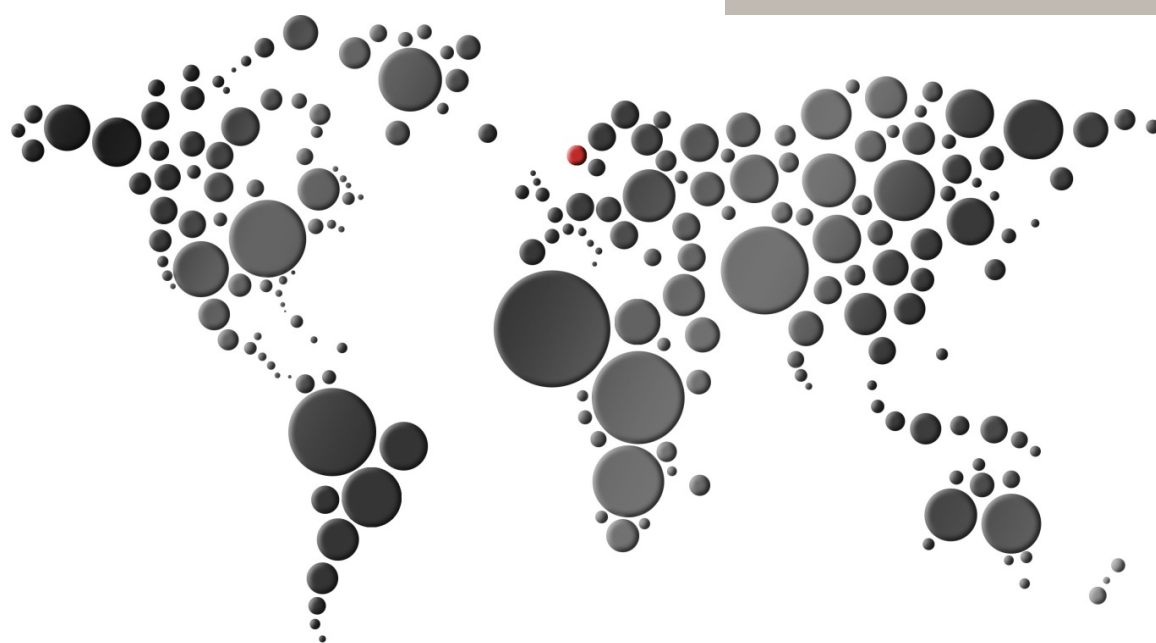


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## Executive summary



The Centre for Global Health (CGH) was established in 2014 by the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Oslo (UiO). Nested at the Institute of Health and Society and located at Frederik Holsts Hus on the Ullevål Hospital premises, the CGH aims to be a resource hub for researchers and students at the UiO working to improve health globally. We are committed to strengthening multidisciplinary cooperation internally at the Faculty of Medicine, the UiO and other leading academic institutions that work on Global Health. The CGH focuses on assembling and disseminating relevant and current information, facilitating engagement in global health related seminars, lectures and workshops and on contributing to high-quality scientific research and education in the area of Global Health.

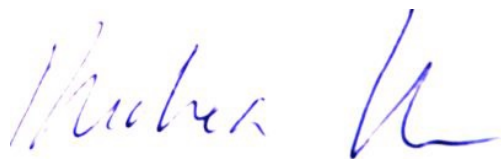
The strategy of the CGH is to provide a platform for collaboration and a hub for academics and others with activities and interest in Global Health within education and research. Thus, the CGH's main activities revolve around building networks, establishing 'signatory themes' focused around global health issues, and fostering quality education of global health related subjects. Our main target groups are researchers, clinicians, students, policy makers and managers.

The year 2016 has been one of growth and expansion for the CGH. In April 2016, I was thrilled to accept my position as the Director. Together with the Coordinator of the CGH, Ms. Ingeborg Haavardsson, our core advisory team consisting of Professores Johanne Sundby and Christoph Gradmann as well as administrative staff, we have established a virtual platform centred initially around nine signatory themes (=fields in Global Health research and teaching that will be given priority within the CGH). The signatory themes each have a leader - an academic staff member at the UiO that form part of our Technical Advisory Group, and act as the link between the CGH and the respective academic field. The CGH's international and multidisciplinary Steering Committee, led by Professor Frode Vartdal, has been instrumental in providing the CGH with guidance and expertise.

