



GoPA! newsletter # 13!

May 2017

Dear colleagues,

» 1) We want to update you on the Observatory progress and define next steps to our work. We have great news!

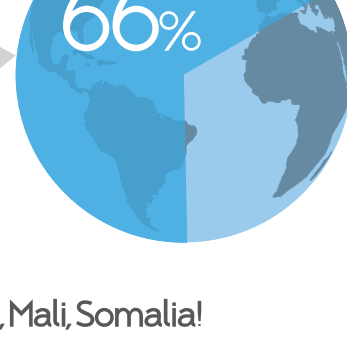
» 1) Country card statistics

✓ 144 ready!

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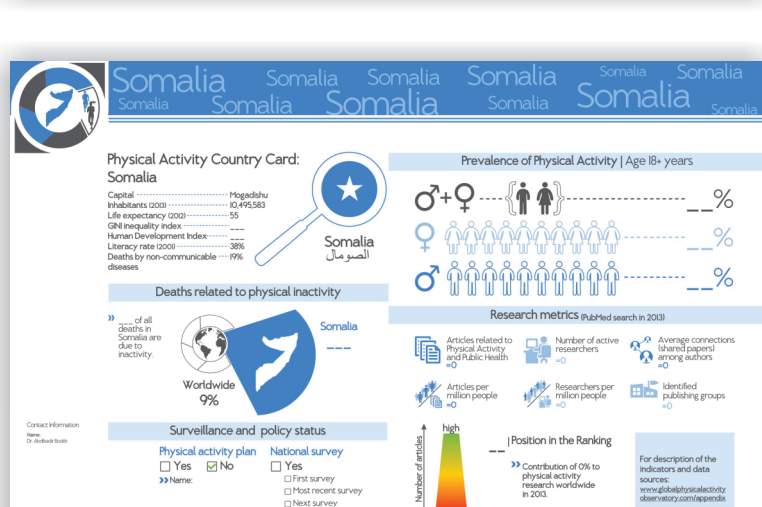
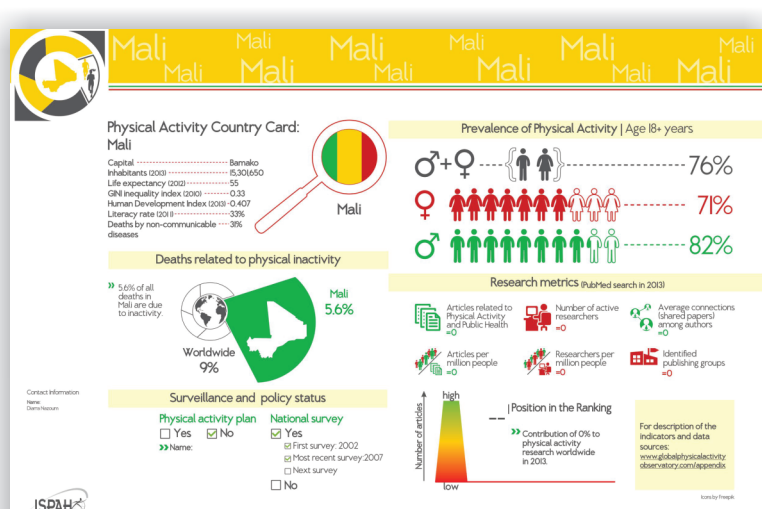
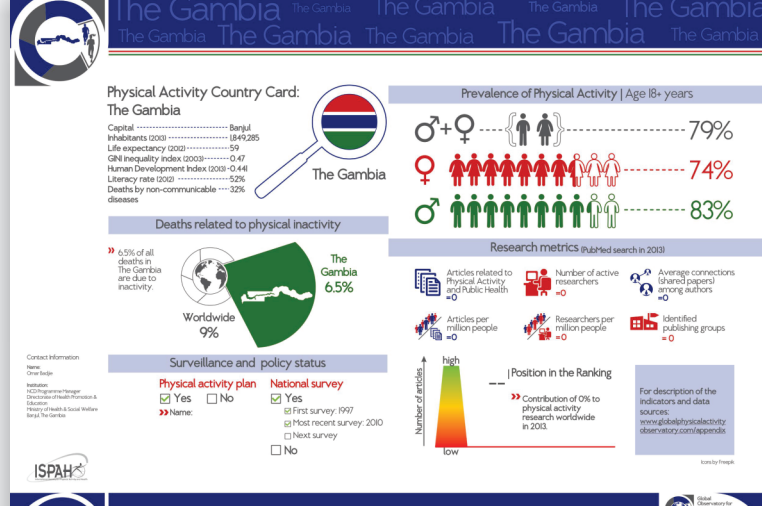
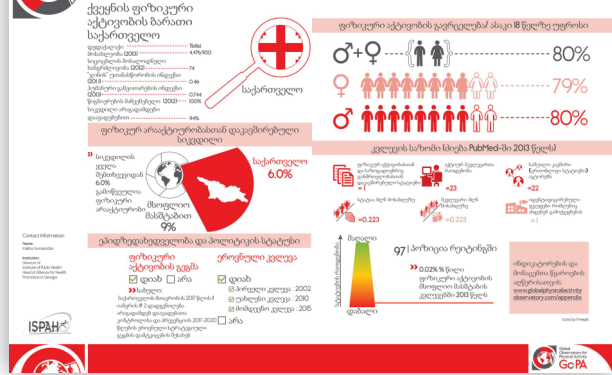
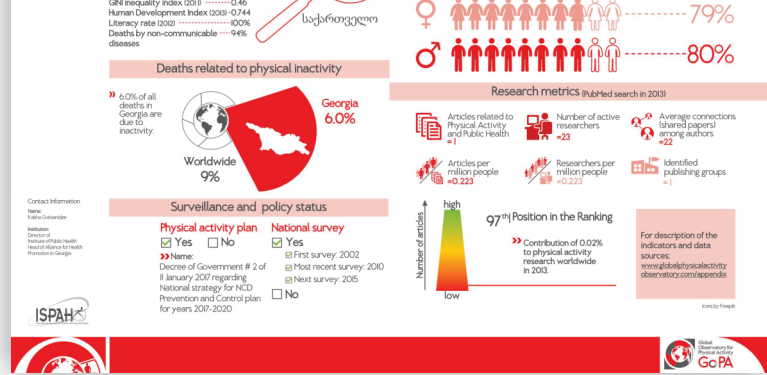
Regarding review of the cards, we now have 144 approved cards with up to date research, surveillance, and policy indicators. We have achieved an outstanding coverage of 66% of all countries in the world.



