The accreditation of CME-CPD in Europe
Contributing to higher standards in medical care

Friday 18th November 2011

SQUARE - Brussels Meeting Centre
Silver Hall
Rue Mont des Arts
BE-1000 Brussels

“An International Conference for sharing knowledge and considering the latest developments in the accreditation of continuing medical education & professional development in Europe”

The European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®) was established by the UEMS for the purpose of ensuring the international mutual recognition of quality assessments of CME-CPD activities organised all over the world for the benefit of European doctors.
Overview
Continuing Medical Education and Professional Development are key aspects of doctors’ competence and fitness to practice. Promoting these concepts contributes to improving all aspects of a medical practitioner’s performance in their work. It is recognised as essential for doctors not only to renew their knowledge and keep abreast of scientific and/or technological developments, but also to maintain the necessary skills and attitudes required to ensure patient safety and quality of care.

The UEMS, in 2000, established the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®) for the purpose of ensuring the international mutual recognition of quality assessments of CME-CPD activities throughout Europe. Through the accreditation of live meetings and e-learning materials, the UEMS-EACCME® promotes high standards in medical education, thereby improving the quality and safety of patient care.

This Conference will provide a state of the art discussion of the role of accreditation in CME-CPD and practical insights into the UEMS-EACCME®'s accreditation process.

Purpose of the Conference
- High-level communication between CME Providers, Accrediting Bodies and Funding Organisations
- Presentation of the criteria for the accreditation of live educational events and of e-learning materials
- EACCME® Accreditation as a means of assuring the quality of CME-CPD in Europe

Needs Assessment
- Highlighting the purpose and added value of CME accreditation by the EACCME®
- Explaining how decisions are made by the EACCME® and how to meet these requirements
- Improving interaction between all relevant groups involved in CME-CPD

For Providers:
- Why does accreditation matter?
- Does the EACCME® provide for proper and accountable accreditation?
- How to ensure that an application is successfully accredited?

For Reviewers:
- What role do Reviewers play in the EACCME® accreditation system?
- What are Reviewers’ responsibilities within that process?
Programme

09.30 Registration

10.00 Opening: The UEMS-EACCME® and its international partners
Zlatko Fras, Bernard Maillet, Edwin Borman - UEMS
Alejandro Aparicio - AMA

Keynote speech: Maintaining quality in specialist practice
Andrzej Rys - European Commission

Discussion

11.15 Coffee Break

11.45 Accreditation by the UEMS-EACCME®
The UEMS-EACCME® system: Criteria for the accreditation of live educational events and e-learning materials
Bernard Maillet, Edwin Borman - UEMS
Christos Pissiotis - Panhellenic Medical Association

Discussion

13.00 Lunch Break

14.00 Parallel Sessions

• Reviewers’ Forum:
  ◊ The criteria in practice for the accreditation of live educational events and e-learning materials

• Providers’ Forum:
  ◊ The UEMS-EACCME® Application Process: Applications made easy & Review Process
  ◊ The UEMS-EACCME® Application Criteria for the accreditation of live educational events and e-learning materials
  ◊ Sponsorship

15.40 The changing regulatory environment for industry support
Ian Starke - RCP London
John McLoughlin - EUCOMED

16.30 Open Question & Answer Session

16.50 Final address

17.00 Tea Break & Informal Discussion

Speakers include

Dr Andrzej Rys,
Director European Commission’s DG for Health & Consumers

Mr John Mc Loughlin,
EUCOMED Compliance Panel Chair

Dr Alejandro Aparicio,
Director AMA division of continuing physician professional development

Dr Zlatko Fras,
UEMS President

Dr Bernard Maillet,
UEMS Secretary-General

Dr Ian Starke,
Royal College of Physicians, London

Dr Christos Pissiotis,
PanHellenic Medical Association

Dr Edwin Borman,
EACCME Taskforce Chair
REGISTRATION FORM

Thank you for returning this form to the UEMS Brussels Office before 11th November 2011 by email to cme-conference@uems.net or fax to +32 2 640 37 30

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE A REGISTRATION FEE OF 50 EUROS
This will cover the cost of lunch and refreshments during the day and a USB with all Conference materials. The UEMS will be covering the cost of the Conference venue.

PERSONAL INFORMATION
Please fill in the form in capital letters

NAME: FIRST NAME:
ORGANISATION: POSITION:
COUNTRY: EMAIL: @

REGISTRATION
Tick where appropriate

O PROVIDER
O REVIEWER

O I WILL PARTICIPATE TO THE CONFERENCE.
Please transfer your registration fee to the UEMS account (including transfer payments) no later than 11th November 2011.
UEMS account: 000-1328338-20
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O I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND BUT WOULD LIKE TO BE KEPT INFORMED OF THE UEMS-EACCME ACTIVITIES.

Event Details
Date Friday 18th November 2011
Time 10.00 – 17.00

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