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**ROUND-TABLE 1: ON HEALTH MATTERS, HOW ARE WE? The health surveys**

**COMMUNICATION 2: *The need of enlargements of the national sample***

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## **SUMMARY**

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The need of information on health: the focus on determinants needs an integrated information system which should be able to respond to this need and that should be useful for a public health based on evidence.

In Aragón we consider as a strategy the development of health information systems the alliances with other governments, inside which the cooperation Agreement for the enlargement of the “ENS 2006” sample it’s framed.

The targets we think about are:

- To analyze the existence of inequities, as social as territorial ones.
- To identify the priorities of action in the local and healthcare fields.
- To evaluate the trend of the main indicators and the impact which over it have the deeds and strategies.

Results: the preliminary results of the “ENS 2006” in Aragón can be consulted in the next web address: <http://www.saludpublicaaragon.es/>

Evaluation and conclusions: availability of data as for directing health policies as with the aim of identifying regional and local main concerns.

It’ll also allow us to value the impact of those policies in order to diminish the disparities on the access to healthcare services and the achievement of positive environments for health.

Hardships for adding Aragón priorities as in the matter of the Survey as in the design and the making of the same investigation.

Troubles in the implementation of the agreement: the coordination tools have not worked properly.