

Tulane's Dean Buekens Becomes Chair of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health

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Dean Pierre Buekens was officially named chair of the [Consortium of Universities for Global Health](#) at the organization's seventh annual meeting held in San Francisco last week. Dr. Buekens will hold the post for two years.

"I am honored to lead CUGH over what I know will be an exciting period of continued growth for the organization," said Dr. Buekens.

The dean has been actively involved in CUGH since its inception in 2008. More than 130 academic and other institutions hold memberships in the organization, which was formed to build interdisciplinary collaborations between universities and other sectors to address global health challenges.

The CUGH Annual Meeting has become the world's leading academic global health conference. Since its inaugural meeting in 2008, the number of registered attendees has grown from 327 to more than 1,800 from at least 62 countries and includes more than 500 students. The meeting brings together committed leaders, professionals, educators, students from diverse fields of study including engineering, business, law, policy, natural sciences, nursing, public health, medicine, veterinary medicine, and environmental studies to explore, discuss and critically assess the global health landscape.