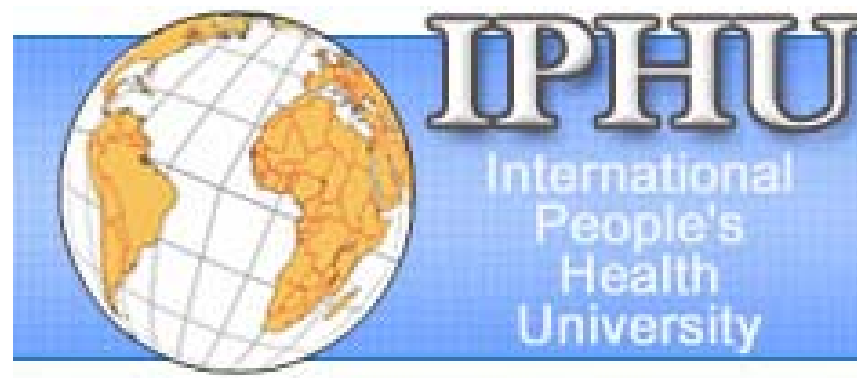




**People's Health Movement**

*Health for ALL NOW!!*

STRUGGLE  
FOR  
HEALTH



**HANDS-ON SHORT TRAINING COURSE FOR HEALTH ACTIVISTS**

**4-10 May 2009**

**Thessaloniki, Greece**

## Objectives

The IPHU short courses are to enable younger health activists to make new connections, share experiences and study together. They aim at strengthening the global network of people's health activists.

## Curriculum

The curriculum includes:

- the struggle for health: achievements, strategies and new directions;
- working with communities and with grass roots health organizations;
- comprehensive primary health care: achievements, lessons and new directions;
- the political economy of health: globalization, the WTO, the IMF and the WB; local issues and global pressures;
- the right to health: principles, achievements and new directions;
- people's health and the environmental struggle;
- research: part of the problem and part of the solution;
- social determinants of health (poverty, oppression and hierarchy; alienation and exclusion; racism and sexism; materialism) and the struggle for health.

## Approach to learning

- Start with the struggle for health
- Teach and learn in partnership
- Knowledge is for practice and purpose
- New ideas must be used
- Activism is an ethical commitment
- Learn new ways of being (as well as new facts and theories)
- Refresh, enquire, research
- Leadership: judgment which inspires; the courage to take risks

- Learn to listen to learn
- Steer our own learning
- Grow the skills and habits of life long learning
- Learn to teach; teach to learn
- Stay with the struggle for health

The course will involve: pre-reading; lectures, small group discussions, debates, workshops and follow up study. Resource materials will take the form of hard copy readings, lecture notes and websites.

## Who is the course planned for?

- A total of 40 participants are expected.
- The enrolment policy aims to achieve:
  - geographical mix: 20 participants from Greece, 20 from other countries of the region (South and East European and Balkan);
  - gender balance;
  - diversity of involvements: community based organizations, NGOs, universities, government officials, etc; and
  - diversity of skills, interests and educational backgrounds.
- Applicants should have a university degree.
- Priority, with respect to enrolment, will be given to
  - Younger people;
  - Primary Health Care and public health practitioners;
  - People with a track record as health activists within the People's Health Movement, in particular, people who have been actively involved in organizations which are part of the People's Health Movement.

## Faculty

Faculty members will be a mix between high-profile academic personnel and health activists of a sound experience. In addition, a number of the PHM resource persons, from the region as well as PHM-Global, will be participating.

## Language

The course will be taught in English and Greek. [Simultaneous translation to Russian will be attempted – **to be confirmed**].

## Fees & Scholarships

Registration fees*	EUR 150
Tuition fees**	--
Accommodation fees***	EUR 500

\* Mandatory - Cover all the training materials; lunch and coffee breaks during the training days as well as cultural and social programs.

\*\* Supported by the PHM-IPHU Global for all participants.

\*\*\* Cover the accommodation in a double room with breakfast and dinner.

A limited number of scholarships will be available for South and East European and Balkan countries. They may cover the travel costs and/or accommodation. Applicants should seek such support from sponsors in their own countries in the first instance.

## Venue

The Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: [www.auth.gr](http://www.auth.gr)

## How to Apply?

- Apply online by filling in the Online Application Form at: [www.phmovement.org/iphu/en/thessaloniki/application](http://www.phmovement.org/iphu/en/thessaloniki/application)
- If you are unable to apply online, please contact [secretariat@phmovement.org](mailto:secretariat@phmovement.org) for an application form by email.
- Attaching a personal resumé will be an asset.

## Deadlines

- Deadline for receiving Application Forms: 10 April 09.
- Deadline for decision of selection committee: 15 April 09.
- Deadline for finalizing the travel arrangements (in case of acceptance): 25 April 09.

## Course Coordinators and Contacts

- For more about IPHU-Thessaloniki Short Course, go to <http://www.phmovement.org/iphu/en/thessaloniki/announce>
- For further inquiries please contact the IPHU-Thessaloniki Organizing Team through the following email address [thessaloniki@phmovement.org](mailto:thessaloniki@phmovement.org)

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*IPHU is a global university providing short courses and other resources for health activists. Courses are of a high academic standard and are documented for academic credit from established universities.*

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