

OVERVIEW ON CME-CPD IN EUROPE IN 2014

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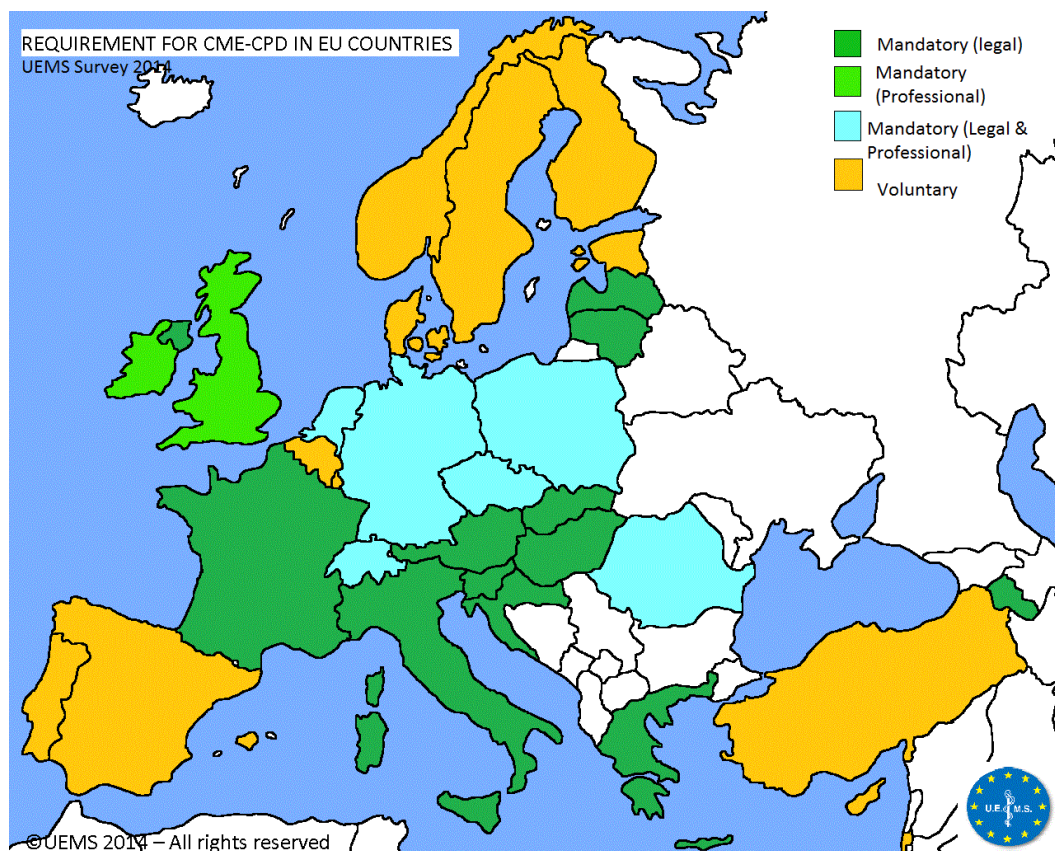
The UEMS survey in brief

- Aim: explore state of play of CME-CPD in Europe in 2014
- Survey initiated in December 2013
- Short and simple questions to answer
- Country-profile created for each country
 - 29 EU/EEA Member States
 - Armenia, Canada, Israel, Turkey, USA



