

End of the year newsletter

In the KCGH newsletter we make sure our network keeps track of our future and past activities, and other news in the field of global health. This newsletter is a special edition about all our activities in the past year and about our future activities in the new year. Happy new year from the KCGH team!!

This newsletter is presented to you in collaboration with the [NVTG](#). Are you reading this via one of our social networks and are you not subscribed to our mailinglist? Make sure to subscribe [here](#).

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⟨⟨ ***Symposium: Decolonising Global Health***



Last November, the NVTG, OIGT and KCGH organised the Decolonising Global Health Symposium. It is hard to summarize such a inspiring event, but we would like to share with you a few reflection points.

Tammam Aloudat with his speech drew historical lines between the colonial past and current humanitarianism. "We have a system that is located in the global north that acts upon the global south".

Fatima Hassan reminded us that the global failure with vaccine equity is a failure that addresses everyone's interest. "Hoarding of knowledge is one of the cruelest things you can do. You have the tools that can save lives, you but refuse to share and this costs lives."

The other speakers, Themrise Khan, Remco van de Pas, Marije Versteeg, Kiza Magendane, Julia Addison, Judith van de Kamp, Koos van der Velden, Anoushka Ramkumar, Gidado Mustapha, Kodan Lachmi and Sandra Alba mentioned many important points:

- Who is the Global South? Importance of specifying who we are addressing in research or as global healthcare professionals abroad: the Global South is not a monolith but there is enormous variety of cultures and systems.
- How can we break the perpetuating cycle of colonizing structures and instead strengthen the local accountability, ownership and response.
- The Global South doesn't need saviors but advocates.
- Everyone who works in Global Health needs to look into their own colonial systems and own internalized biases and challenge this.
- Equitable partnerships: how and who defines them?

Have you missed the symposium? Find a link to the recording down below.

[Recording](#)



Tammam Aloudat - Decolonising Humanitarianism or Humanitarian Aid?



« Thesis Prize 2022

Last year we've organised another thesis contest, of which the winners were announced during the Decolonising Global Health Symposium in Novembre.

The winners of the 2022 Thesis Prize were [Linda van der Spek](#) (category Global Child Health) and [Julia Addison](#) (category Health Equity). The category Global Child Health was sponsored by the Global Child Health working group, the category Health Equity was sponsored by us. They both won €1000,- to invest in their career. Congratulations to both!

- The title of Linda's thesis was:

Targeting mass drug administration against schistosomiasis in northern Tanzania: Exploring the use of precision mapping and spatial predictive modeling to inform planning at sub-district level.

- The title of Julia's thesis was:

Equitable Partnerships for Clinical Internships Between High-Income and Low- and Middle-Income Medical Institutions; a Transdisciplinary Research Project.

If you would like to know more about the theses, feel free to contact Linda and/or Julia via LinkedIn.

《《 **Workshop: Equitable Knowledge Sharing**

EQUITABLE SHARING OF MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE

How can you reach a wider audience to distribute your knowledge?

Between the end of October and beginning of November 2022, KCGH hosted a series of three online workshops on equitable knowledge sharing in collaboration with UnitingStreams.

The goal of the workshops was to teach researcher or anyone who wants to share their ideas or projects with a wider public how to use different means of communication other than academic journals.

The first workshop was on use of social media and was given by Hillman Bauto, the second one was about community outreach program, by Koiwah Koi Larbi BSc, LL.B, LL.M and the final one was on writing an opinion paper by Bipasha van der Zijde.

You can watch the first and second workshop again here. The third one was not recorded.

[Workshop 1](#)

《《*Movienight and discussion:* *African Apocalypse*

In preparation to the symposium, Decolonising Global Health, KCGH hosted an online movienight.

The movie is about a British-Nigerian Oxford University student, Femi Nylander, who goes in search of the meaning and legacy of colonial horror in West Africa. He discovers the unknown story of a French army captain, Paul Voulet, who descended into unspeakable barbarity in the conquest of Niger. Femi finds communities still traumatized by the century-old violence of Voulet. He returns to Britain just as a new global confrontation of the legacy of empire and racism emerges in the Black Lives Matter protests during 2020. Empowered by his journey, Femi joins the movement determined to play his full part in this growing movement against oppression.

The movie was followed by a panel discussion with: Rob Lemkin, the movie director, Maartje Santema-Mutsaerts, communication consultant and Elena Soldati, junior doctor in psychiatry. You can find the recorded panel discussion below.