» 2) We are launching four new country cards! Georgia, Gambia, Mali, Somalia!

Take a look!

Country card translation into Georgian



» 3) New GoPA! Publications

Dr. Erica Hinckson, New Zealand Country Contact has published an article about the New Zealand Country Card on the Activity and Nutrition Aotearoa newsletter.

Congratulations!

You can find the document at: <http://ana.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/FINAL-March-Newsletter.pdf>
<http://ana.org.nz/>



» 4) GoPA! participation in events

A GoPA! poster was presented on April 5 at the University of California in San Diego - UCSD research day. We won the first place in the category of best poster!



» 5) Help us find country contacts!

Your help finding country contacts has been fundamental for GoPA!

We continue asking for your help in finding potential representatives for those countries in which we still have no contact. Do you know anyone who could be the country contact for:

- A** Afghanistan
- A** Albania
- A** Algeria
- A** Armenia
- A** Azerbaijan
- B** Bahamas
- B** Belarus
- B** Benin
- B** Bosnia and Herzegovina
- B** Burkina Faso
- B** Burundi
- C** Cambodia
- C** Central African Republic
- C** Chad
- C** Channel Islands
- C** Comoros
- C** Congo, Dem. Rep.
- C** Congo, Rep.
- C** Cote d'Ivoire
- D** Djibouti
- E** El Salvador
- E** Equatorial Guinea
- E** Eritrea
- G** Gabon
- G** Guinea
- G** Guinea-Bissau
- H** Honduras
- I** Isle of Man
- K** Korea, Dem. Rep.
- K** Kosovo
- K** Kyrgyz Republic
- L** Latvia
- L** Lesotho
- L** Liberia
- L** Libya
- L** Liechtenstein
- M** Madagascar
- M** Malawi
- M** Mauritania
- M** Mauritius
- M** Monaco
- M** Montenegro
- M** Morocco
- N** Namibia
- N** Niger
- P** Pakistan
- P** Panama
- S** San Marino
- S** Sao Tome and Principe
- S** Serbia
- S** Sierra Leone
- S** South Sudan
- S** Sudan
- T** Tajikistan
- T** Timor-Leste
- T** Turkmenistan
- T** Turks and Caicos Islands
- U** Uzbekistan
- Y** Yemen, Rep.
- Z** Zambia
- Z** Zimbabwe

» 6) Presenting country contacts

On this newsletter we want to introduce country contacts that have been working with us for the last years and that were not presented yet. We will be contacting you to send us your brief CV and a photograph.



Jaime Lepe
Country contact Chile

University professor at Universidad del Desarrollo's Physical Therapy School, Jaime graduated as a physical therapist at Universidad de Chile and performed his Master in Epidemiology in Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (2012). His research main field is physical activity and public health. He took part in the National Health Survey, Chile 2009-10 as the epidemiologist in charge of the Physical Activity Module and currently in 'The objective measurement study of physical activity' in the National Health Survey, Chile 2016-17. He has performed research in physical activity and environment, and has headed the validation of the Global Physical Activity Questionnaire (GPAQ), and the Pregnancy Physical Activity Questionnaire (PPAQ). He takes part as advisor expert in physical activity measurement in clinical research, in several task forces. He has been editor of the 'Physical activity recommendations for the Chilean population'. Is member of Chilean Epidemiology Society (SOCHEPI), the Physical Activity Network for Americas (RAFA/PANA) and member of ISPAH (International Society Physical Activity and Health). Jaime's physical activity interest includes: Aikido, regular running and cycling around the mountains near Santiago, and half marathon.



Kakha Gvinianidze
Country contact Georgia

Kakha Gvinianidze is MD and obtained MPhil in Health Promotion in University of Bergen, Norway. He is Head of Health Promotion Alliance of Georgia. Main field of his expertise is NCDs and their determinants. Tobacco control, obesity, physical activity, trauma prevention are main directions in which Dr. Gvinianidze is working almost last 20 years. Research on social determinants of obesity in Georgia was subject of his MPhil study.

Dr. Gvinianidze is researcher experienced in qualitative as well as quantitative methods of study. Another side of his experience is advocacy work to translate evidence into practice and reform Georgian health care system.

Thank you very much!
Lets improve physical activity worldwide!

Best regards,

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