ANSWERS & FIRST OUTCOMES

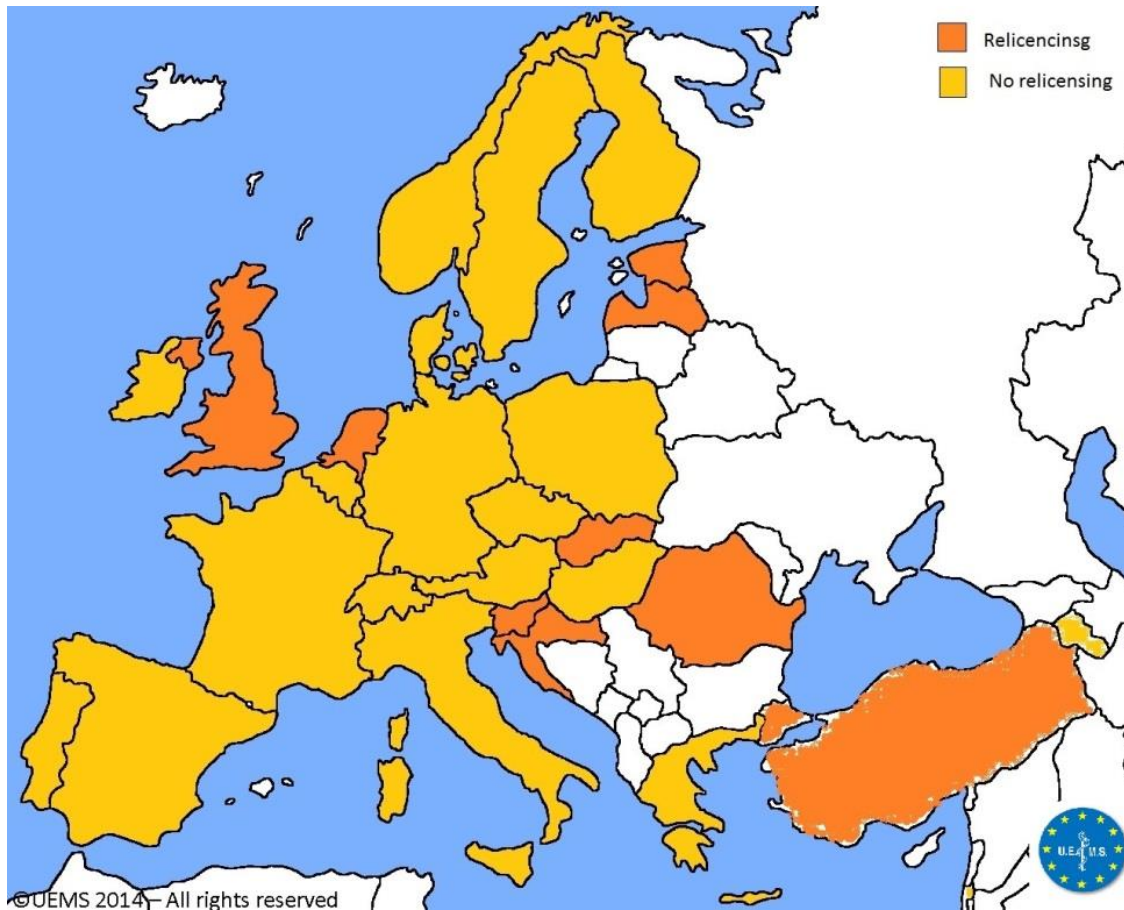
Requirements for CME-CPD in Europe



- Mandatory CME-CPD in 21 countries (18 EU)
- Voluntary in 13 countries (13 EU)

