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FAREWELL LECTURE PROF. DR. DR. H.C. JEROME BICKENBACH

THE FUTURE OF HEALTH

THURSDAY, 24 OCTOBER 2024
17.00–18.30 | LECTURE HALL 7
UNIVERSITY OF LUCERNE

We are delighted to invite you to Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Jerome Bickenbach's farewell lecture:

THE FUTURE OF HEALTH

With his extensive academic background in philosophy and law, Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. **Jerome Bickenbach** has made groundbreaking contributions to the conceptual foundations of health, functioning, and rehabilitation sciences. Most notably, he is the scientific mind behind the development of the WHO's International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health (ICF), introduced in 2001, which has become a cornerstone in global health practices. Throughout his career, Professor Bickenbach's work has consistently engaged with fundamental philosophical and sociological issues, particularly the definition of disability, its relationship to health, and conceptions of justice for people with disabilities. Recognizing the importance of connecting research to practice, Bickenbach has also been a pioneer in the building and implementation of the „learning health system,“ which aims to improve health systems' responsiveness to the diverse needs of populations, including individuals with spinal cord injuries. His longstanding commitment to health sciences is reflected in his early involvement with the Master's program in Health Sciences at the University of Lucerne in 2013, and in 2020, the university recognized his vast contributions by awarding him an honorary doctorate in Health Sciences.

THE PRESENTATION WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A PANEL DISCUSSION

Participants: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Jerome Bickenbach, Prof. Dr. Gerold Stucki,
Prof. Dr. Carla Sabariego, Dr. Sarah Mantwill

Moderation: Prof. Dr. Sara Rubinelli

After the presentation and the panel discussion, you are cordially invited to an aperitif riche.

**The event is open to the public and free of charge.
The Lecture and the panel will be held in English.**

All participants are requested to register online by 17 October.

Registration: www.unilu.ch/gmf-bickenbach

