



**APPROVED** minutes of the European Board of Psychiatry Spring Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2007 in Izmir, Turkey

### 1. Present

Prof Jacek Bomba – **Poland** – Polish Psychiatric Association  
Dr Brendan Cassidy – **Ireland** – Irish Medical Organisation  
Dr Homayon Chaudhry – **Switzerland** – PWG<sup>1</sup>  
Prof Can Cimilli – **Turkey** – Psychiatric Association of Turkey  
Dr Elisabete Fradique – **Portugal** - Portuguese Medical Association  
Prof Manuel Gómez-Beneyto – **Spain** – Spanish Association of Neuropsychiatry  
Prof Paul Hodiament – **Netherlands** – Dutch Psychiatric Association; **Vice-President, European Board of Psychiatry**  
Dr Slađana Ivezić – **Croatia** - Croatian Medical Association, Society for Clinical Psychiatry  
Dr Luboš Janu – **Czech Republic** - Czech Psychiatric Association  
Prof Matti Joukamaa – **Finland** - Finnish Psychiatric Association  
Dr Anne Kleinberg – **Estonia** - Estonian Psychiatric Association  
Dr Astrid Kubli Bauer – **Switzerland** – Swiss Society of Psychiatry and Psychotherapy  
Prof Levent Küey – **Turkey** – WPA Zonal Representative for Southern Europe  
Prof Nils Lindefors – **Sweden** – Swedish Psychiatric Association  
Dr Anne Lindhardt – **Denmark** – Danish Psychiatric Association  
Dr Bernard Maillet – **Secretary General; UEMS Council**  
Dr Lucien Manuceau – **France** – French Association of Psychiatrists  
Dr Kajsa B Norström – **Sweden** - EFPT<sup>2</sup>; **President-Elect**  
Dr Eva Pálová – **Slovakia** – Slovak Psychiatric Association; **Vice-President, Section of Psychiatry**  
Dr Kari Pylkkänen – **Finland** – Finnish Psychiatric Association; **Vice-President, Section of Psychiatry**  
Dr Joseph Saliba – **Malta** - Medical Association of Malta / Maltese Association of Specialists in Psychiatry; **Secretary, Section and Board of Psychiatry**  
Dr Harald Sontag – **France** – French Association of Psychiatrists  
Dr Ian Soosay – **UK** – EFPT; **Secretary**  
Dr James Strachan – **UK** – Royal College of Psychiatrists; **President, European Board of Psychiatry**  
Dr Roelof ten Doesschate – **Netherlands** – Dutch Psychiatric Association; **Treasurer, Section and Board of Psychiatry**  
Prof László Tringer – **Hungary** - Hungarian Psychiatric Association  
Dr Andreas Zachariadis – **Greece** – EFPT; **President**  
Prof Slavko Zihel – **Slovenia** - Psychiatric Association of Slovenia, Medical Chamber of Slovenia; **Vice-President, European Board of Psychiatry**  
Mrs Joanna Carroll – **UK** – Royal College Psychiatrists; **Administrative Secretary**

### 2. Apologies

Prof Dinesh Bhugra – **United Kingdom** – Royal College of Psychiatrists  
Dr Tsvi Fischel – **Israel** – Israeli Psychiatric Association  
Prof Pier-Maria Furlan – **Italy** – Italian Psychiatric Association  
Prof George Garyfallos – **Greece** – Hellenic Psychiatric Association  
Dr Dan Georgescu – **Switzerland** – Swiss Society of Psychiatry and Psychotherapy  
Dr Torben L Hansen – **Denmark** - Danish Psychiatric Association; **President, Section of Psychiatry**  
Prof Edvard Hauff – **Norway** - Norwegian Medical Association  
Prof Fritz Hohagen – **Germany** - German Society of Psychiatry, Psychotherapy & Neurology

<sup>1</sup> Permanent Working Group for Junior Doctors

<sup>2</sup> European Federation of Psychiatric Trainees

Prof Lars Jacobsson – **Sweden** – Swedish Psychiatric Association  
 Prof Blanka Kores-Plesnicar – **Slovenia** - Psychiatric Association of Slovenia  
 Prof Gerhard Lenz – **Austria** – Austrian Association for Psychiatry & Psychotherapy  
 Dr Françoise Matthys – **Belgium** – Belgian Association of Neurologists and Psychiatrists  
 Dr Brigitte Mauthner – **Austria** – Austrian Medical Chamber  
 Dr James O'Boyle – **Ireland** – Irish Psychiatric Training Committee  
 Dr Roland Urban – **Germany** – Professional Association of German Psychiatrists

### 3. To receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the European Board of Psychiatry held on 7 October 2006 in Deventer, Netherlands, were approved as the correct record of the proceedings, subject to amendments suggested by the EFPT delegates to item 10b.

