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FYI, een flinke boost voor foresight...

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FYI – we hebben ter info ons foresight report gestuurd naar de eurocommissaris, en vice president van de Commissie. Zij willen foresight methodologie inbedden in standard EU werk. https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/strategic-planning/strategic-foresight_en

Best wishes,
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Dear Vice-President Maroš Šefčovič,
 Dear Commissioner,

I trust this message reaches You, your family and colleagues in good health, albeit in what continues as challenging times.

With our eyes on the post-pandemic recovery to plan for and building the future societal resilience, I am writing in reference to a launch of [EU-wide Foresight Network of Ministers for the Future](#), chaired by yourself. Finding it a much needed initiative which aims to systematically embed strategic foresight into EU policymaking and develop an alternative set of progress indicators, I would like to share with you the final report of a foresight exercise led by EuroHealthNet - a European Partnership of the public and statutory bodies responsible for public health – and the Dutch National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM): [Public Health Foresight in light of COVID-19](#).

The report is a culmination of discussions among a group of senior public health officials from national and regional public health agencies across Europe on current developments in Public Health and implications for the future. It reflects their insights into some of the most pressing societal challenges and trends for public health in the years ahead, adopting a broad definition of health which encompasses social and environmental factors. We believe the work by the EU Foresight Network of Ministers for the Future can benefit from our learning, notably when it comes to factoring health equity, health promotion and ill-health prevention in the future-oriented EU policymaking.

The attached report outlines 30 multi-governance recommendations, which I hope You will find time to read and perhaps share with your EU affairs ministers colleagues. Below, I include just a selection of those which we consider of particular relevance in the given context:

- Adopt a **multilevel ‘Health in All Policies’ approach**, achieving UN Sustainable Development Goals, working across thematic areas and with EU, regional and local authorities. Issues are interrelated and factors such as climate change have impacts on health and future pandemics and need to be prioritised. This also includes measures for a sustainable economic recovery and solutions towards rising levels of precarious work and poverty. Give urgent attention to significant **changes to the social, economic and environmental determinants (SEEDs)** and their **impacts on health equity and mental wellbeing**, including digitalisation, AI, globalisation, transport and new forms of employment such as teleworking and platform economies.
- Encourage the use of **Health and Equity Impact Assessments (HIA) systematically as a basis for effective policy and practice understanding** and design across systems and sectors. Health (equity) impacts assessments (HIAs) of the pandemic mitigation measures have been lacking and are important to undertake, consulting stakeholders and setting new directions, through a participatory and evidence-based approach.
- Apply **governance mechanisms** available in the European Semester, in the Multi-Annual Financial Framework and Next Generation EU Recovery Plan to build improved resilience and sustainability for health, wellbeing and equity, revised according to new evidence of needs arising from the consequences of the pandemic, and to implement the Green Deal, Digital transformation and European Pillar of Social Rights. Consider the allocation and redistribution of healthcare resources **to invest in health promotion and prevention and social care systems, to tackle health inequalities and enable healthy living patterns.**
- Recognising the interconnected nature of health and the economy, bring forward **further fiscal and regulatory measures to address economic activities in favour of an “economy of wellbeing”**, include psychosocial health and wellbeing indicators in ways we measure progress on the recovery and resilience front, build skills for health and wellbeing, and address commercial determinants of health, all of which have been highlighted during the crisis.

Should you have any questions or suggestions for us, please do not hesitate to get back to me. EuroHealthNet and its members stand ready to support your work in this decisive preparatory phase for the recovery that will take place in the coming years.

On behalf of EuroHealthNet’s 5.1.2e 5.1.2e,

Yours sincerely,

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