« Power of Knowledge event by KIT Royal Tropical Institute



On September 1st, the Royal Tropical Institute (KIT) organized the first annual Power of Knowledge event. KCGH sponsored 30 tickets for students to attend this event and be inspired by its many speakers and attendees. In addition, students attended a writing workshop and were asked to write a reflection on the Power of Knowledge event. Out of all the reflections, we selected five pieces to be published. See below to gain insight into these students' thoughts and beliefs, and be inspired by their passionate accounts of this incredible event!

[Read the reflections](#)

[More info about event](#)

1ST SEPTEMBER 2022
AMSTERDAM - BEIRUT - PRETORIA

THE POWER OF KNOWLEDGE



Asfari Institute for
Civil Society and Citizenship
معهد الأماطري
للمجتمع المدني والمواطنة



KIT Royal
Tropical
Institute

« NVTG working group activities

One of the goals of KCGH is to connect NVTG working groups and to create opportunities for these working groups to share their knowledge with a wider public.

This year we are proud to have helped to facilitate multiple working group projects. Examples of these projects are symposia, workshops and webinars. Press [here](#) if you would like to see an overview of the webinars facilitated by working group Zorg voor Klimaat for instance. Another example of a project that we've helped to facilitate was the symposium of Medicine on the Move in June, about access to healthcare for undocumented migrants. Read about this and some of the other projects on our website (press "werkgroep projecten" down below). This page, however, is in Dutch.

If you have any projects you would like to have some help with, don't hesitate to contact us (info@kcgh.nl).

[Werkgroep projecten](#)

»» **SAVE THE DATE: Transformative Change & Leadership Course**

Transformative Change and Leadership Course

Join us in the 5 midday course!



We are looking for early- or midcareer professionals who are interested to apply their global health knowledge in clinical, research or policy practices.

Are you eager to make healthcare more inclusive, or apply health innovations from abroad to healthcare in the Netherlands? Are you working on equitable access to health, for instance for refugees? Or are you ready to lead towards health for all in any other way, and would like to determine where to begin? We look forward to welcoming you to our Transformative Change & Leadership course in 2023!

What & when: 5 Tuesday afternoons in March (28), April (4, 11, 18) and May (9) from 12:45-17:30 (lunch is included!).

- The days exist of 2 intensive sessions, and an "inspiration-45" in which experts who have facilitated change in their professional setting talk about their experiences and answer your questions.

- An individual check-in will take place in June to hear about how you're applying your learning in practice & an optional meet-up will be organised in the summer.

Where: University College Utrecht

Who: We have room for a maximum of 25 participants

Costs: €275,-

For more information and the sign-up, press the big red button down below!
(Sign-up will be open until 29 January)

Down below you also find the programme schedule with more information about the content of the course days.

We are currently in the process of applying for CPD (AIGT) accreditation for this course.

[Sign-up & more info](#)

Programme Schedule

Each session will focus on a different theme and will help you develop the competences you need to effect change in your professional setting

Day 1: GOALS & MOTIVATION - Learn to clearly and effectively communicate your goals, approaches and activities to realise your vision for change.

Day 2: THEORY OF CHANGE - Articulate your values, envisioned change and role in society and professional environment.

Day 3: STAKEHOLDER ANALYSIS - Recognise relationships between stakeholder and your project(s) and develop a stakeholder map.

Day 4: STRATEGY DESIGN - Know approaches to change management and innovation implementation and design a strategy for advocacy activities

Day 5: PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION - Design a roadmap to the implementation of your advocacy strategy and develop a pragmatic evaluation framework for your advocacy activities.



» **SAVE THE DATE:**



The European and Dutch Societies for Global Health and Tropical Medicine, Knowledge Centre Global Health, and University Medical Center Utrecht are proud to host the 13th European Congress on Tropical Medicine and International Health; we look forward to welcoming you in 20-23 November 2023!

We are experiencing more extreme weather events across the globe – and thousands of lives have been lost in 2022 alone as a result of catastrophic conditions, including heatwaves in the US, wildfires in Europe, cyclones in East Africa, lightning strikes in India, and floods in Pakistan. We are also faced with declining biodiversity, including the decimation of wildlife, as well as the increasing degradation and pollution of our natural environments. Urgent attention and action is now required to address the extensive damage that humans have created and to acknowledge that our health is intrinsically linked to the health of the planet. Planetary health therefore reflects the interconnectedness of human health and climate change in a rapidly changing environment and is the over-arching theme and common thread running through the ECTMIH 2023 programme.

