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(8 members attended the meeting)

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Progress, challenges and priorities for further action on childhood immunization was demanded by the European Commission DG SANCO (Health & Consumers) at the Conference on childhood immunization hold in October 2012 in Luxembourg; Reinforce education and training of health professionals and other relevant experts on childhood immunization is the future demand. Healthcare professionals, espec primary care Pediatricians have a key role in advocating immunization; The conference web page has now been updated with all presentations made by the various speakers: http://ec.europa.eu/health/vaccination/events/ev_20121016_en.htm

So we are a partner organisation to **ESWI** (European Scientific Working group on Influenza) I reported about the last meetings in May; The aim of the ESWI meetings are to bring together all influenza stakeholder organizations and to provide them with a platform to discuss influenza prevention strategies, to exchange good practices and to initiate concrete actions. The conferences have a focus on science. In addition, government representatives and opinion leaders in health care are invited to the meeting to attend separate, tailor - made programme - tracks.

All presentation are now on the ESWI website (<http://www.flusummit.org/engine/> and <http://www.pgeu.eu/en/events/details/195.html>)

It should be a MUST in the future to provide training opportunities not only for students but also for graduates and also for CME.

“Improving vaccination training” will be also a main task at the ECPCP congress under my supervision in July in Tel Aviv at the ECPCP meeting;