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Draft Minutes
67th AEMH Board/ Executive Committee meeting
 23 November 2013, 9:00 -12:00

Venue : **HYATT REGENCY Cologne , Kennedy-Ufer 2a, DE – 50679 Köln**
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Participants:

Joao de Deus, President
 Thomas Zilling, 1st Vice-president
 Hrvoje Sobat, Treasurer
 Catherine Hartmann, EU Policy Adviser
 Brigitte Jencik, Secretary

Excused:

Mikulas Buzgo, 2nd Vice-president
 Vlad Tica, 3rd Vice-president

The president opened the session and wished the participants welcomed. It was decided to keep the heading Board/ Executive Committee meeting.

1. Approval of the Agenda

B. Jencik asked to add the topic of the Domus Medica to the agenda as there seem to be new developments. It seems appropriate at point 8.

T. Zilling asked to discuss UEMS exchange programmes at point 6: EMO collaboration.
 The agenda was approved.

**2. Review, and analysis of the outcome and follow up of the
 2nd Joint European Hospital Conference**

The general impression of the 2nd conference was that it was better organised, and more interesting than the 1st. The audience was less numerous, but more focused. Good contact with Andrej Rys from the European Commission. The president had a good feed-back on his presentation on centres of excellence.

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the 66th AEMH Board Meeting
 Paris 23rd May 2013**

[AEMH 13-059](#)

The minutes were approved.

4. President's Report, Joao de Deus

a) AEMH Activity Report 2013

[AEMH 13-068](#)

The report reflects a fruitful year with a successful conference and plenary meeting, resulting in two important statements. C. Hartmann informed that the "European Hospital Physicians Declaration" has been sent to people of the commission. The president informed that FEMS had endorsed it at their past general assembly. The Statement on Regulation of Training and CPD is also an important document.

b) Moscow 31 May/ 1 June "Efficient Hospital Management"

[AEMH 13-022](#)

The president addressed a big but essentially Russian audience. His presentation on Clinical involvement in hospital management was well received and resulted in an invitation to St Petersburg to give the same presentation in February 2014.

- c) IDC's Pan-European Healthcare Executive Summit 2013 **“3 Forces of Healthcare Change: Personalization, Integration and Industrialization”** [AEMH 13-023](#)
Luton, 10-11 September 2013 (Advisory Board and Panel Moderator)
The summit was about Integration between primary and secondary care, J. De Deus gave the Portuguese experience. He was invited also for next year's summit.

5. Other Activities

- EAHP (European Association of Hospital Pharmacists) invitation to a **“High level meeting on the reduction of medication errors in hospital through the practice of bedside scanning”**, Leuven/ Belgium, 14 October 2013, attendance and report Tony Bertrand [AEMH13-069](#)
no further discussion

- COST Action Final conference, University Leeds 21 November 2013
“Enhancing the role of medicine in the management of European health systems”
Attendance and Involvement in WG on “Control'/ clinical management” by Thomas Zilling

T. Zilling attended the meeting two days before. He was invited by Ellen Kuhlmann to participate in her working group and to give a brief comment on the research carried 'Control'/ clinical management. A lot of information and publications gave a clear message “doctors involvement is beneficial”. T. Zilling regretted that there were no doctors in the audience.

J. De Deus thanked T. Zilling for his commitment in this important topic for AEMH. More and more publications show the evidence that doctors involvement in management is beneficial even when analyzing the financial results.

T. Zilling reported that concerning web-based training on management can only address general aspects on economics and management, not specifically hospital management as hospitals are run in very different ways.

Forecast 2014

-Support of the **“Action Day”** initiated by FEMS, 15 May 2014 [Press Release](#)

It was decided that the document would be sent out the AEMH delegations together with a letter and proposal by the board.

-EAHP (European Association of Hospital Pharmacists) [European Summit of Hospital Pharmacy, 14-15 May 2014](#) in Brussels. Commencement of the [Delphi process](#) consultation with EAHP Member Associations and organisations representing the patient and healthcare professional perspective on [EAHP Statements on Hospital Pharmacy](#)

J. De Deus had accepted the invitation to attend the summit. In the meantime we received an invitation to participate also in a survey which outcome would be revealed at the meeting. C. Hartmann advised that if AEMH feels concerned the survey it should be answered by a doctor, as the questions are more technical than political. Having a very tight schedule in May, J. De Deus proposed to answer the survey, but as to the attendance he would like to depute. It was decided to ask Tony Bertrand to represent AEMH.

6. EMO Collaboration

a) AEMH attendance at meetings of sister EMOs

FEMS, PORTO 4-5 October 2013,

Joao de Deus reported from the General Assembly and the pre-conference on crossborder healthcare with Portuguese politicians. Furthermore FEMS GA approved unanimously the application for observer status of the Dutch Medical Trade Union. They endorsed unanimously the AEMH Statement "**European Hospital Physicians Declaration**". FEMS adopted a motion on the medical situation in Croatia.

UEMS, Paris 17-19 October 2013, Joao de Deus

UEMS accepted Croatia and Iceland as full members and is now the only EMO, which counts all 28 EU and the EEA countries as members. Morocco applied for observer status.

T. Zilling questioned about the UEMS proposal to establish an exchange programme for doctors based on the Erasmus model, which would be highly beneficial for postgraduate training and CME/CPD. C. Hartmann wondered whether this would not compete the HOPE exchange programme, which runs successfully for years.

EJD, Heidelberg 9 November 2013, Hrvoje Sobat

[AEMH 13-075](#)

H. Sobat reported that EJD sends delegates to all UEMS specialty sections. EJD has sound finances. They have launched the European Medical Mobility (EMM) project to facilitate training in the medical field through a online database.

