Short information on

**DPPHSS summer course in Epidemiology and Biostatistics**

**June 20-29, 2022**

A group of 13 PhD students and Supervising Professors from 2 Armenian (**Yerevan State Medical University, Yerevan State University**) and 2 Georgian Universities (**Tbilisi State University, University of Georgia**) took part in the summer course on Epidemiology and Biostatistics at University of Gothenburg, Sweden. The summer course was implemented under the umbrella of the “Doctoral Programmes in Public Health and Social Sciences” ERASMUS+ programme funded by the European Union.

The 10-days course (June 20-29) was designed and moderated by the founder of the School of Public Health and Community Medicine at University of Gothenburg, director of the National Swedish Data Service (SND), Professor in Biostatistics **Max Petzold** and Associate Professor, Senior University Lecturer in Global Public Health, School of Public Health and Community Medicine, Sahlgrenska Academy of the University of Gothenburg **Laith Hussain-Alkhateeb**. In the frames of the course, the participants had an opportunity to participate the guest lecture on WHO’s mandate in the area of global estimates on maternal and pregnancy-related deaths, which was delivered by the Technical Officer in the Department of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Research at WHO, PhD Student at the University of Gothenburg **Ann-Beth Möller.**

The course was comprised of lectures on Epidemiology and Biostatistics, individual and group exercises using STATA packages and, also readings, debate and hand-on data sessions and consultations with active involvement of course participants.

The well-organized and interesting **Social and Cultural Programme** followed the training sessions. It enriched the knowledge of course participants about Swedish culture, contributed to team-building and ideas exchange for the further collaboration in the fields of Education, Public Health and Social Sciences.