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Draft Minutes
66th AEMH Board meeting
23 May 2013, 9:00 -12:00

Venue: Hotel Novotel Bercy 85, rue de Bercy, 75012 Paris/ France

Participants:
Dr Joao de Deus (President),
Dr Thomas Zilling (1st Vice-President)
Dr Hrvoje Sobat (Treasurer)
Dr Mikulas Buzgo (2nd Vice-President)
Prof Vlad Tica (3rd Vice-President)
Brigitte Jencik

1. Approval of the Agenda
Thomas Zilling asked to address next year’s conference in Stockholm and Mikulas Buzgo the situation in Slovakia. The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 65th AEMH Board Meeting
Florence, 19th January 2013
The minutes were approved.

3. President’s Report
a) AEMH Activity Report 2012
The President highlighted the positive evaluation of the joint AEMH-FEMS meeting both from AEMH as from FEMS delegates. The Austrian Medical Chamber might be prepared to organise the 2nd Joint meeting in 2015, 3 years after the first, which seems a good cycle.
b) EFPIA
Thomas Zilling explained the importance of contacts with EFPIA, as funding of CME activities by the pharma industry is in danger. The transparency register based on the US “Sunshine act” was also discussed. EFPIA director Mr Bergström has accepted the speaker invitation to the AEMH Stockholm Conference 2014.
c) India Conference
Joao de Deus explained that the contact to India was laid at the World Health Care Congress in Amsterdam last year, where he gave a presentation on “Clinical involvement in hospital management”, which raised the interest of the numerous Indian attendees. He was then invited to co-organise this conference, which was well attended and successful.
d) CPME Meeting Dublin
Joao de Deus explained that this meeting was the first of Katrin Fjeldsted as CPME-president. CPME held an interesting pre-conference in health inequalities. They held working groups on tobacco, professional qualifications, healthy ageing and e-health. Mikulas Buzgo took the opportunity to thank the president for his intervention at the CPME meeting in favour of supporting the Slovakian doctors, which was very much appreciated and helpful. The government wants to tighten the emergency law to foresee not only punishment but imprisonment in case of refusal to work. Furthermore, doctors could be prohibited to practice for 10 years. The law since then has been softened, as to this duration. Nevertheless, the fight against will be continued and the constitutional court will be contacted.
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The President appreciated the atmosphere of the past presidents’ committee, which has much improved since the presence of Katrin Fjeldsted, who considers CPME as an equal and not as dominant member. The PCom approved to support doctors from Slovakia and on a response to CEN/CENELEC on Standardisation of health services. A document on health expenditures in times of crisis was discussed and on behalf of AEMH approved by the president. The plenary will be asked to endorse it.

FEMS GA Budapest

Joao de Deus reported that the meeting, which was under the presidency of Enrico Reginato and was very much dedicated to the Slovakian Situation. But many other countries encounter similar or other difficulties, which led to propose a European Action Day on 15 May next year. The proposal of a strike was rejected as to be reserved only for extreme situations. The idea is that each country can choose which action is appropriate. FEMS also decided on a change of statutes concerning the dismissal of board members and accepted the doctors of Turkish Cyprus as observers.

4. 1st Vice-President’s Report

a) Centre for Medical Education in Context (CenMEDIC),
   Workshop 11-13 February in London
   Thomas Zilling reported from this interesting event, in which he participated on invitation of Prof Janet Grant. The university of Newcastle has developed a web-based learning system and the objective is to set up on-line accreditation and assessment of education and CME/CPD.

5. Other Activities

Med-e-Tel Conference of the International Society for Telemedicine & eHealth, Luxembourg 21 April 2013 (Dr Raymond Lies)

Conference, “Efficient Hospital Management” Moscow
   May 31-June 1, 2013 (Dr Joao de Deus)
   The president was invited to lecture on “Doctors’ involvement in hospital Management, patient safety and quality of care” and also to give a short speech on “Principal experience of hospital management: chief physicians experience”.

IDC's Pan-European Healthcare Executive Summit 2013 “3 Forces of Healthcare Change: Personalization, Integration and Industrialization”
   London, 10-11 September 2013 (Advisory Board Dr Joao de Deus).
   In addition the president was also asked to moderate a workshop.

2nd European Hospital Conference, co-organized with HOPE and EAHM (European Association of Hospital Managers)
   Düsseldorf, 22 November 2013
   Regrettably the EHC will collide with the CPME meeting to be held in Bucharest, reason why Vlad Tica will not be able to be in Düsseldorf.

6. AEMH Office

Past, Present and Future

Structure, Tasks and Duties European Liaison Office
   The secretariat will be handled as in the past from “cloud”. Policy adviser Catherine Hartmann is based in Brussels and will start her activities in May. She will give a presentation at the
plenary to introduce herself and the job as policy adviser. She will then expose the European health agenda.

7. **Financial Reports** by AEMH-treasurer Dr. Sobat

7.1 **Financial Report 2012**

   a. Closing of accounts 2012

   *Hrvoje Sobat* explained that the final accounts were no surprise, compared to the interim report discussed at the board in January and only confirmed the very positive result. The result is even more positive if we would take the inflation rate into consideration. No change also on the saving account, as the bank has still no interesting contract to propose.

   b. Treasurer’s Report of Year 2012

   *Hrvoje Sobat* gave some highlights from his report.

7.2 **Draft Budget Year 2014 for approval**

The treasurer is confident that we will keep the positive trend also for next year and therefore he can propose a budget with no increase of Membership fees, which will surely meet the appreciation of the delegations.

8. **Working Groups**

   A. Professional Qualifications Directive/ Training – Dr Thomas Zilling

   This group has the greatest interest as the hottest topic when referring to the European Agenda. The directive foresees mandatory CPD, which is contradictory to AEMH policy. Thomas Zilling has prepared a draft statement, which will be discussed in the group.

   B. Patients’ Safety – Task shifting – Medical competence -Dr Hrvoje Sobat

   *Hrvoje Sobat* stated that there is nothing new to add to previous statements on the topic and that the group will focus on medical autonomy.

   C. Role, Practice and Future of Senior Hospital Physicians – Dr Mikulas Buzgo / Prof Vlad Tica

   The focus of the group will be on doctors’ involvement in management. Most presentations were sent in advance by the speakers and the aim is to collect at the conference a key message of each of them, which will be implemented in a draft statement.

9. **AEMH Conference 2013 “Role, Practice and Future of Senior Hospital Physicians”**

10. **Review of the Agenda of the 66th AEMH Plenary Meeting**

   **Election for treasurer**

   *Hrvoje Sobat* confirmed that he will be candidate for another term of office.

11. **International meeting Calendar** International EMOS' Calendar CPME 2013-001

    Not discussed.

12. **Next Board Meeting** : 23 November 2013, Düsseldorf ? (collision with CPME Meeting)

    The date of **23 November** was confirmed despite the absence of Vlad Tica.
13. **Any other business**  
*Thomas Zilling* requested to reflect on the title of the 2014 Conference.  
The members of the board agreed on “Patients Safety”, 10 years after the first AEMH Conference on this topic, and 9 years after the “Luxembourg Declaration”.