The focus in 2016 has been on developing and expanding existing and new networks at the UiO, strengthening Global Health research activities with special emphasis on transdisciplinary collaboration, developing the communication platform as well as creating an ambitious and forward-looking strategy for the years ahead.

The CGH would like to thank the CGH Steering Committee, the Technical Advisory Board, the Institute for Health and Society, the Faculty of Medicine, the rector's office and other partners for their cooperation and support in 2016.

21. June 2017,



Prof. Dr. Dr. Andrea S. Winkler  
Director for the Centre for Global Health,  
University of Oslo

## Signatory Themes

The CGH aims at promoting comprehensive Global Health research at the UiO. The CGH's networks are organized around signature research areas (nine per December 2016), which are led bottom up from the research environment itself. The themes are designed to represent ongoing research and adapt to the current environment and priorities for Global Health within UiO.

The formation of the CGH in 2014 brought together activities in Global Health research at the Department of Community Medicine and Global Health, Institute of Health and Society. Activities in non-communicable diseases, mental health, mother and child health, health system research, nutrition and education in Global Health were particularly strong and were involved in partnership programs in Malawi, the Gambia, Myanmar, Ethiopia and Kenya, among others. There was also a close collaboration with the World Health Organisation (WHO; mother and child health).

With the new leadership from April 2016 onwards, the research scope included new signatory areas from UiO at large (infectious diseases, one-health as well as migrant health and social inequalities). The majority of the developments listed below are founded on already-established projects.



## Funding grant applications and awards

The CGH has taken lead on and has been involved in several applications for exclusive and joint funds in 2016 (table 1). Throughout the year, the CGH was successful in receiving programme funding from the Norwegian Partnership Programme for Global Academic Cooperation (SIU NORPART; the CGH was offered to execute the Excel Smart project that was granted to the Faculty of Medicine (Professor Jeannette Magnus)), the Norwegian Research Council, the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD) and the Faculty of Medicine at the UiO.

**Table 1.** Applications and outcomes for joint grants to fund projects affiliated with the CGH

Project title	Project leaders	Amount (NOK)	Funding organisation	Status
<b>NORPART 2016 - Project development funding</b>	Andrea S. Winkler	50,000	SIU NORPART	Approved
<b>Academic Partnership, Student Mobility and Virtual Teaching for “One-Health” and “Global Mental Health”; Myanmar, Zambia, Tanzania, Mozambique, Norway</b>	Nay Soe Maung Andrea S. Winkler	5,000,000	SIU NORPART	Declined
<b>Universal Health Coverage and Migration; Tanzania, Kenya, Germany, Norway</b>	Andrea S. Winkler Trygve Ottersen	9,000,000	Volkswagen-stiftung	Declined
<b>Non-discriminating Access for Digital Inclusion; Tanzania, DRC, Rwanda, France, Spain, Norway</b>	Josef Noll Andrea S. Winkler	15,000,000	Norwegian Research Council	Approved
<b>Migration and Reproductive Health Research Consortium (MRHRC) in the Nordic Countries</b>	Johanne Sundby V. Combs Thorsen Benedicte Lindskog Andrea S. Winkler	14,890,000	Norwegian Research Council (Helse-EU)	Declined
<b>Fighting Cholera, at a Molecular as well as Continental Level (CholTech)</b>	Ute Krengel Andrea S. Winkler Trygve Ottersen Unni Gopinathan	1 PhD (3 years)	Life Sciences	In progress
<b>Combatting Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) in <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> – a Multidisciplinary Approach</b>	Tone Tønjum Andrea S. Winkler Trygve Ottersen Unni Gopinathan	1 PhD (3 years)	Life Sciences	In progress
<b>Networked Research on Nodding Syndrome, an Emerging Epileptic Disorder in Africa; Tanzania, USA, Norway</b>	Andrea S. Winkler Peter Spencer, Univ. of Portland, USA	637,500	NIH	In progress
<b>Article series ‘Global Health in the Era of Agenda 2030’</b>	Andrea S. Winkler Christoph Gradmann	500,000	NORAD	Approved
<b>EXCEL SMART- Exceeding Learning through Strategic Mobility and Academic Partner-ship - Jimma University, Ethiopia and University of Oslo, Norway</b>	Jeanette Magnus Andrea S. Winkler	5,000,000	SIU NORPART	Approved
<b>GLOB-MAP Study: GLOBAL MATernal Pregnancy Study; South Africa, Norway</b>	Annetine Staff Johanne Sundby	300,000	Faculty of Medicine	Approved



