

# Dean Buekens reinforces collaboration with ASPHER

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Dean Pierre Buekens is in his native Belgium right now, spending time in his home country but also working on collaborative research projects.

While in Belgium, Buekens met with Director Robert Otok of the [Association of Schools of Public Health in the European Region](#) (ASPHER). Together, they explored ways to reinforce collaboration between ASPHER and the [Consortium of Universities of Global Health](#) (CUGH) and also between ASPHER and the Global Health Committee of the [Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health](#) (ASPPH).

Tulane SPHTM is an active member of both CUGH and ASPPH.

ASPHER, which consists of members from across the European Union and the wider World Health Organization European Region, supports the professionalization of the public health workforce in Europe and capacity building in public health.

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