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Date: 17 September 2010
From: Secretariat CPME  
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2010 10:02 AM  
Subject: Invitation to CPME - EMOs meeting, 5 October 2010, 14.00h, Brussels  

Dear Presidents,

In order to discuss approaches to the future cooperation of the EMOs and CPME, the CPME President would like to invite you to a meeting on 5 October 2010, 14.00h. We propose the following as a draft agenda:

- Enhanced cooperation EMOs within the CPME:
  a) structure of working/expert groups
  b) Voting rights in General CPME meetings
- Domus medica
  a) Governance structure
  b) Financial/Legal implications

Should you wish to add any topics to the agenda, you are very welcome to suggest further items. It would be very kind if you could confirm your participation by 15 September 2010.

Many thanks and kind regards,

CPME Secretariat

From: UEMS - Frédéric Destrebecq  
[mailto:ceo@uems.net]  
Sent: mercredi 15 septembre 2010 12:46  
Subject: RE: Invitation to CPME - EMOs meeting, 5 October 2010, 14.00h, Brussels


Dear Dr Radziwill,
Dear Ms Beger,

Please find attached our response to the CPME’s invitation. As you will read, this response is co-signed by:
- Dr Joao De Deus, President of AEMH
- Dr Pedro Nunes, President of CEOM
- Dr Claude Wetzel, President of FEMS
- Dr Bernardo Bollen Pinto, President of PWG
- Dr Zlatko Fras, President of UEMS

Kind regards,

Frédéric Destrebecq  
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From: Secretariat CPME  
[secretariat@cpme.eu]  
Sent: 15 September 2010 15:57  
Subject: Invitation to CPME - EMOs meeting, 5 October 2010, 14.00h, Brussels

Dear Presidents,

Following the letter by UEMS, co-signed by AEMH, CEOM, FEMS and PWG of 14 September 2010, please note that the meeting on 5 October is cancelled.

Yours sincerely,

CPME Secretariat  
Comité Permanent des Médecins Européens  
Standing Committee of European Doctors
From: PWG President Bernardo Bollen Pinto (gmail) [bollenpinto@gmail.com]
Sent: 15 September 2010 14:05
Subject: Invitation to CPME - EMOs meeting, 5 October 2010, 14.00h, Brussels

Dear Colleagues of the EMOs

There is a small misunderstanding with this letter I need to straighten.
In La Hulpe, I was very clear to UEMS (President, SG and CEO), FEMS (President) as well as CPME (President and SG) that I fully agreed that:
- the CPME was not doing things the correct way in picturing themselves above the other EMOs
- the Porto Alliance concept was probably the way forward
- and that we are trying to take the right path for too long and a decision about the future of the Alliance should be taken before the end of 2010

But I was very clear when I told I would not sign this letter as I already committed to being present in Brussels on October 5th.
My main commitment is still trying to get everyone at the same table and around the Alliance.

Therefore, the PWG would kindly like to invite all the EMOs Presidents for a Presidents Committee meeting to take place after the PWG AM 2010. The meeting would take place on Sunday, October 31st, in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

As a preparatory work I suggest that all the EMOs reply to both the CPME and UEMS letters/questionnaires/invitations. The analysis of this information will be quite helpful in achieving the meeting's main goal: To finally understand what is the vision that each EMO has for the future collaboration among all of us and act on it.

I propose the following Agenda:
- Round table information on the model for the future collaboration among the EMOs (each EMO stating its position)
- Round table information on the position on the Domus Medica (each EMO stating its position)
- Preliminary discussion on the Porto Alliance document (what specificities among the EMOs)
- Future work to be developed
- Next meeting

Before the end of 2010 there is still time for another meeting where a final compromise could be taken.

This is time for responsibility and long-lasting compromise. It’s time for accountability to our member associations. It’s time for each EMO to clearly assume its desires and the level of commitment they are willing to take for the overall benefit of all European Doctors.

The PWG is very much looking forward to hearing from you.

With kind regards

Bernardo
Permanent Working Group of European Junior Doctors

From: Secretariat CPME [mailto:secretariat@cpme.eu]
Sent: 17 September 2010 12:29
To: CPME Members , AEMH, FEMS
Cc: Birgit Beger; Dr Pruckner; M. Wilks
Subject: Exchange of letters between CPME and AEMH, CEOM, FEMS, PWG, UEMS

Dear members,
Following the discussion in the Statutes review working group, it was held useful to have a dialogue with the EMOs on the issue of future co-operation with the CPME. Therefore, a meeting was called for the 5th October with the EMOs at the CPME premises. However, following the exchange after the invitation, the CPME cancelled the meeting for 5th October, please find attached the correspondence with regard to this meeting.

The Executive Committee at its web-meeting on 16 September decided - after having consulting Dr Brettenthaler, the chair of the Statutes review working party – to not particularly pursue the subject of co-operation with the EMOs for the time being, but to invite the EMOs to the general CPME meetings as usual.

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To: Dr Konstanty Radziwill
   President of CPME
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   Rue Guimard, 15
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Dear Dr Radziwill, Dear Konstanty,

We are writing to you in response to the invitation sent by the CPME Secretariat to a so-called “CPME – EMOs meeting” to be held in Brussels on 5th October 2010.

The reason why we only reply to your invitation now is justified by the consultation that we conducted on an equal basis among the Executives of the European Medical Organisations invited to your meeting. In these discussions, it was agreed to provide you with a common letter that you will find attached.

When meeting on 11th September, the UEMS Enlarged Executive supported the letter and acknowledged the support from AEMH, CEOM, FEMS, PWG and UEMO.

The UEMS regrets that it cannot accept your invitation.

Yours faithfully,

Zlatko Fras
President

Bernard Maillet
Secretary General
To: Dr Konstanty Radziwill  
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"We can no longer consider unique identity. We have to get used to the concept of multiple identity.”  
JMD Barroso

Dear Dr Radziwill, Dear Konstanty,

We are writing to you with regard to the CPME’s invitation to a so-called « CPME – EMOs meeting » to be held in Brussels on 5th October 2010.

As a matter of principle, we are keen to take part in any initiative likely to contribute to improvements in the working relationship between all European Medical Organisations. Before we can confirm our participation though, we would need to clarify a few details with you, particularly as regards the scope of the meeting and the proposed agenda.

The wording you use is again a sheer demonstration of a structural misconception in the way the CPME sees the working relationship that the EMOs have between themselves. We are again exasperated by these language abuses and this must be absolutely clarified and corrected before we could even agree on sitting around the same table.

There is essentially a recurrent problem of perception with the misinterpretation CPME is continuously maintaining that it is different and would supersede the other EMOs. According to us, should EMOs enhance their collaboration, they must, as has been repeated so many times, all do so on an equal basis, which includes the CPME. We thought this had already been clearly stated, understood and agreed but we were obviously wrong. If we aim at speaking with one voice at the European level, this requires first to listen to each other’s.

Furthermore, we as EMOs are not interested in receiving voting rights when attending CPME meetings and this is something we have never requested. This proposal again originates from the same erroneous belief.

There are ways to improve collaboration which go beyond legal manoeuvres. As long as such misunderstandings prevail, there is no likelihood that any significant progress can be achieved in the near future. We regret that we cannot accept your invitation.

Yours sincerely,

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