## Education

The CGH, based within an academic environment, is committed to developing and expanding Global Health education. Our goal is to create Global Health related educational material, establish alliances with other institutions that focus on Global Health research and education, and support students' and educators' interests in Global Health.

In the course of 2016, lectures on Global Health were included in the Master's programme of International Community Health at the Institute of Health and Society.

A Global Health module for PhDs of the Faculty of Medicine has been established. The first course will be organized in the spring of 2017. In addition, lectures on Global Health have been included in the introductory course of the PhD programme at the Faculty of Medicine.



Image by Ståle Skogstad, UiO

## The Norwegian Research School of Global Health



Image from archives of NRS GH

The CGH actively participates in the newly founded Norwegian Research School of Global Health (NRS GH). The NRS GH aims to strengthen the quality of PhD education and to facilitate recruitment of young researchers into Global Health. The partners are the Norwegian University of Science and Technology, the University of Tromsø, the University of Bergen, the Norwegian Institute of Public Health and UiO.

## Communication

As part of the communication strategy, the CGH is continuously re-shaping and updating the website with reports and activities to serve the faculty, staff, students, alumni, partners and affiliates of the CGH. The interactive research map displayed below is an ongoing project to visualize the existing partnerships, projects and research activities in the Global South affiliated with the CGH.

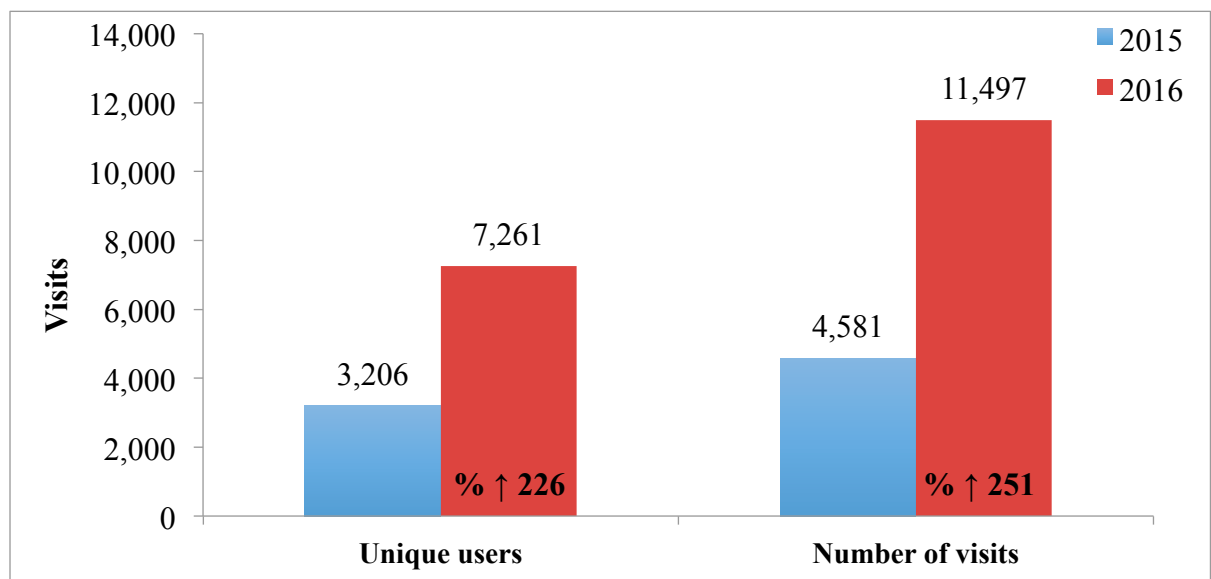


**Map of the UiO Global Health related projects in countries of the Global South**  
(colours reflect projects within the different signatory areas)

