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The AEMH was established in 1963 because the founder organizations considered *“With regard to the revolutionary development of hospitals and the establishment of new positions and services in hospitals, the interests of senior hospital physicians in responsible positions will not be sufficiently discussed in already existing organisations.”* (quote from the minutes of the first meeting)

Almost 50 years after, this remains the motivation of our organisation by providing a European platform for hospital physicians, which develops and maintains a spirit of cooperation and communication among its national member delegations. One of our main aims is to encourage the exchange of ideas and experiences and the discussion among doctors, patients and politicians with the major objective of promoting health and improving patient safety.

Hospital management based on quality and safety with a larger involvement of doctors are therefore, together with working conditions, training and CME/CPD the core values of the AEMH.

The role of the President and the Board is to uphold, respect and promote this fundament outwards. The 1st European Hospital Conference, which took place in Düsseldorf last November in connection with MEDICA, the world's biggest and most important healthcare exhibition and the upcoming 8th Annual World Health Care Congress Europe in Amsterdam, are privileged grounds to achieve this. But we also take each opportunity in meetings with other European stakeholders to defend the interests of hospital physicians.

Inside the AEMH we have to motivate more delegates to get involved in the activities. Communication and interaction between the annual meetings need to be improved. We will provide a toolset via a new designed state-of-the-art website including the possibility for blogs and fora to discuss and share information, debate on relevant topics, alert on abuses and state-of-affairs. This will also enable us to address an audience beyond the framework of our organisation.

But concepts and tools are nothing without the human assets to orchestrate them. We have all necessary expertise amongst us, let us compose together the partition of the future of the AEMH.