



Recognition of Professional Qualifications

The modernisation of Directive 2005/36/EC

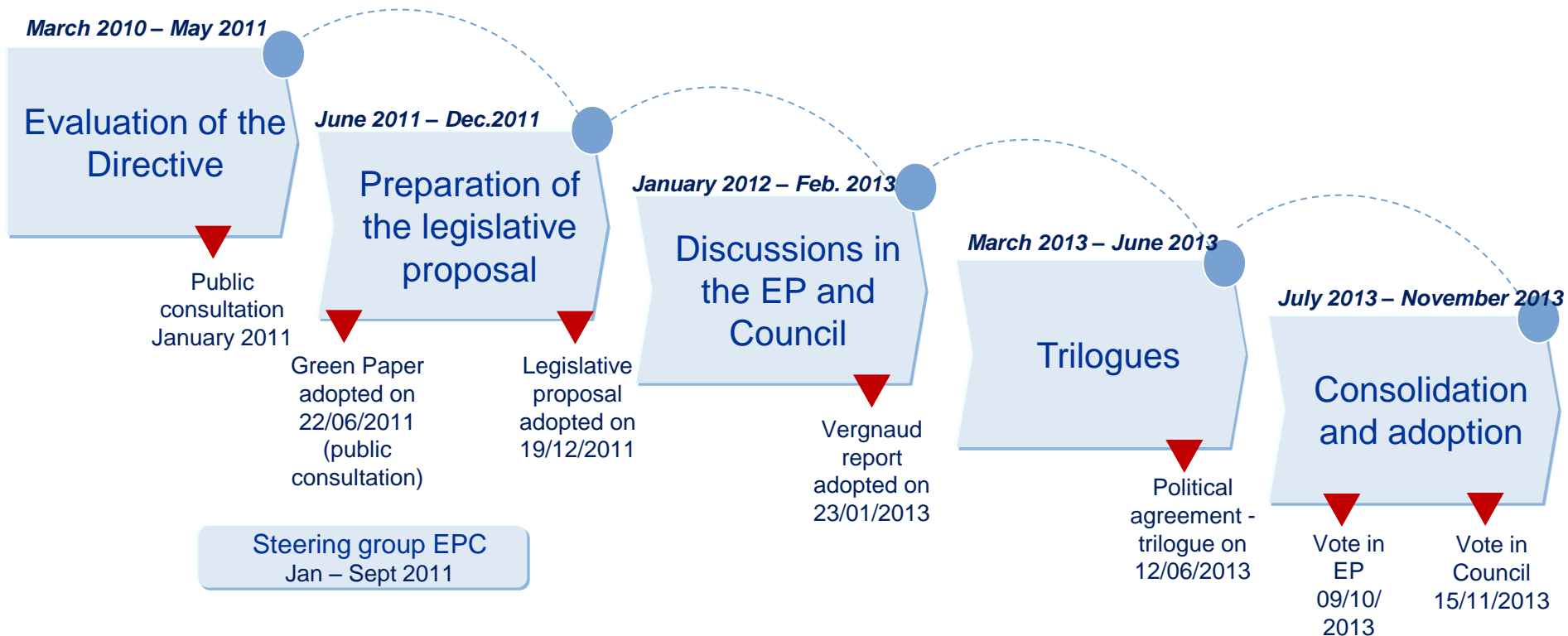
András Zsigmond (DG MARKT/E.4)

**UEMS Conference on CME-CPD in Europe
Brussels, 28 February 2014**

Directive 2005/36/EC in a nutshell

- *Beneficiaries: EU/EEA nationals wishing to pursue a profession which is regulated in the host MS*
- *Considered fully qualified professionals in the home MS*
- *Establishment / temporary provision of services*
- *Establishment: automatic recognition (minimum training requirements/professional experience), general system*

Modernisation of Dir. 2005/36 (timing)



Directive 2013/55/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 November 2013 amending **Directive 2005/36/EC** on the recognition of professional qualifications and **Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012** on administrative cooperation through the Internal Market Information System ('the IMI Regulation')

published on 28 December 2013 in the Official Journal L354, p. 132.

Most important issues for the medical professions

- European Professional Card
- Alert mechanism
- Language requirements

- Sectoral professions: update of minimum training requirements, CPD
- Common Training Principles

Continuous Professional Development

- *Scope: Chapter III (sectoral) professions*
- *CPD should cover technical, scientific, regulatory and ethical developments*
 - MSs **shall ensure that professionals are able** to update their knowledge, skills and competences
 - Why? In order to maintain a safe and effective practice and keep abreast of professional developments
 - How? By encouraging continuous professional development
- *Specific procedures of Member States*

Continuous Professional Development

- *Notification to the Commission: national measures by the transposition deadline*
- *New role of the Group of Co-ordinators:*
 - Exchange information and best practice for the purpose of optimising CPD in Member States

Useful links

- *Professional Qualifications Directive in practice:*
http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/qualifications/directive_in_practice/index_en.htm

- *Latest policy developments:*
http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/qualifications/policy_developments/index_en.htm

Thank you for your attention!

Markt-E4@ec.europa.eu