USA and Canada: Mandatory

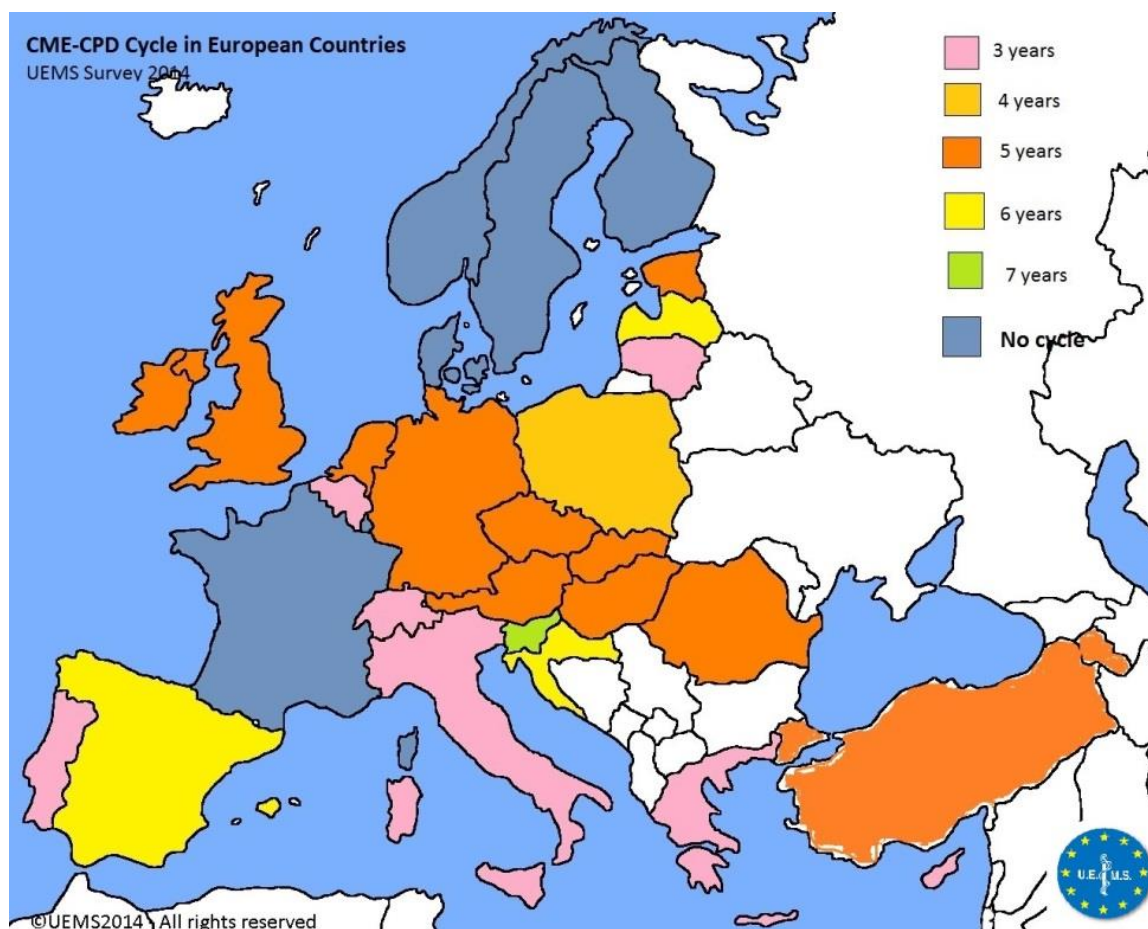
Re-licensing in Europe



- 8 countries have implemented a re-licensing process

USA and Canada: Re-licensing

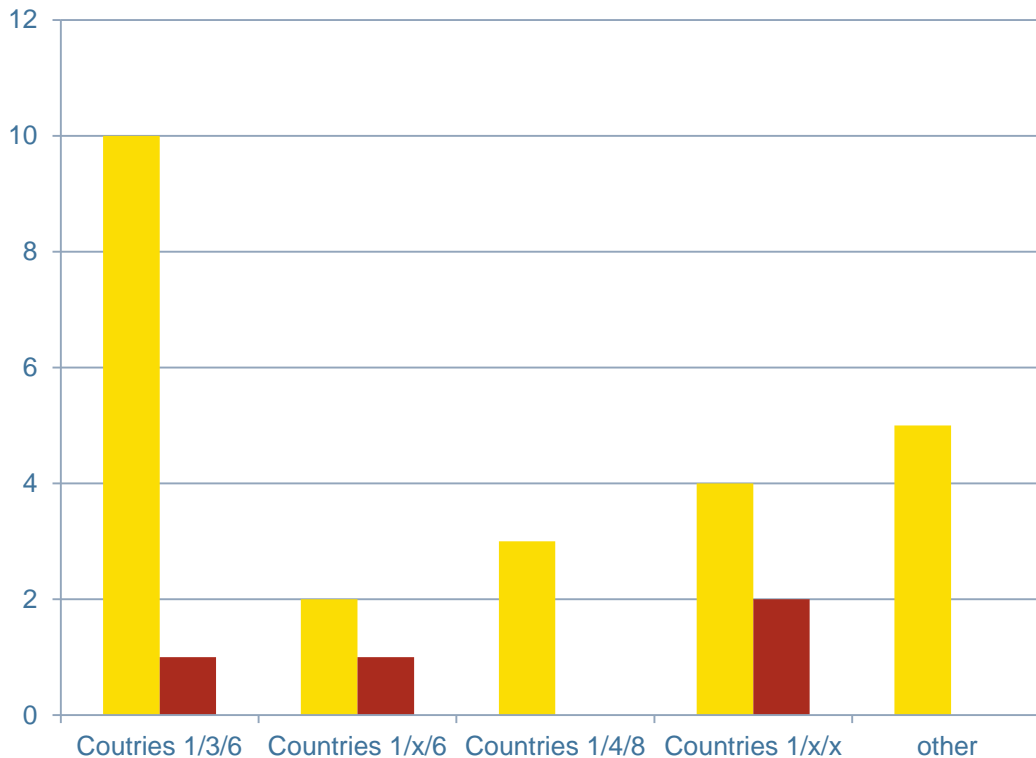
