



Finland's Arctic Council Chairmanship 2017 - 2019 health and social issues priorities

24th Meeting of JWGHS in Oulu, Finland

Arctic Council chairmanship 2017 - 2019

- Beginning of May 2017
- Goals: to mitigate climate change and promote sustainable development in the Arctic area
- Consultation with member states associations of the indigenous peoples about the Chairmanship Programme
- Wellbeing of the people living in the Arctic dependent on the three pillars of sustainable development - economic, environmental and social

Key priorities in health and social issues:

- Mental wellness
 - Capacity for mental health promotion
 - Suicide prevention
- Occupational safety and health
 - Prevention of risks of physical and mental work-related stress
- Gender equality
 - Gender dimensions of changing climate and living environment
- OneHealth
 - Human-animal-environment interlinkage; better preparedness and response for zoonotic diseases