

Workshop
Writing for policy-makers: Developing policy briefs to support decision-making
(preliminary title and outline)

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Dates Two days: last week of October or first week of November 2022 – to be confirmed in Spring 2022

Location Department of Health Sciences & Medicine, University of Lucerne, Switzerland

Level The workshop is open to PhD students, postdocs and interested faculty

ECTS 1 ECTS - final proof of performance: *TBD*

Content Evidence-informed policy-making is a process that aims at ensuring that the best available research evidence is used for decision-making. It is characterized by a systematic and transparent access to and appraisal of available evidence that should serve as input for the policy-making process. (Oxman et al., 2009; Lavis et al., 2009)
 Different tools and approaches are available to package research evidence for policy-making and decision makers. One of those being policy (evidence) briefs. Policy briefs prioritize and describe a policy issue, and provide a synthesis of the full range of relevant evidence to address the identified issue.
 In light of this, this workshop aims at:

- introducing students to knowledge translation tools for evidence-informed policy-making, and
- preparing students to develop their own policy brief and to identify relevant stakeholders for their brief.

Learning objectives By the end of the course, students should be able to:

- understand the realities of the environment in which policy-makers work
- identify tools and resources that are available to policy-makers and stakeholders to support the use of research evidence
- know how to access, assess, adapt and apply research evidence
- identify stakeholders that can inform the development of policy briefs
- translate the aforementioned knowledge and skills into the preparation of a policy brief

Language English

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