CPME, Bucharest 22-23 November 2013, attendance Vlad Tica

b) EMO Presidents' Committee, Heidelberg 10 November 2013

Attendance Hrvoje Sobat

EMO Document on "Patients Safety and Quality of Care in times of crisis" was discussed and approved. There was a big discussion on the "WMA junior doctors network", which sounds official, but is only a private initiative.

The standardization of medical services was discussed and the CEN conference on "Improving quality and safety of healthcare", which will take place in Brussels 6 December. Dr Montgomery (for CPME and the German Med. Chamber) and Enrico Reginato for FEMS will attend the meeting. All agreed that labs and material can be standardized, but not clinical procedures. Instead of legislation, recommendations or guidelines are more appropriate.

C. Hartmann will attend the conference on behalf of AEMH.

7. European Affairs and Activity Report

[AEMH 13-073](#)

by European Policy Adviser, Catherine Hartmann
C. Hartman highlighted the main points of her activity report.

8. AEMH Office

Past, Present and Future

[AEMH 13-029](#)

Structure, Tasks and Duties European Liaison Office

[AEMH 12-082](#)

Evaluation of current structure: The current structure is satisfactory.

Defining the profile of the new secretary and timetable for recruitment
(Potential candidate ? : [Margaret Walker](#) ?) C. Hartmann informed that Margaret is not available anymore.

The profile is defined by the job description. If possible, a self-employed secretary.
Recruitment should take place in March, B. Jencik intending to end her career in May.
One month is budgeted for double occupation for the hand-over. B. Jencik informed that FEMS might want to continue the collaboration with her, but she thinks that it would be wiser to keep up the collaboration of a joint secretariat. This will depend on the person we will recruit.

In the meantime UEMS has sent information about the Domus Medica, which will finally open in Spring, the board of UEMS has invited the presidents of the EMOs to a specific meeting in Brussels in January/ February 2014. It might be wise to wait on their financial and organisational proposal before launching any recruitment campaign, as common staff was an option for collaboration within in the Domus medica.

9. Financial Reports by AEMH-treasurer Dr. Sobat

Interim Report on accounts 2013

[AEMH 13-074](#)

The interim report had arrived shortly before the meeting. It confirms the positive trend of the past years and backs the decision not to increase the membership fee for 2014. The question of investment of the savings which amount covers now widely the one year operational costs was raised. The BIL (former DEXIA) did not make any proposal for a safe and profitable contract.

10. AEMH Conference 2014 – Title (Patients Safety ?)

[Luxembourg Declaration](#)

T. Zilling informed that all organisational arrangements have been settled. For the conference he proposed to add “anti-microbiological diseases” in order to enlarge the interest and potential sponsors.

Potential speakers: EFPIA R. Bergström ([“Sunshine Act”](#))

PASQ (the European Union Network for Patient Safety and Quality of Care)

ECDC (the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control), head office Stockholm.

67th AEMH Plenary Meeting

50th Anniversary of the [WMA Helsinki Declaration](#)

[AEMH 13-053](#)

T. Zilling announced that interpreters are very expensive in Sweden and it might after all be useful to contact the Austrian interpreters who proposed again their services. B. Jencik reminded that we have to cover accommodation and full board. We will compare the different options and then decide.

11. International meeting Calendar [International EMOs' Calendar](#)

		Attendance AEMH
08/02/2014 Catania (Italy)	AEMH-FEMS Board Meeting	all
28/02/2014 Brussels (Belgium)	UEMS CME Conference	T/ Zilling, D. De Deus
13- 14/03/2014 Belgrade (Serbia)	EFMA/WHO-Europe Forum	H. Sobat
04- 05/04/2014 Brussels (Belgium)	CPME Board and GA	J. De Deus
09- 11/04/2014 Luxembourg	Med-e-tel 2014	R. Lies
11- 12/04/2014 Brussels (Belgium)	UEMS General Assembly	T. Zilling
24- 26/04/2014 Tokyo (Japan)	197th WMA Council session	
09-10 May 2014, Gorizia/ Nova Gorica (Italy/ Slovenia)	FEMS GA	T. Zilling (speaker), J.de Deus
09- 10/05/2014 Debrecen (Hungary)	EJD Spring Meeting 2014	H. Sobat
15 May 2014 all over Europe	ACTION DAY	
14-15/05/2014 Brussels (Belgium)	EAHP Summit	T. Bertrand
29- 31/05/2014 Stockholm (Sweden)	AEMH Conference and 67th Plenary Meeting	all
October 2014	FEMS 50 th Anniversary GA	
17- 18/10/2014 (tbc)	UEMS General Assembly	T. ZILLING
14- 15/11/2014 Budapest (Hungary)	CPME Board and GA	J. De Deus
Strasbourg (France) - date to follow	EJD Autumn Meeting 2014	H. Sobat
2015 Vienna (Austria) - date to follow	EJD Spring Meeting 2015	
10- 11/04/2015 Brussels (Belgium)	UEMS General Assembly	
16- 17/10/2015 Warsaw (Poland)	UEMS General Assembly	
2015 Norway	EJD Autumn Meeting 2015	

12. Next Board Meeting : 8 February 2014 in Catania/ Sicily/ Italy
9:00 – 12:30 AEMH Board internal matters
14:00 – 17:00 Joint AEMH-FEMS Board meeting

13. Any other business

J. de Deus has received a proposal to collaborate in a magazine “Health Management” and asked on comments. It could be use to publish AEMH policies.