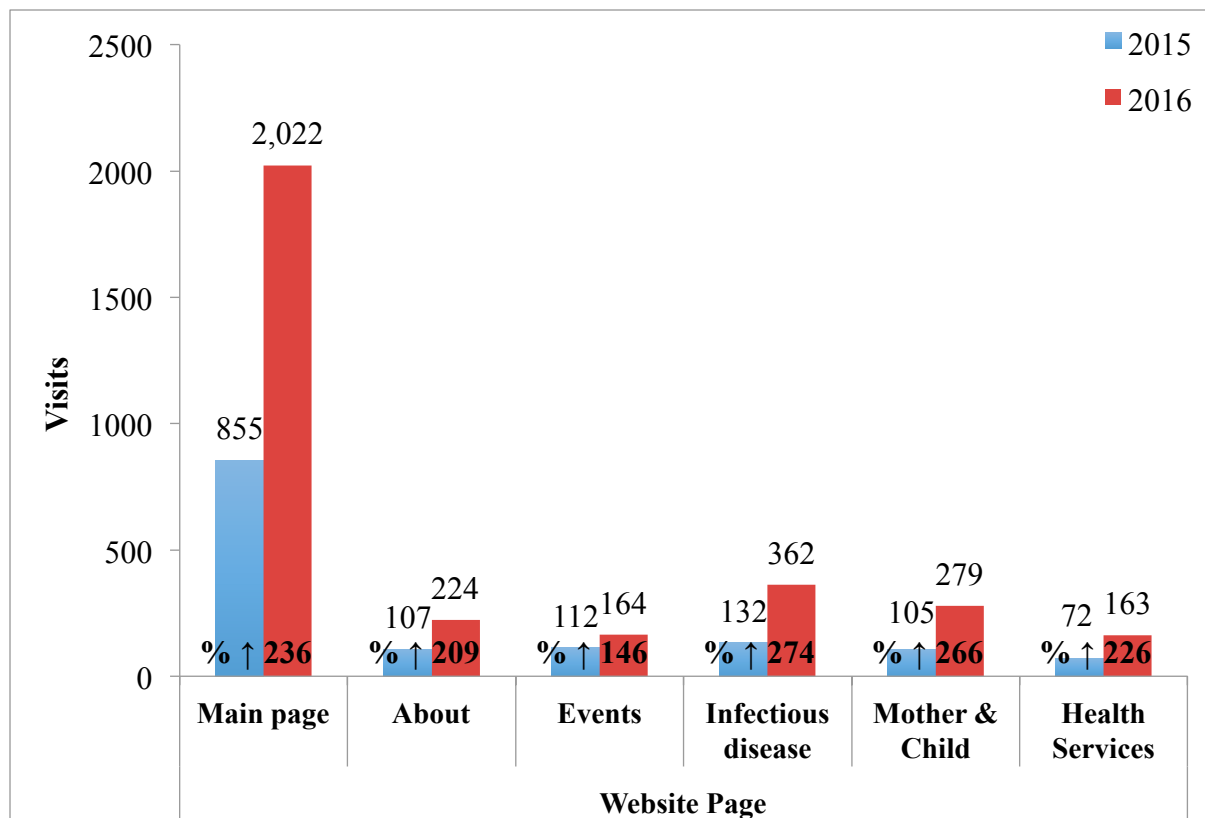
## Internet visibility from 2015 to 2016

The CGH's Internet activities have been steadily growing throughout the year as visualized in figures 1 and 2.

