






**AEMH Conference 2008  
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Speakers' list

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| <b>Dr Hrvoje Minigo</b>   |   |
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| <b>Dr Raymond Lies</b>  |   |
|  | <p>Raymond Lies trained as General Surgeon in France and Germany and has been practicing his profession since 1976. He defends the position of hospital physicians since 1992 and has represented the Luxembourgian hospital physicians within the Union of the AMMD (Association of Physicians and Dentists of Luxembourg) and as delegate of Luxembourg within the AEMH (European Association of Hospital Physicians) whose President he is since 1998.</p> <p>Dr. Lies chaired from 1992 to 2003 the Foundation in charge to build a new hospital in Luxembourg, which opened in July 2003. Currently he is the Medical and General Director of the Kirchberg Hospital in Luxembourg (450 beds). He is also Vice-President of the Board of the INCCI (Institut de Chirurgie Cardiaque et de Cardiologie Interventionnelle).</p>  |
| <b>Dr Hrvoje Šobat</b>  |   |
|  | <p>Hrvoje Šobat , M.D., Ph.D. was born on 16 October 1961 in Zagreb. He studied medicine at the School of Medicine, Zagreb University. Thereafter he continued his training and obtained a specialist degree in radiotherapy and oncology in 1995. He continued his studies at London School of Economics and Political Sciences and was awarded an International Diploma in Health Services Management. In 1997 he became secretary general of the Croatian Medical Association and national delegate to AEMH and UEMS. In 2005 he was elected president of the Croatian Medical Association. He works in the University Hospital for Tumours in Zagreb as a quality manager and senior consultant in radiotherapy and oncology.</p> <p>Dr Šobat is AEMH treasurer for the term 2008-2010.</p>                                     |
| <b>Claire Herbert</b>   |   |
|  | <p>Claire Herbert is 'Head of European and International Development' at the General Medical Council, in London - the UK regulator of doctors. She has worked at the GMC for 3 years, but has over 11 years experience working in EU affairs. She began her career as a Stagiaire in the European Parliament and has also worked in UK local and regional government. In 2005 Ms Herbert undertook a short secondment to the Cabinet Office, at the heart of UK Government, based within the Better Regulation Executive. Since 2005 part of Ms Herbert's role has been to lead and manage the EU-wide Healthcare Professionals Crossing Borders partnership of professional healthcare regulators. Ms Herbert is educated to Masters Degree level in political science and also holds a professional management qualification.</p> |



**Dr Michael Wilks**



Michael Wilks worked as a family doctor in the UK from 1977 to 1992. He then specialised in clinical forensic medicine, and works as a forensic physician in London. He has been a member of the British Medical Association's Medical Ethics Committee (MEC) since 1994, and chaired the committee for nine years until September 2006.

His other work for the BMA includes a three-year term as chairman of the BMA's policy-making forum, the Representative Body, and the creation of a new BMA service for the support of doctors with health problems

Dr. Wilks is a trustee of the Sick Doctors Trust, which supports doctors with addictive disease, and chairs the Rehabilitation of Addicted Prisoners Trust (RAPt), which is the leading provider of abstinence-based treatment for addiction in UK prisons.

He has been a member of the UK delegation to the CPME since 2002, and chaired its ethics committee until December 2007.

Dr. Wilks has been elected as CPME President for the years 2008-2009..

**Professor Brian Edwards**



Brian Edwards CBE. CIHM. CBIM. Hon FRCPath. DU, is President of the European Healthcare Federation (HOPE). He is Emeritus Professor of Healthcare Development University of Sheffield. His managerial career includes Chief Executive posts of large teaching hospitals and regions of the NHS in England. Prof Edwards is member of the national NHS Executive Dean of the School of Health and Related Research. He has chaired many national bodies in the UK including the registration Council for the Professions supplementary to Medicine. Prof Edwards is Honorary Fellow Royal College of Pathology.

**Professor James Buchan**



James Buchan has more than twenty years experience of practice, consultancy and policy research on health sector human resources (HRH). His background includes periods working as a senior HR manager at national level in the NHS in the UK, and as a HRH specialist at WHO. He has worked in countries throughout Europe, Africa, South and Central America, Asia and the Western Pacific, directing policy research and consultancy projects for a broad range of clients including the World Health Organisation, the Commonwealth Secretariat, the International Council of Nurses, and OECD.