Our aim at ECTMIH2023 is to accelerate the understanding, appreciation, and connections between tropical medicine, global health, and the urgent field of planetary health. We will build on global health traditions to emphasize the importance of health equity and universal health coverage to ensure that all populations – and especially those in low(er) resource settings – have optimal chances of health and wellbeing.

For more information about the ECTMIH, press the big red button down below.

[**ECTMIH**](#)

◇ ***Podcast: Planetary Health Talks***

PLANETARY HEALTH
TALKS

*'How do we define ourselves to nature,
listen to the voice of the planet and
have hope for transformative change?'*



EPISODE #2

JORIEKE VAN DER STELT

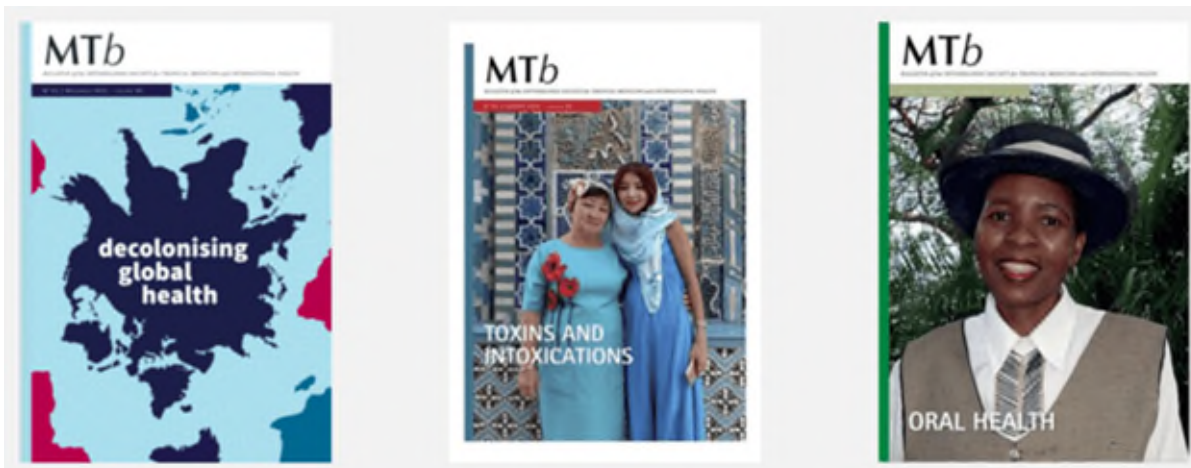
GP, Global Health Doctor

To already introduce you to the topic of planetary health, the KCGH has launched a podcast series: Planetary Health Talks.

In 2015, the Rockefeller foundation and the Lancet introduced the concept of Planetary Health as “the health of human civilization and the state of the natural systems on which it depends”. In the light (or should we say ‘darkness’) of the climate change, the importance of Planetary Health is getting more apparent every day. But how does the change in our natural surrounding influence our health? What are examples of this interconnectedness and what can we do about it? How can we learn from each other across the globe and act together? These are all questions we will discuss together in the Planetary Health Talks podcast, presented by the Knowledge Centre Global Health and hosted by Ashis Brahma, story teller and forensic medical doctor, co-hosted by Renée Robbers, project officer at Knowledge Centre Global Health.

[Link to Spotify](#)

◇ **Journal: MTb**



Four times a year, in cooperation with the NVTG, we publish the MTb: the journal for professionals in global health. Click on the red button below for an overview of the most recent issues from 2022.

[MTb](#)

◇ **Book: Into the World**



The 'Into the world' book is one of the most important parts of Into the World's first campaign. It's because of this book, that there now is funding for the AIGT training.

The successful physical book has been sold out for some time, but sales of the e-book continue.

A must-read for all (aspiring) AIGT (io) and otherwise anyone with an interest in Global Health. Order it now through the red button down below.

◇ **Magazine: Medisch Contact**



[Because the magazine is in Dutch, the message down below is in Dutch]

Afgelopen week kwam het eindejaars nummer van het magazine van Medisch Contact uit, dit jaar gewijd aan het buitenland. Er staan portretten in van collega's die ver weg van Nederland praktijk houden, lees lezersbijdragen over bijzondere ervaringen in het buitenland en leer over ziekenhuiseten van over de hele wereld. Er zit zelfs een kwarterspel in!

Druk op de rode knop en we wensen je veel lees plezier toe!

Tijdschrift

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