



Protecting Health in a Changing Climate

June 3rd 2025

11:15am to 1:15pm CEST + networking lunch

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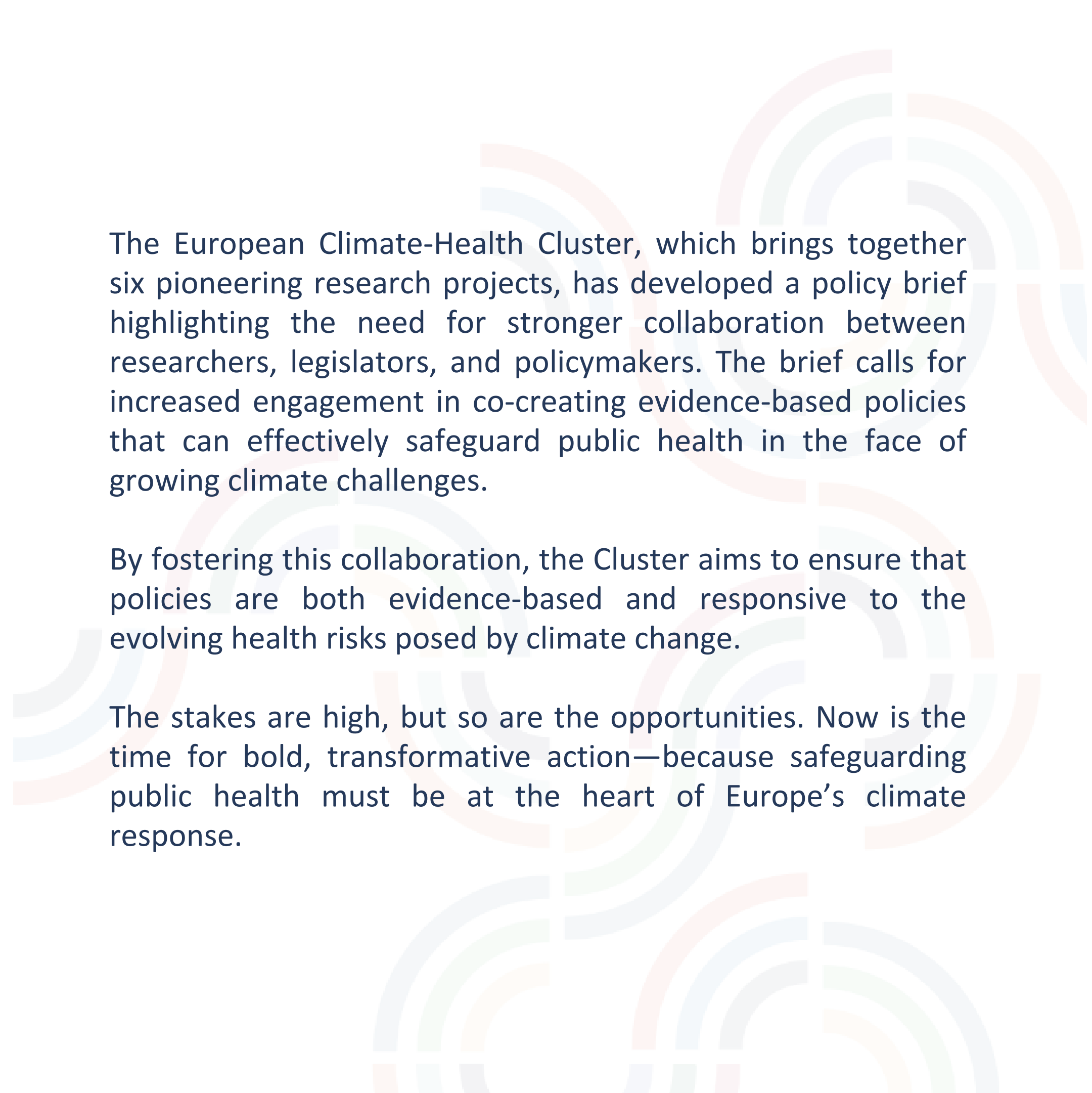
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BACKGROUND

As climate change escalates, its harmful effects on human health are becoming increasingly evident. Rising temperatures, extreme weather events, and shifting disease patterns pose significant threats to public well-being, necessitating urgent and transformative actions from European policymakers.

The EU has laid crucial groundwork in addressing the health impacts of climate change. The European Green Deal aims for a resource-efficient, competitive economy with net-zero emissions by 2050, prioritising the protection of citizens' health from environmental risks. Complementing this, the EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change promotes a climate-resilient Europe by integrating health considerations into adaptation policies. Additionally, the EU4Health program strengthens health security and tackles climate-related health challenges, ensuring a proactive response to environmental threats.



