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Continuing Professional Development (CPD)/Continuing
Medical Education (CME)

DRAFT Minutes of 1st Preparatory Meeting, 14 January 2015,
13.00h-16.00h

Brussels, CPME offices, Rue Guimard 15, 1040 Brussels

Participants

Organisation	President /Vice president or their substitute	Secretary General/Deputy Secretary General or their substitute	Other representatives
European Association of Senior Hospital Doctors (AEMH)			Dr Thomas Zilling Ms Diana Voicu
Conseil European des Ordres des Médecins (CEOM)	Dr Nicolino D'Autilia		Dr Reiner Brettenthaler Mr Davide Martinelli Mr Vincent Caron
Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME)	Dr Katrín Fjeldsted		Ms Sarada Das
European Working Group of Practitioners and Specialists in Free Practice (EANA)	-	-	-
European Junior Doctors (EJD)	Dr Carsten Mohrhardt		
European Medical Students Association (EMSA)			Ms Kristina Mickevičiūtė
European Federation of Salaried Doctors (FEMS)	Dr Enrico Reginato		Ms Diana Voicu
European Union of General Practitioners (UEMO)	-	-	-
European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS)		Mr Bertrand Daval	

Agenda

- Discussion on conference agenda/speakers

- proposals for conference structure
- proposals for speakers/chairpersons/rapporteurs
- Discussion on re-affirmation of Joint Policy Statement on Continuing Medical Education (CME) and Continuing Professional Development (CPD)
 - review of 2006 Consensus Statement (please see attachment)
 - discussion of draft Joint Policy Statement 2015, prepared by Dr Zilling (please see attachment)
 - discussion on drafting process
- Discussion on conference logistics/resources

Minutes

Dr Katrín Fjeldsted opened the meeting and gave a brief overview of the background to the proposed conference, referring to the initial proposals put forward by AEMH, EJD and FEMS and the meeting of the EMOs' conference taskforce in Paris and Budapest in 2014.

- Discussion on conference agenda/speakers

Dr Thomas Zilling shared the background to the initial proposal for a joint conference, referring to the successful conference in 2006. He proposed to re-affirm the 2006 consensus statement, up-dated with the newest evidence on CPD, to showcase a joint vision of all EMOs on CPD as a response to the most recent policy developments. In this context the CPD mapping study commissioned by DG SANCO was highlighted.

Dr Fjeldsted presented the proposal to contact the Luxembourg ministry of health and the European Commission with a request to support the conference, i.a. by providing meeting facilities free of charge. To this end a letter has been drafted. Meeting participants reviewed the letter and agreed that the letter should be sent by the CPME President on behalf of all EMOs. The European Commission shall also be approached with a request for support, with a letter referring to the broader policy discussion on CPD in the context of the European Commission's activities on health workforce policy.

Dr Zilling presented his ideas for possible topics for the conference and relevant speakers (see email below). Meeting participants discussed the suggestions. In terms of topics discussion questions such as the link between CPD and patient outcomes or self-regulation in CPD were considered. Data on CPD structures, such as voluntary/mandatory CPD, consequences of compliance was also debated. As regards speakers, it was pointed out that representatives of the EMOs could be a preferred option as speakers to ensure the relevance of their presentation to participants. On the other hand it was acknowledged that external speakers can share additional expertise, as well as strengthening the academic merit of the event. It was agreed to research speaker options and collect information, including speakers' backgrounds for further decisions. It was also acknowledged that the possible partners, i.e. the Luxembourg Presidency and the European Commission, may wish to comment on the agenda, which should be taken into account.

It was discussed how the European dimension is reflected in the conference, in light of the emphasis on the national level competence in CPD/CME in discussions. It was agreed that despite the national differences in this area, the benefits of European cooperation in terms of exchange of good practice and evolution of CPD/CME should be highlighted. There would also be the opportunity to reflect on the recommendations of the CPD mapping study, which can further allow for European-level debate.

- Discussion on draft Joint Statement on Continuing Medical Education (CME) and Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

The meeting participants reviewed the draft statement prepared by Dr Zilling. Dr Zilling reiterated that a joint statement would send a strong message to the policy discussion on CPD/CME. He recommended focusing on key issues to keep the overall length short. The draft statement intends to communicate that the existence of national difference in approach is not problematic, while guiding principles shall be respected by all systems and European cooperation provides added value. It was agreed that all EMOs are invited to send their comments on the draft statement to revise the text, which shall be presented for discussion at the next meeting. It was furthermore agreed that the drafting process shall be timed to allow for all EMOs' Boards to approve the joint statement.

- Discussion on conference logistics/resources

Meeting participants addressed the question of which EMO would take on the lead on the conference's logistic organisation. Dr Zilling proposed that CPME take on this task. CPME accepted to take on the lead of logistic organisation. EMSA offered to support CPME in the organisation, in particular through the permanent officer to CPME. AEMH and FEMS also offered to participate in the organisation of the conference.

Meeting participants were provided with a draft budget estimate with scenarios for 100 to 300 conference attendants. It was explained that the budget is based on the assumption that the Luxembourg Ministry for Health would agree to provide meeting rooms free of charge. Whether additional support from either the Luxembourg ministry or the European Commission can be secured is currently being established. Mr Bertrand Daval reported that UEMS had in the past organised successful events which required a participation fee of approx. 50 EUR per person. This was discussed as a possible alternative source of financing for the conference. It was agreed that on the basis of the responses from both the Ministry of Health and the European Commission, a decision on the financing of the conference will be taken at the next meeting, which shall take place in context of the joint AEMH/FEMS/EJD meetings in Vienna in May 2015.

Dr Fjeldsted thanked all participants for their contribution and closed the meeting.

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Action points:

- CPME to consolidate letter and send to LU Minister for Health on behalf of all EMOs
- CPME to contact European Commission to request support

- All EMOs to send suggestions for conference agenda and speakers to sarada.das@cpme.eu by 4 March
- All EMOs to send comments on the draft consensus statement to sarada.das@cpme.eu by 4 March

Questions for next meeting:

- Replies from Luxembourg Ministry of Health/European Commission
- Financing of conference
- Revised agenda and focus topics
- Revised speakers to be invited
- Revised consensus statement

Next meeting:

- Vienna, 10 May 2015