Length of CME-CPD cycle



- Only 6 countries do not have a proper CME cycle
- Average: >40 credits/year

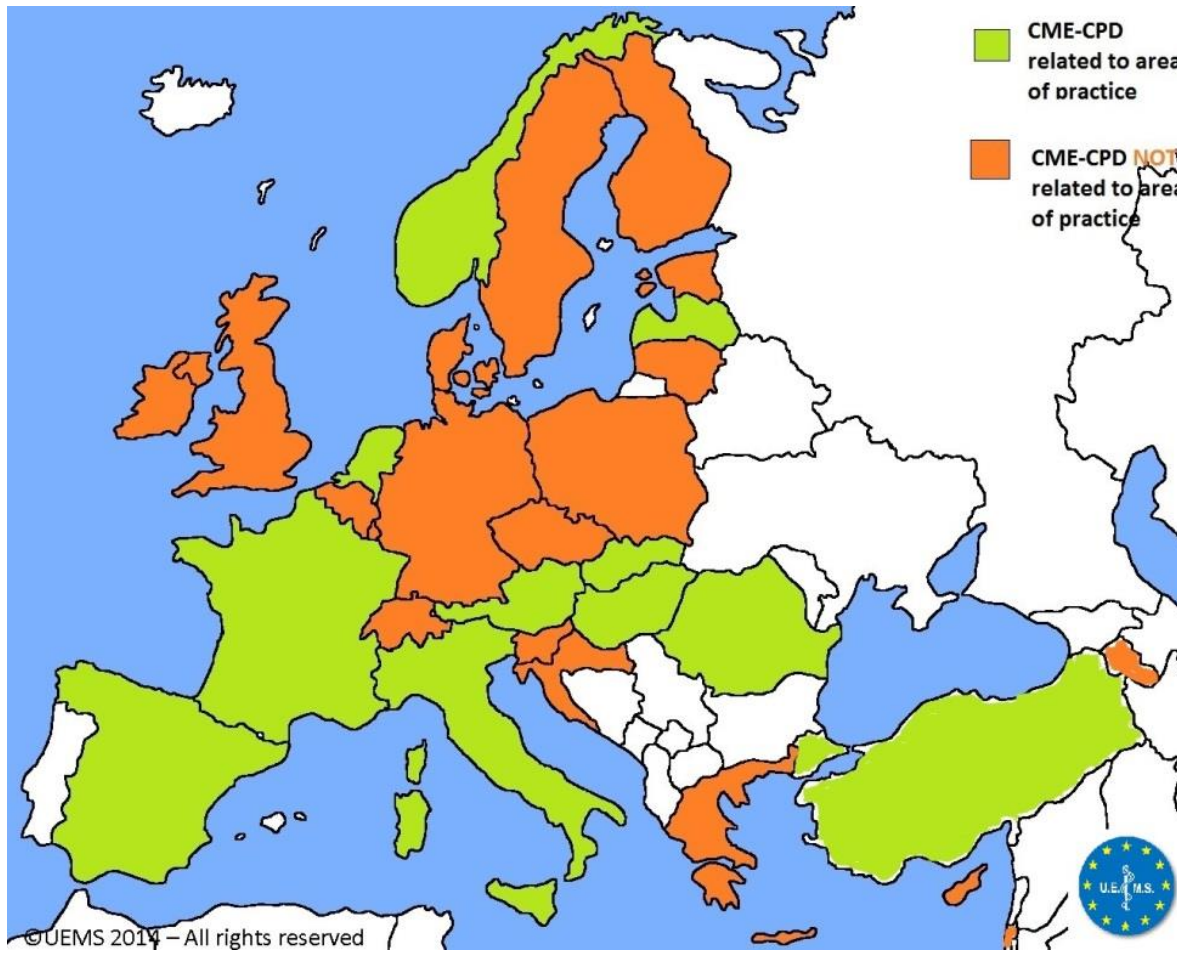
USA: 3 years and Canada: 5 years

Allocation of CME credits for Live educational events



