REPORT ON THE UEMS-CESMA MEETING IN BARCELONA ON 7TH AND 8TH DECEMBER 2018

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POINT OF INFORMATION

CESMA IS A THEMATIC FEDERATION AND AN ADVISORY BODY OF THE UEMS CREATED IN 2007 WITH AN AIM TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATION AND ADVICE ON THE ORGANISATION OF EUROPEAN EXAMINATIONS FOR MEDICAL SPECIALISTS AT THE EUROPEAN LEVEL AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE EUROPEAN TRAINING REQUIREMENTS (ETRs).
VENUE

HOTEL CASA MIMOSA – BARCELONA
MEETING DISTRIBUTED OVER 2 DAYS

• 7th December 2018 - MCQ Exams Workshop

• 8th December 2018 – UEMS-CESMA Business Meeting
MCQ Exams Workshop

This was divided into three parts:

A. Presentations

B. Workshop

C. Summing-up
A. Presentations:

• Brief overview of MCQ – Mark Westwood & Maeve Durkan

• Reviewing submitted questions – Mark Westwood
B. Group work:

• Each participant had previously submitted 3 ‘good’ MCQs of the A+ve type

• 6 Groups each with 6 participants were formed and each participant presented his/her MCQs.

• The other participants in the group commented on the quality of each MCQ, providing suggestions.

• Each participant had a chance to defend his MCQ

• An invited MCQ Assessor from MRCP UK Examinations appraised the MCQ and the remarks
Summing-up

- Mark Westwood collected all comments from the MRCP UK Appraisers during the course of the Workshop.

- Towards the end of the Workshop he presented a synthesis of what we could all learn from the exercise.
Business Meeting on the 08/12/2019

• Executive Updates
• Election: Albert Mifsud (Medical Microbiologist) was elected as CESMA Secretary to replace Owen Sparrow
• Presentation of all CESMA Appraisals of the various Specialty EBSQ Examinations
• Awarding of Certificates to Boards following these Appraisals
• Discussion on official documents that need updating
• UEMS update by Bernard Maillet
• CESMA updates by Mark Westwood
• Presentations regarding EBSQ Examinations in Medical Microbiology, Occupational Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Radiology and Orthopaedics.
• Albert Mifsud introduced a questionnaire which is meant to throw some light on the present state of Specialty Examinations in European States
More presentations

• 3 PPT presentations centred on Exam Candidate Eligibility

• A very interesting presentation on Candidate Feedback by Jan Kuks (Neurology)

• Commercial Presentation by Pearson VUE. Very interesting, but financial aspects were not disclosed.

• A presentation by Zeev Goldik, on experiences during his CESMA Presidency.

• Next UEMS-CESMA Meeting in Nice on 31st May to 1st June 2019
Any questions?
THANK YOU