

## **CESP/EBP meeting, Brussels December 2005: report for SSIEM council**



As chairman of ETAC I attended the CESP in Brussels on 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> December. I took part in the Tertiary Care Meeting, a working Group on Medicines for Children and the CESP/EAP-EBP plenary session.

1. The European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) reports to the Standing Committee of European Doctors and to E.U. Advisory Committee on Medical Training, both of which report to the European Commission. The UEMS has a number of sections, and of these the Confederation of European Specialists in Paediatrics (CESP), represents Paediatrics. CESP holds meetings for its delegates twice yearly, one in Brussels in December and the other at various cities in Spring. The delegates of CESP are made up of individuals representing either nations within Europe (chosen by their relevant national bodies) or the different specialty groups.
2. CESP is attempting to broaden its remit. It has a European Board of Paediatrics (EBP) which is responsible for educational/training matters and is also trying to constitute a European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP). The development of EAP is supported by UEMS
3. The SSIEM has been given responsibility for Metabolic Paediatrics within CESP/EBP and in order to discharge this duty has an Education and Training Committee (ETAC). As most SSIEM members will be aware we have a defined syllabus for training and are responsible for assessing specific centres and recommending to CESP whether these should be granted accreditation for training within our specialty. To date ETAC has visited 3 centres within Europe and sent completed data collection forms to the EBP
4. As far as the SSIEM is concerned we are still awaiting a formal response to our reports and recommendations for accreditation. However I was told at the meeting that these reports were well received by the EBP and that we will hear shortly. We were the first speciality group to complete such visits and only a very small number of other specialities have yet undertaken any.
5. At the tertiary meeting I reported progress made by the SSIEM. Namely that we have a training syllabus, an established training committee, had adapted the generic EBP data collection forms, and had now undertaken 3 visits to potential training centres. I explained that the costs of these visits had been met by the centres.

6. Other specialities also presented reports. Notes on these are as follows:
- Gastroenterology  
have commenced visits
  - European society of neonatology  
syllabus 6-7 yr- recently made more competency based; developed log book; will accept established national accreditation programmes [too many to visit!]
  - Allergology  
establishing data forms; planning visits; providing transitional accreditation to established specialists; will move next to centre accreditation [discussion about concerns regarding adult specialists seeing children]
  - Respiratory subsection  
need to revise syllabus  
no request for visitations yet  
developing diploma in paediatric rep medicine.
  - Neurology[EPNS]  
syllabus established  
working with specific nations [eg Estonia] to establish national training programmes; this might lead to visitations in due course. [discussion that where there is established national programmes then visits are not required]
  - Infectious diseases.  
Visits planned eg Basle, web-based case discussion, established links between centre, travelling fellowships.
  - Endocrinology  
have established training courses  
recognize national accreditation which already exist  
planning visits where no established programmes
  - Rheumatology  
11 nations have established recognition programmes for centres. Visitations being rolled out. An expanding speciality
7. Another area of interest to the SSIEM is new European Legislation dealing with Medicines for Children. The key element of this is that all new medicines should be subject to a paediatric investigation plan (PIP) designed to ensure that there is a available data on the use and expected benefits of the medicine in children. The PIP required will be specified by a paediatric committee of the European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products (EMA). The cost of this additional work will be met by the pharmaceutical industry. However I presume that those medicines defined as orphan will not be subject to this legislation.
8. CESP/EBP-EAP has a new website currently under development [www.cesp-eap.org](http://www.cesp-eap.org). We need to have a link from this website to that of the SSIEM and vice versa.

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Appendices follow – Agenda items.



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**Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 2005**  
**Brussels, Belgium**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE MEETING**

- 1) Welcome by the CESP/EAP president
- 2) Welcome by the EBP chairman
- 3) Approval of the final agenda
- 4) Approval of the minutes of the meeting in Ljubljana
- 5) Report of the president
- 6) Report of the secretary-general
- 7) Presentation of the website
- 8) European Academy of Paediatrics
- 9) Election of the CESP treasurer
- 10) Prolongation mandate of the EBP chairman
- 11) Statutes: adaptation to the new Belgian law for non-profit organisation
- 12) Short report primary+ secondary group
- 13) Short report tertiary group
  - § neonatal representation
  - § clinical genetics
- 14) Short reports of the CESP/EAP working groups
- 15) Europaediatrics 2006
- 16) CESP/EAP meetings in 2006 and 2007
- 17) Any other business



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**MEETING OF THE CESP/EAP SCIENTIFIC WORKING GROUP ON MEDICINES FOR CHILDREN:  
A HISTORICAL TURNING-POINT**

**Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> 2005**  
**Brussels, Belgium**

**11:00 Introduction**

**Chair: José Ramet & Peter Hoyer & Peter Milla**

**The crucial role of European paediatricians**  
**José Ramet, Belgium**

**The role of EMEA**  
**Daniel Brasseur, EMEA**

**Critical decisions at the EC/EP level**  
**Peter Arlett, European Commission**

**The industry as a partner**  
**Charles Bouchard, MSD Europe**

**Networking**  
**Milena Lo Giudice, Italy**

**Conclusion and discussion**

**12:30 End of the symposium**