



Aletta in 2022

The corona crisis has sparked much engagement with public health at international, domestic as well as local levels. Aletta fully embodies this movement, fostering research and education in public health at the University of Groningen, UMCG and higher education in the northern provinces. It acts as an important catalyst for putting public health research insights into practice.

The year 2022 was very eventful for Aletta. In addition to smaller events, it organised two research meet-ups which were well attended and had a worthwhile spinoff. Another highlight was the Health Festival in Leeuwarden, which attracted 1000 visitors from all over the north.

In September 2022, Aletta witnessed a change in leadership, with Jochen Mierau leaving the organisation and Brigit Toebes taking his position as the new scientific director. This switch was marked by a public health impact event recognising the valuable insights gained by Aletta in making a difference for public health.

With this transition, we continue with all the good insights that we have gained so far. Health capability remains an important foundation for all our activities. It is our marker for fostering sound public health policies, grounded in public health goals and outcomes.

Looking back, we realise that the year 2022 has been another pivotal year for Aletta. We will continue to strive for public health with our vibrant team. The new building at Grote Markt ('House of Connections') will offer many opportunities for organising worthwhile activities in the years to come.

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