

JUNE 2016

Executive Board in Vienna - June 22 - Agenda

The last meeting of EB took place in June 22 in Vienna. The members of EB discussed, among other themes, these important topics:

- Minutes of the GA meeting of 12 March 2016 in Prague
- President activities overview April July 2016
- Financial issues
- Congress 2017 Toruń
- Mission paper tasks of the current EB
- Proposals for partnerships (Sodexo, Hartmann)
- New website proposal
- E.D.E. newsletter
- EAHSA cooperation levels
- · EAPSD meeting and cooperation
- E.D.E. membership
- The 2030 Residential and Care Model of CURAVIVA Switzerland
- Next EB and GA meeting



Call for speakers – Toruń 2017

<u>Speakers fee</u>: 1000.00 EURO, including travelling costs, + 1 night in a hotel chosen by the organisers (2 nights if necessary); assistance in travel organization and pick up service from/to the airport will be provided; speakers have free access to all events of the congress.

<u>Requirements</u>: expert in the requested area, short CV with description of professional experiences.

The member associations should establish the first contact, then after the agreement of the proposed speakers, the E.D.E. will contact them.

Thanks to Mrs. Gabriele Hartmann

After more than eight years work in Berlin the E.D.E. office will move to Prague. Beginning on 1st of July, Karel Vostrý will take over the work in office in Prague.

We would like to kindly THANKS to Gabriele for her perfect work in the E.D.E. office.



Ing. Jiří Horecký, Ph.D., MBA

Activities overview April - July 2016

- 18th April Congress working group Berlin
- 20th April phone conference Pro Senior project
- 29th April meeting with Marianne Thyssen, EU commissar Prague
- > 16th May meeting with Central EU Sodexo president
- 24th May meeting with T.
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- 25th May meeting with two Slovakian Associations, new members
- 26th May meeting with Aad Coster, president of EAHSA, Brussels
- 7th June meeting with Luk Zelderloo, chief secretary EASPD, Brussels
- 15th June participation at AGE conference on paliative care, Brussels
- 20th June EASPD Forum, Prague
- 7th July EAHSA meeting, Rotterdam

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General Assembly in Charleroi - 09/2016

As already announced on the General Assembly on 12 March in Prague, the next assembly will take place on 17 September 2016 in Charleroi, near Brussels. You can book a flight to the Brussels South Charleroi Airpor, the journey takes 15 minutes or to the National Airport Brussels (Zaventem) which is located 1 hour by train from Charleroi.

Important topics of Agenda: Congress Toruń 2017, Congress 2016, possible cooperation with EAHSA, Financial issues, Mission papers and goals of E.D.E., Partnerships, New website and newsletter etc.

Welcome evening: 16 September 2016, 18:00 o'clock. For the hotel reservations please contact E.D.E. office via info@ede-eu.org

Joint declaration on the UK referendum

President of the European Parliament Martin Schulz, President of the European Council Donald Tusk and Prime Minister Rutte met on June 24 in Brussels upon the invitation of European Commission President Juncker. They discussed the outcome of the United Kingdom referendum and made the following joint statement: "In a free and democratic process, the British people have expressed their wish to leave the European Union. We regret this decision but respect it. See more

Regional inequalities worsening in many countries

Income inequality is worsening within many countries, and regional disparities in housing, safety and air quality inside countries are also growing wider in many cases, according to a new OECD report. <u>OECD Regions at a Glance 2016</u> finds most countries are closing the gap between regions in education and Internet access, but disparities in GDP per head, disposable income, safety and air pollution are widening in many. The disposable income per capita gap between the richest and poorest parts of OECD countries grew 1.5% a year on average over 2000-13, with the biggest increases in the Slovak Republic, Australia, Czech Republic and Canada. <u>See your indicators here</u>

New online Repository of Innovative Practices on Active and Healthy Ageing launched

The Repository of innovative practices is the basis for the European scaling up strategy. The scaling up strategy constitutes another step in the development of the EIP AHA to mobilise sufficient resources and expertise, which combined with the collection of innovative practices will ensure implementation of innovative solutions for active and healthy ageing on a European scale. See more

EESC to present an opinion on e-Seniors

The European Economic and Social Committee is preparing an opinion on the digitalisation of life of older people. E-seniors are a potential 25% of the European population. The EESC will therefore define the means for ensuring that this 25% of the European population (125 million) learn to make use of hardware and software and computer applications in everyday life or keep up their skills in this area. The EESC reacts with this opinion on the communication of the European Commission about A Digital Single Market Strategy for Europe. A draft opinion is tabled for the EESC Plenary Session of July 2016.

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