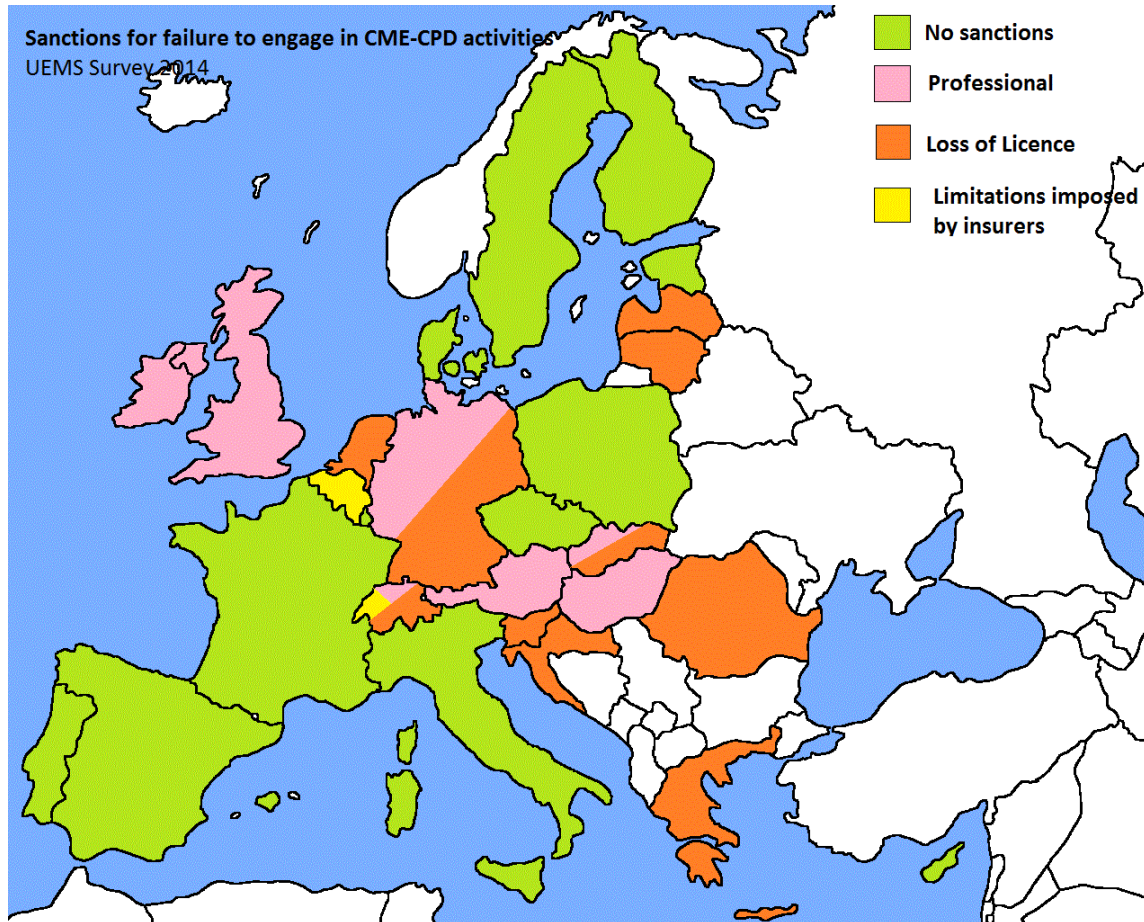
- In most countries, 1 hour = 1 credit with limitations:
 - 1/3/6: 11 countries
 - 1/x/6: 3 countries
 - 1/4/8: 6 countries
 - 1/x/x: 4 countries

