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Dear Prof. Fehr,

The RHN Secretariat deeply appreciates the invitation to take part to the Workshop on "Regional Health Policy – Promoting equity in spite of cross-currents?" to be held in Bochum on 13-14 September 2010.

We wish to congratulate you and your colleagues for the fine program, for its rich content and for the excellent speakers. The themes are particularly important for Regional policy and they are timely. They are a current concerns in Regional work and should be more present on the political agendas of our Regions. Furthermore, these types of meetings that favour comparisons and exchanges offer the best value for benchmarking and mutual support for a more sustainable impact.

It is with great regret that the Secretariat cannot take part to this important workshop because of previous important engagements. You may know that, from 13 to 16 September 2010, the Sixtieth Session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe will takes place in Moscow and I had committed to participate to this event.

Nevertheless, we wish to send our best greetings to the Political representatives, the speakers, the participants and to the organizers congratulating each one and wishing everyone a very successful participation to the event and a rewarding time in Bochum, which we will miss.



Meanwhile, may we ask you kindly to provide us with the presentations and any other documents coming from the workshop that we can share with the other Regions of the Network that could not participate to this important meeting so that others can benefit from the work done in Bochum.

Finally, we wish thank you for your superb scientific work, for your innovative contribution to Regional policy and, mainly, for your strong support of RHN and of its Secretariat.

Most sincerely,

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