

## Draft minutes from the Tertiary Group meeting, Brussels, January 29<sup>th</sup> 2016

Attendees: Rob Ross Russell (Chair), Maximilian Zach, Julije Mestrovic, Jiri Zeman, Jean-Christophe Mercier, Iveta Dzivite-Krisane, Artur Mazur, Jose Manuel Lopes dos Santos, David Neubauer, Tadej Avci, Christine Aebi-Ochsner, Andrew Moris, Dana Craic, Ivan Ivanov, Carsten Lince

### Agenda

1. No apologies were received. Those present introduced themselves, including Leonid Dubey, present from Ukraine at his first meeting.
2. Minutes of the meeting held in Bratislava were approved.
3. Voting for the position as chair of the tertiary group was undertaken. Rob Ross Russell was the only candidate and was unanimously re-elected (16 votes to 0). This is his second and last term of office and will last for 2 years.
4. The list of paediatric subspecialties was reviewed. It was agreed that cardiology and intensive care should be added to the current list, and that rheumatology should replace the current listing of musculo-skeletal. A discussion about immunology was held, and we agreed that we should keep the same position as previously, namely that it was an emerging specialty but at present was not a stand-alone specialty. It needs representation within many different syllabi, and we will continue to ensure that it is reflected properly. It was recognised in the discussion that many countries have limited recognition of subspecialties, and was hoped that by formalising this list, we will encourage those countries to expand their own.

The following list will therefore be taken to the UEMS for formal recognition:

Allergology  
Cardiology  
Emergency Medicine  
Gastroenterology  
Haematology/Oncology  
Infectious Diseases  
Intensive Care  
Metabolic medicine  
Neonatology  
Nephrology  
Neurology

## Respiratory Medicine

5. Three new syllabi were then discussed. Metabolic medicine had been discussed at a previous meeting. Following some minor modifications (relating to discussion of core training) it was **agreed** that it should be sent to GA for ratification. The syllabi in Rheumatology and Infectious Diseases were also discussed. Both have used the recommended template, and will be finalised and recirculated ahead of the Spring meeting where we will present to the GA, if approved at that time.
6. Assessment of training. Dr Ross Russell presented a draft paper, describing the principles of training as developed by the EAP/UEMS over the last years. Discussion about aspects of this paper was held, and in particular there were concerns that the current documentation is not sufficiently clear about the minimal duration of **complete** training, and the document will be altered to reflect this.
7. Discussion about accreditation of training centres took place. It was agreed that for subspecialty training, the European body for that subspecialty should take the lead in developing standards for centres. Although many countries might have their own mechanisms for assessing that training, we should encourage those societies to offer centre accreditation in those countries that requested it, and that they should be expected to have representation within that assessment team from the EAP specialist representative, the EAP national delegate or both.

### **Tasks agreed:**

- We will put forward the list of recognised subspecialties to the General Assembly, and if approved will submit that to the UEMS for approval.
- Discussion about PICU training will be brought to a future meeting as an agenda item.
- Wording about the duration of training will be adapted to ensure clarity. The discussion document will then be submitted to the General Assembly for ratification.
- The Chair of the group will write to the specialist societies encouraging them to offer training centre accreditation (where wanted) and to ensure EAP representation on such groups.
- Rheumatology and Infectious Diseases syllabi will be circulated by March ahead of discussion at the next meeting.