CME activities and areas of practice



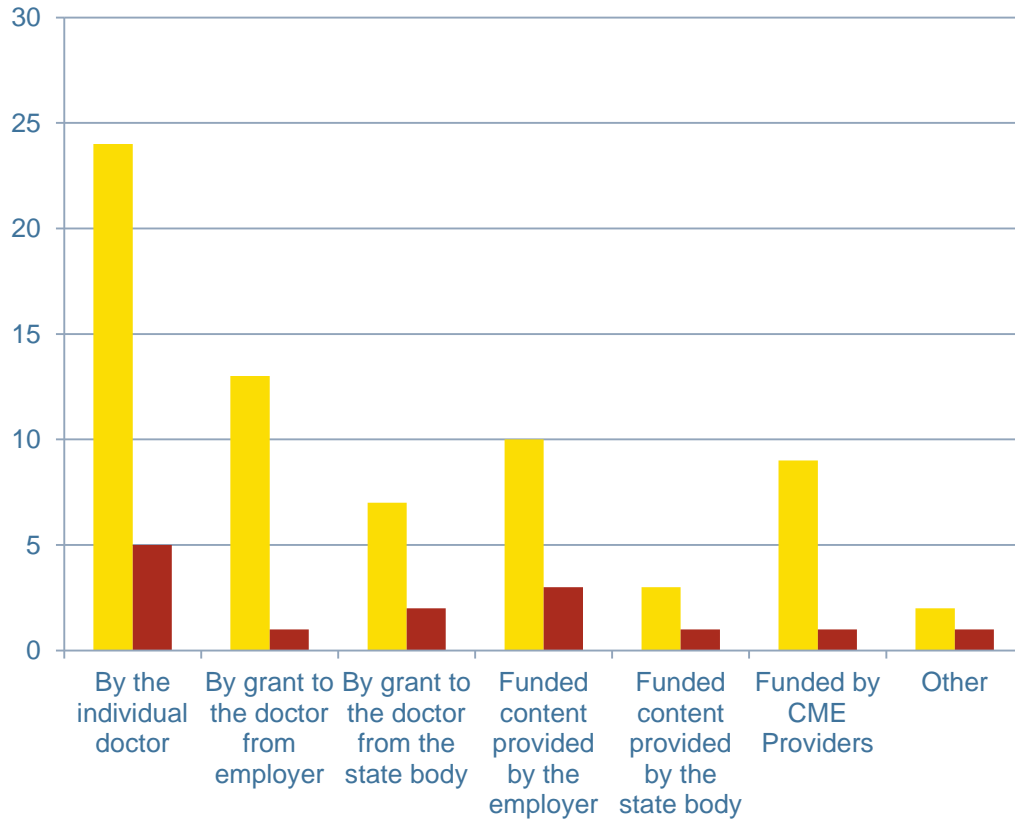
12 countries have linked area of practice and CME-CPD activities

Sanctions for failure to engage in CME-CPD activities



- 16 countries have no sanctions
- Gradual implementation in sanctions:
 - reminder,
 - Financial measures
 - disciplinary measures
 - loss of licence (rather rare)