**Figure 1: Centre for Global Health Internet visibility 2015 vs 2016 (total)**



**Figure 2:** Centre for Global Health Internet visibility 2015 vs 2016 (by website page)



## Events and seminars for 2016

The CGH has expanded on its events relating to Global Health at the UiO, both independently and in collaboration with other departments at the UiO and other institutions. A contact list for people receiving invitations to events and activities, and other news has been established, expanding (from 74) to 400 contacts by December 2016. Table 2 gives an overview on the variety of events organized and hosted by the CGH in 2016.



**Image:** Anbjørg Kolaas; open guest lecture with Dr. Ezekiel Emmanuel

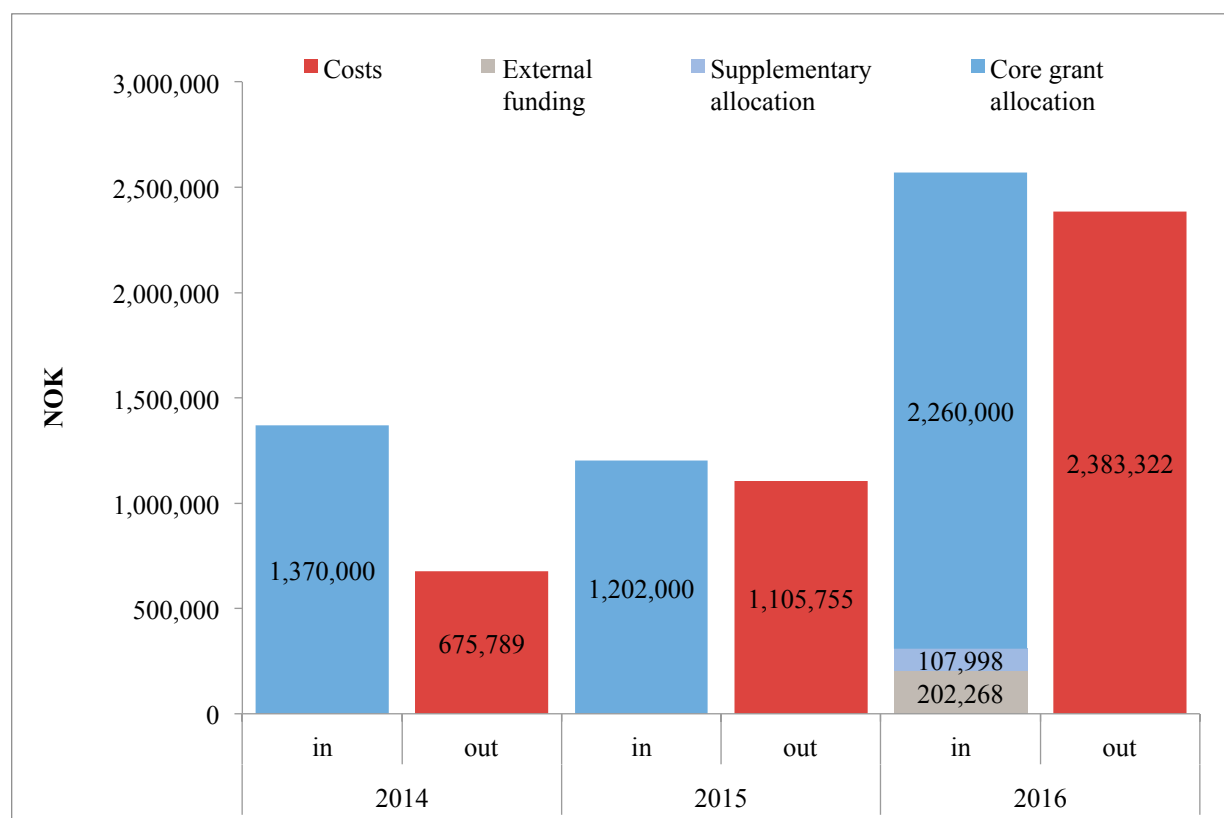
**Table 2.** Events hosted by the Centre for Global Health in 2016