The European Climate-Health Cluster, which brings together six pioneering research projects, has developed a policy brief highlighting the need for stronger collaboration between researchers, legislators, and policymakers. The brief calls for increased engagement in co-creating evidence-based policies that can effectively safeguard public health in the face of growing climate challenges.

By fostering this collaboration, the Cluster aims to ensure that policies are both evidence-based and responsive to the evolving health risks posed by climate change.


The stakes are high, but so are the opportunities. Now is the time for bold, transformative action—because safeguarding public health must be at the heart of Europe's climate response.

THE ROUNDTABLE

On the 3rd of June, 11:15AM to 1:15PM CEST, the European Climate-Health Cluster will organise a roundtable with the objective of co-creating evidence-based strategies that not only address climate change but also protect and strengthen human health.

Hosted by Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis, the meeting brings together experts from the Cluster, EU policymakers and relevant stakeholders to explore the latest research findings, discuss the policy brief's recommendations, and identify pathways for stronger legislative engagement.

We aim to stimulate dynamic discussions among participants. The meeting opens with a short presentation of findings from the policy brief 'The importance of protecting human health in the EU climate policies'. This will serve to set the scene for the discussion among the participants, who will be invited to provide short and targeted interventions.



External stakeholders are invited to join this roundtable to engage with leading researchers and policymakers on the health impacts of climate change. This is a key opportunity to access the latest research, share expertise, and help shape evidence-based policies. By participating, stakeholders can strengthen cross-sector collaboration and ensure their perspectives contribute to a climate-resilient, health-focused European agenda.

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11:15 – 11:20	European Climate Health Cluster – Introduction video
11:20 – 11:25	Welcome remarks <i>Prof. Debra Jackson, current European Climate-Health Cluster Coordinator & HIGH Horizons</i>
11:25 – 11:35	Introduction by meeting host MEP Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis (S&D), former WHO Special Envoy for the European region and former European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety
11:35 – 11:45	EU Climate Health Cluster policy brief <i>Josep M. Antó, CATALYSE</i>
11:45 – 12:15	Panel discussion 1 ‘Progress and barriers in tackling the health consequences of climate change’ Moderator: Raman Preet, IDAlert Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Silvana Di Sabatino, TRIGGER• Carmen Laplaza Santos, DG RTD• Aleksandra Kazmierczak, European Environment Agency
12:15 – 12:25	Reflections from the floor Joined by the Planetary Health Cluster

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12:25-12:55	<p>Panel discussion 2 ‘The future of EU action on climate change and public health’</p> <p><i>Moderator: Alba Godfrey/Vania Putatti, BlueAdapt</i></p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Carla Maia, CLIMOS</i>• <i>Italian MEP Ignazio Roberto Marino, Greens/EFA</i>• <i>Peter Löffler, DG CLIMA</i>
12:55 – 13:05	Reflections from the floor
13:05 – 13:15	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Rita Araujo, DG RTD</p>
13:15 – 13:45	Networking lunch

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Speaker introductions

Host



Prof. Debra Jackson

*European Climate-Health Cluster Coordinator
& HIGH Horizons*

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MEP Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis

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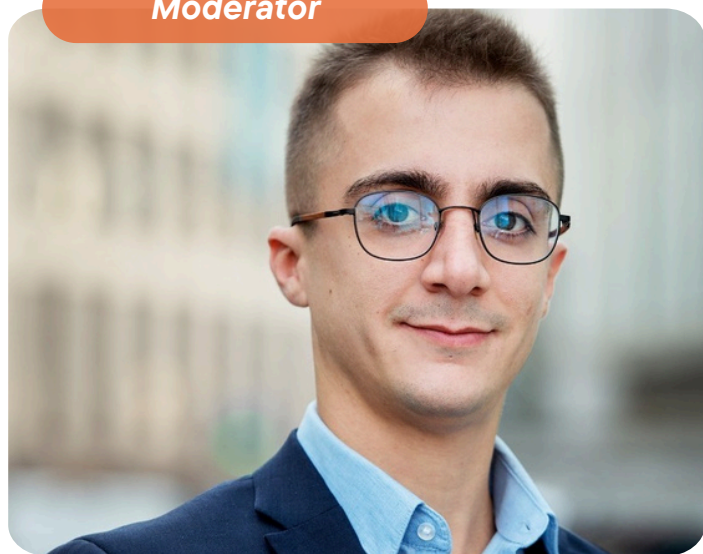
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