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AEMH Activity Report 2014

The year 2013 was a special, as it marked the 50th anniversary of the AEMH. The organization 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 organizations.”* (Quote from the minutes of the first meeting).

50 years later, this remains the motivation of the AEMH 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 and CME/CPD the core values of the AEMH.

AEMH Conference 2014

This year’s pre plenary conference explored [“Patient’s Safety- Antimicrobial Resistance”](#) . Among the topics for discussion were;

- the global public health threat of [antibiotic resistance](#)
- the [perspective](#) of the pharmaceutical industry
the [perspective](#) of European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control
- the increase of [patients safety](#)
 - by state-of-the-art planning the [hospital of the future](#)
 - by improvement of settings and systems
 - by clinical leadership

67th AEMH Plenary Meeting

The conference was attended by AEMH national delegates as well as by representatives of other European Medical Organizations. The presidents and representatives of CPME, FEMS and UEMS exposed their activities to the delegates of the AEMH.

AEMH held two parallel working groups:

1. Continuing Professional Development, chaired by Dr. Thomas Zilling
2. Clinical Leadership, chaired by Dr. Vlad Tica

Internal Matters

AEMH held elections for 2nd and 3rd Vice-Presidents; Prof. Vlad Tica, Rumania, was elected as 2nd Vice-President and Dr. Pierre-François Cuénoud, Switzerland, was elected as 3rd Vice-President for the term 2015-2016. Dr. Stefano Reggiani, Italy, was re-elected internal auditor.

Policies

The AEMH opposes mandatory CME/CPD and revalidation. Educational activities should be assessed by the profession. The statement reminds the European consensus statement on CPD adopted in Luxembourg 14 December 2006 and endorsed by all European Medical Organisation and the European Commission "CPD Improving Healthcare Quality, ensuring Patients Safety".

Besides CME/CPD, AEMH intends to focus on Clinical Leadership in the near future, to the same aim of achieving increased EU visibility. This is also sought for while pursuing common activities and actions with the European Commission.

External activities

Conference "**Modernisation of the Professional Qualifications Directive**", Brussels, February 12, 2014, attended by Catherine Hartmann [AEMH 14-010](#)

2nd International congress of Medical Cooperation in Cardiology, co-organized with the Russian Society of Cardiology, St. Petersburg, February 16th to 19th 2014.
AEMH-President João de Deus gave a lecture on "Doctor's involvement in hospital management – patient's safety and quality of care"

Med-e-Tel Conference of the International Society for Telemedicine & e-Health, April 9-11, 2014 Luxembourg, attended by Dr Raymond Lies

Clinical Risk and Professional Liability, April 12, Modena, Italy. Conference organized by FNOMCeO. Invited speaker 1st Vice President Thomas Zilling giving an insight on the Swedish vision and experience on clinical risk and professional liability.

The Doctor's Working Conditions in Europe, May 8, Gorizia, Italy. International conference arranged by FEMS in collaboration with ANAAO, ASSOMED. Invited speaker 1st Vice President Thomas Zilling, talking about Task shifting, [a threat or a possibility](#).

EAHP Summit, May 14-15. 2014 Brussels, attended by Dr Tony Bertrand ([AEMH 14-037](#))

Meeting with Commissioner Tonio Borg

As a follow-up by FEMS on the Action Day of European Doctors (May 15, 2014), AEMH President, Dr. Joao De Deus met Commissioner Tonio Borg ([meeting report](#)), at the invitation of Dr. Enrico Reginato, FEMS President.

Technical Workshop: Continuous Professional Development Health Professionals in EU, European Commission, Health and Consumers Directorate-General, Healthcare Systems Unit, June 20, Brussels. Attended by 1st Vice President Thomas Zilling.

IDC Pan-European Healthcare 2014 Executive Summit, London 9-10 September 2014

AEMH President João de Deus made a presentation on "**The Future Healthcare Provider Will Have to Balance Patient Safety and Efficient Management: A Cultural and Organizational Change Challenge**"

Next meetings

May 2015 – 2nd Joint Plenary Assembly AEMH - FEMS in Austria on invitation of the Austrian Medical Chamber

Reminder: The 1st joint meeting of AEMH and FEMS took place in Varna, Bulgaria in May 2012 on invitation of the Bulgarian Medical Association. The delegates of both organizations evaluated the meeting for 88 % over all very well/ good and 90 % were in favor of future joint meetings of AEMH and FEMS.