and Health, Division of Policy and Governance for Health and Well-being, is responsible for the organization of the School. It would therefore be appreciated if you would address your reply to him (email: euwhoeurosummerschool@who.int).

The team will be pleased to provide the nominee(s) with all necessary documentation and administrative information once they receive your response.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Piroska Östlin
Director
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Encl.:
Provisional programme

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