2016 event	Title	Date	Type	Attendants
<b>Andrea S. Winkler, EU-COST Action Network – CYSTINET, Centre for Global Health, Institute of Health and Society, UiO</b>	Meeting for the Development of Neurocysticercosis Management Guidelines	26/4/16	workshop	25
<b>Sanjoy Bhattacharya, Centre for Global Health Histories, University of York</b>	The World Health Organization as Developed Country Largesse: Historical Events, Metropolitan Fantasies or Historiographical Tyranny?	26/4/16	seminar	20
<b>Flemming Konradsen, Copenhagen School of Global Health, University of Copenhagen</b>	Prevention of Pesticide Self-Harm and Suicide - Public Health Strategies from Community to International Level	7/6/16	seminar	15
<b>Gorik Ooms, Institute of Public Health, University of Heidelberg</b>	The New Health SDG: Drifting Between Global Health Security and Global Health Justice	22/6/16	seminar	28
<b>Ezekiel J. Emanuel, Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy, University of Pennsylvania</b>	The Ethics of Testing Second Best Treatments in Developing Countries	23/8/16	seminar	40
<b>Andrea S. Winkler, Centre for Global Health, Institute of Health and Society, UiO</b>	NORPART Workshop for Proposal Development	29/8/16	workshop	12
<b>Ilona Kickbusch, Global Health Centre, The Graduate Institute Geneva</b>	Polio Eradication: Balancing Resilience and Legacy	2/9/16	conference	50
<b>Benedikte V. Lindskog/ Johanne Sundby, Centre for Global Health, Institute of Health and Society, UiO</b>	Im/migration and Reproductive Health: Work Meeting	29/9/16	workshop	8
<b>James Sejvar, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases, US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</b>	Neurologic Manifestations of Zika Virus	16/11/16	seminar	cancelled
<b>Suraj Thapa, Research Group on Traumatic Stress, Forced Migration and Global Mental Health, Institute of Clinical Medicine, UiO</b>	Global Mental Health: Challenges and Opportunities	8/12/16	conference	40

## 2014 - 2016 budget overview

The CGH is mainly supported by a core grant from the Faculty of Medicine. A supplementary sum was granted to support the CGH's start-up and operating costs in 2016. External funds were received as seed money and in support of an article series headed by the CGH and were provided by the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD).

**Figure 3.** Funding and spending of the Centre for Global Health between 2014 and 2016





## Implementation

### Core Group

The CGH's day-to-day activities are run by a core group that consists of the Director, Professor Andrea S. Winkler, and the Coordinator, Ms. Ingeborg Haavardsson, with support from the Deputy Director, Professor Johanne Sundby and the Special Advisor to the CGH, Professor Christoph Gradmann.



**Prof. Andrea S. Winkler**

**Ms. Ingeborg  
Haavardsson**

**Prof. Johanne Sundby**

**Prof. Christoph  
Gradmann**

### Technical Advisory Group

Each signatory theme has a leader who functions as the liaison between the CGH core group and the research activities at UiO. The leaders form a Technical Advisory Group that together with Winkler and Haavardsson meets a couple of times per year. The leadership post for the signatory theme group one-health was temporarily covered by Winkler in 2016.



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Global mental health



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Margarita Dyrhol  
Riise**  
Infectious disease

**Prof. Nanna Lien**  
Nutrition

**Prof. Johanne  
Sundby**  
Mother and child  
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**Prof. Christoph  
Gradmann**  
Education in global  
health

## Steering Committee

The CGH is led by a Steering Committee that can make strategic decisions based on majority rule. The Steering Committee meets twice a year.



**Prof. Frode Vartdal**  
Dean, Faculty of Medicine, UiO  
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**Prof. Flemming Konradsen**  
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**Prof. Camilla Stoltenberg**  
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Deputy: **Dr. Bjørn Gunnar Iversen**  
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## Support staff

An administrative group of part-time support staff provides technical and administrative assistance to ensure the smooth running of the CGH. In addition the CGH is relying on administrative resources not directly linked to the CGH, but made available by the Faculty of Medicine and the UiO.



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