His other current appointments include: Policy Associate, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, WHO, Brussels. He is Associate Fellow at the Kings Fund, London, Visiting Professor at the University of Technology, Sydney, Australia.

**Armin Ehl**



Armin Ehl has been General Manager of the Marburger Bund, the German Association of Hospital Doctors based in Berlin, since January 01 2004. During his time in office the Marburger Bund organised the biggest strike of doctors in the history of the Federal Republic of Germany. Thus, as a member of the federal strike management of the Marburger Bund, he was the main organiser, of the strike at university hospitals and the strikes at communal hospitals which lasted for 15 weeks.

Before joining the Marburger Bund he worked for 5 years respectively as general manager and as vice president for two international development aid organisations, and for 5 years in the field of project management of the German federal armed forces.

After his Abitur (general qualification for university entrance) he studied economics and management at the Federal Armed Forces University in Hamburg.

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**Marek Szewcyński**



Marek Szewcyński is a Lawyer and has graduated at the Warsaw University, Faculty of Law and Administration. Since 2003 he works at the Polish Chamber of Physicians and Dentists in the International Co-operation and European Integration Section and since May 2004 in the Centre of Recognition of Qualifications. Mr Szewcyński's area of expertise is EU and Polish law on the healthcare professions. He speaks English, Italian and German.

**Dr Tomáš Šindler**

Tomáš Šindler, MUDr, was born in 1967 in Brno. From 1985-1991 he studied medicine at the T.G.Masaryk's University, Brno. He graduated in 1997 as a neurologist and practiced this specialty in the Hospital in Kroměříž. His hobby: is Elektromyographie (EMG). Furthermore, in 2002 Tomáš Šindler graduated in pediatrics and works since 2003 in private praxis as paediatrist. Since 2006 he is member of the Board of the Czech Medical Chamber.

**Professor Nada Cikes**



Nada Cikes has graduated and completed training in internal medicine at the University of Zagreb. She was also trained in the London Hospital Medical College and Mayo Clinic. She is teaching clinical immunology and rheumatology, fields of her interest are systemic autoimmune diseases, neuroimmunology, endemic nephropathy. Professor Cikes is head of Division of Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology, Department of Medicine, dean of the School of Medicine, University of Zagreb; member of various international associations, EULAR Standing committee for education and training, UEMS Section Rheumatology, European Board for Rheumatology, Bone and Joint Decade Global Education Task Force.

**Wim Oosterom**



Wim Oosterom worked in several functions within the Dutch government before joining PricewaterhouseCoopers in 1985 where he is currently a senior partner, leading its Global Government practice. In this role, he is responsible for all client services, business and solution development and thought leadership in this industry. For more than 12 years, he is a leader responsible for the firm wide European, Middle-East and African Government, Healthcare and Public Sector practice, advising the Dutch minister of Health, large healthcare organisations and health insurance companies across the world. He also plays a leading role in steering the research of the Health Research Institute with publications such as "HealthCast 2020", "The Wellness report" and in the Public Sector Research Centre with the recently launched flagship publication "The road ahead for public service delivery – delivering on the customer promise" and other publications like "Cities of the future – global competition, local leadership".

**Dr Tim Wilson**



Tim Wilson has seventeen years experience as a practising family doctor. In 1995 he became the youngest fellow (by assessment) of the Royal College of General Practitioners. In January 2003, he joined the Department of Health Strategy Unit as a senior policy analyst advising the Prime Minister, the Chief Medical Officer and other ministers of health on policy focussing on commissioning and primary care. He also advised on a new strategy for the purchasing and commissioning of clinical services, on how to optimise contracting for high quality and more recently on the reconfiguration of specialist services. As a team leader of clinical specialists in acute trusts and PCTs he improves clinical performance and cost efficiency, by involving clinicians, especially senior doctors, in cost effectiveness decisions and pathway redesign. He advised numerous hospitals and purchasers on financial recovery programmes and has also led on the restructuring and integration of clinical services following merger of two of the UK's largest hospitals. Currently he is a Health Advisory Partner at PwC and a GP.