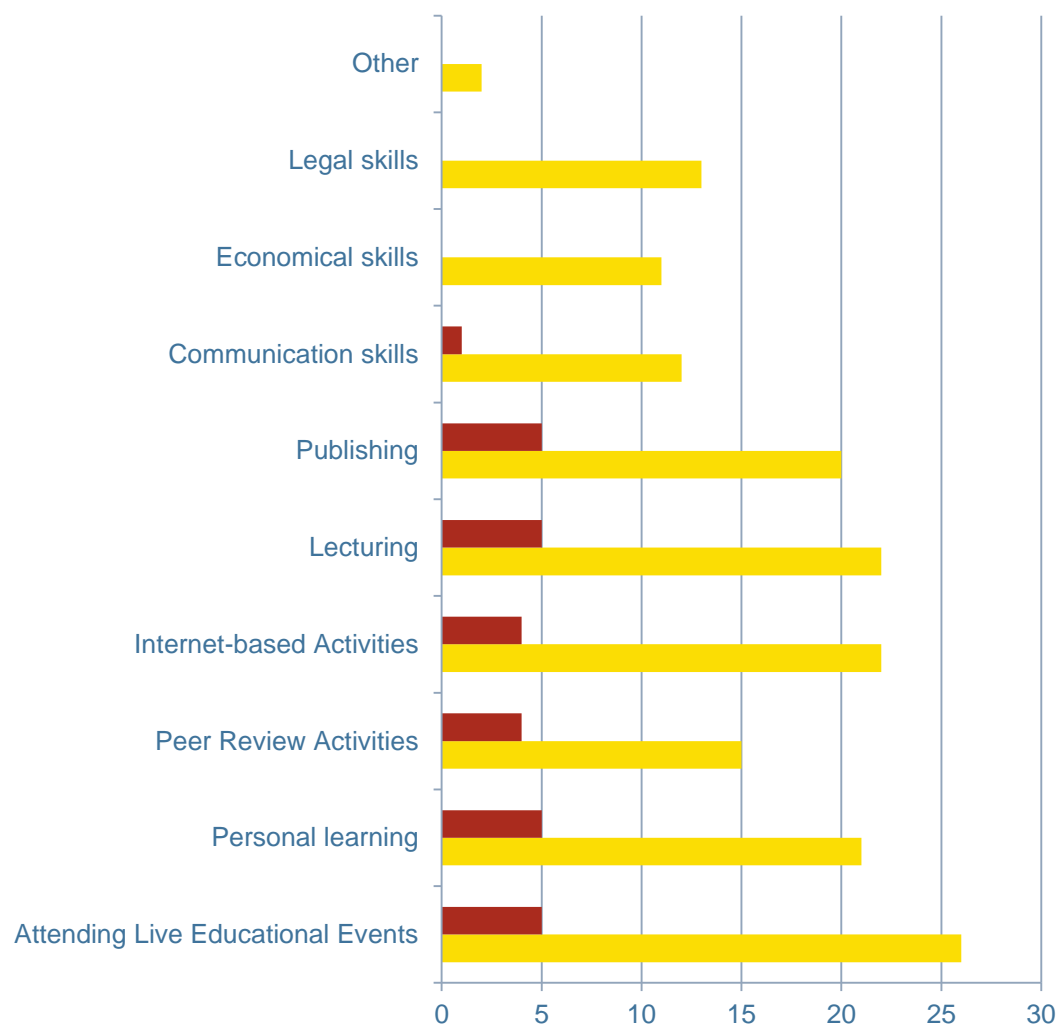
Financing CME-CPD



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- Financed directly by individual doctors in 29 countries (24 EU)
- Other contributors:
 1. Employer
 2. State Body
 3. Provider
- Dual contribution in many case

Recognised CME-CPD Activities



- Live Educational Events remains prominent
- Then comes:
 - Internet-based activities
 - Lecturing
 - Personal learning
 - Publishing

KEY TRENDS

Preliminary outcome of the UEMS Survey

- Engaging in CME-CPD activities is becoming increasingly mandatory in most European Countries
- CME credits are key to fulfilling national requirements
- European CME Credits (ECMECs) are a useful tool to help physicians collecting their CME credits

Preliminary outcome of the UEMS Survey

- European countries have gradual sanctions to compel physicians to engage in CME-CPD activities.
- CME-CPD is mostly financed by the individual doctors and by employers
- Increasing variety of activities are considered as CME-CPD activities

NEXT STEPS

Future steps

- Confirmation and validation of country profile
- Elaboration of National reports on CME-CPD for each country
- Publication in 2014: « ***CME-CPD in Europe – challenges and future trends*** »

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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