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Creation of a UEMS Database for Successful Applicants for the UEMS Exams and Honorary Diplomas, UEMS Accredited Centres for Training and UEMS-CESMA Appraised Exams

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1. Rationale:

It is of utmost importance to have a UEMS database of all successful applicants of the UEMS Exams. This is for the following reasons:

To ensure sound governance, all UEMS bodies providing European Exams and also organizations that provide European Examination in collaboration with the UEMS should maintain a database containing records of all successful applicants which is publicly accessible and allows for a quick and accurate confirmation of the qualifications claimed by a Medical Specialist. This is even more important in the case of applicants coming from non-EU Countries. Currently, such confirmation relies on directing a query to the relevant Section/ Board or European Scientific Society and is based on their historic record which is not always easily accessible or complete.

Not all European Examinations are UEMS Examinations. The UEMS offers its endorsement only to Examinations organised by its Sections and Boards themselves or in collaboration with the European Scientific Societies, or by European Scientific Societies with a formally established collaboration of the UEMS Sections and Boards. The presence of the name of an applicant in a central UEMS database will state clearly that his/her qualifications are formally recognised by the UEMS.

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Certain UEMS Sections and Boards offer the option for Specialists with a distinguished career in their respective fields to be exempted from the examination and awarded an Honorary Diploma. The inclusion of the names of Colleagues who are holders of Honorary Diplomas in the database is most important for exactly the same reasons as for Colleagues who have passed the examinations.

Based on the UEMS 1997 Charter for visitations and accreditation of centres for training in various specialties, UEMS Sections and Boards in collaboration with European Scientific Societies have developed over the years robust programmes for accreditation of training centres. The inclusion of those centres in the database will serve the scope mentioned for exams and honorary diplomas.

Lastly, the UEMS Council of European Specialists Medical Assessments (UEMS-CESMA) has developed a process of appraising European exams that have formal UEMS recognition. Inclusion of the appraised exams in the proposed database will also serve the scope of sound governance and quality assurance.

2. Operational framework

The database will be housed as a publicly accessible section of the UEMS website that will be created with the help of the IT Company supporting the UEMS site

Two designated members of the UEMS Office in Brussels will have access to and will be able to modify the content of the database. Those persons will be accountable to the UEMS CEO.

The UEMS President and General Secretary will be overall responsible for the content and accuracy of the database.

No later than two weeks upon formal completion of the process related to exams, applications for honorary diplomas, accreditation of training centres or appraisal of exams by UEMS CESMA, the relevant UEMS Body will be obliged to inform the UEMS Office regarding the successful applicants/ centres/ exams. The following information should be forwarded to the UEMS Office (to be agreed for accuracy between the awarding UEMS Body and the UEMS Office)

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- For exams and honorary diplomas:
Awarding Body
Name of the applicant
Country of origin
Name of qualification
City/ Country and date of award
Agreement of the candidate/laureate to have personal information processed, registered in the database and published
- For accredited centres
Awarding Body
Name of centre
Area of accreditation
City/ Country and date of award
- For Exam appraised by CESMA
Name of the Exam
City/ Country and date of appraisal

3. Fees

An administrative fee of 30 Euros will have to be paid by the applicant (exam/honorary diploma), a centre applying for accreditation or by a body organising an exam (UEMS-CESMA appraisal) upon application to the relevant UEMS Body. The fees of every application will be transferred by the relevant UEMS Body to the UEMS account along with the list of the successful applicants/ centres/ exams. In case of failure of the application and re-application the initial amount paid should stand and there will be no extra fee.



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