### 4. Matters arising from the minutes not covered by this agenda

#### a) Contract with the EACCME

It was noted that the EACCME and the Section of Psychiatry signed a contract stipulating terms of engagement, including procedures for money transfer. It was unclear who signed the contract. Delegates agreed that the Board be informed of events approved on a regular basis. A list of approved events should be sent annually together with payments.

<b>ACTION: Secretary to locate the contract.</b>
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#### b) Evaluation Committee

Delegates were reminded that Prof. Hodiamont succeeded Prof. Gómez-Beneyto as chair of the CME Evaluation Committee in October 2006. As the term of office for the Chair had not been discussed at the time, delegates now agreed that it should be four years. The chair could be re-elected once.

Prof. Hodiamont reported that representatives of the WPA, AEP and WHO recognised the UEMS leadership and collaboration was satisfactory. The number of applications was steadily increasing.

It was noted that most events submitted for accreditation were supported by pharmaceutical industry and based on biological psychiatry. Dr Maillet suggested that industry linked organisers were more aware of European CME accreditation. It might help redress the balance if UEMS delegates encouraged their societies to use the EACCME to obtain CME accreditation for their events.

### 5. Proposal for anew working group: Competence-based training in psychiatry

Following discussions at the previous meeting, Prof. Gómez-Beneyto submitted a proposal for the working group on competence-based training in psychiatry. The aims of the working group were specified as:

- identifying core competencies for psychiatrists;
- developing a curriculum based on competences;
- developing instruments to measure and assess competencies.

The working group would initially focus on identifying core competencies. The membership would probably need to be reviewed once this had been achieved. It was emphasised that the work required substantial secretarial support of possibly two hours a month.

Dr Soosay, chair of the EFPT core competence group, thanked the Board for inviting him to take part in this work. The EFPT group had been working on this for 2 years and produced a statement circulated with the papers. He hoped for effective collaboration between the two groups.

The proposal was approved and the group would meet this afternoon.

### 6. Audit of training schemes – current situation

The paper (B4-04/07) outlining basic information about auditing psychiatric training in Europe was circulated with the agenda. It was proposed the paper should be routinely sent as an initial reply to requests for audit visits. This was agreed.

Dr Strachan reported that no formal requests had recently been received and asked delegates to promote this service to appropriate authorities in their countries. Prof. Gómez-Beneyto reported that the University of Alcalá de Henares would welcome an audit visit. A formal request would be submitted in due course. It was hoped that a successful pilot audit would encourage the national authorities to extend it to other schemes.

Dr Maillat congratulated the Board on this initiative and emphasised the importance of audit to the harmonisation of European training.

#### **7. Report from the European Federation for Psychiatric Trainees (EFPT)**

Dr Zachariadis reported that the next EFPT forum would be held in Athens in June this year. The main areas of work currently included efforts towards obtaining a registered charity status and competence-based training.

Dr Strachan thanked Dr Zachariadis for his report.

#### **8. Report from the Permanent Working Group for Junior Doctors (PWG)**

Dr Chaudhry reported that Slovakia would soon become the latest country to send representatives to the PWG bringing the total number of members to 25. A new working group had been established to survey national specialist examinations in member states. PWG met twice a year and their next meetings would be held in Nice (May 2007) and Ljubljana (November 2007). The PWG had recently developed a new website and it was suggested to link to the UEMS website. This was supported.

Dr Strachan thanked Dr Chaudhry for his report.

#### **9. Reports from the Working Groups:**

##### **a) Liaison Psychiatry and Psychosomatics**

Prof. Cimilli, vice-chair, chaired the working group in Dr Georgescu's absence. The final report was currently being completed and would be submitted for discussion and approval at the Geneva meeting in October.

##### **b) Competence-based training in psychiatry**

Dr Saliba was appointed vice-chair of this working group. The meeting was very productive and focused initially on reviewing key documents on competence-based training produced by other organisations. The group agreed to use the Profile of a Psychiatrist as a framework and develop further the seven basic areas of competence listed in the Profile.

#### **10. Any other business**

The feasibility of collaboration with organisations representing other mental health professionals as well as patients and carers would be put on the agenda for the Section's meeting in Geneva.

<b>ACTION: collaboration with other organisations on the Section agenda for Geneva</b>
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Dr Strachan thanked Prof. Cimilli and the Turkish Psychiatric Association for their hospitality and an excellent organisation of the meeting, and Mrs Joanna Carroll for her work.

#### **11. Dates and venues of future meetings**

11-13 October 2007 – Geneva, Switzerland

24-26 April 2008 – Copenhagen, Denmark

Autumn 2008 – no venue suggested

Spring 2009 – Budapest, Hungary (tentative invitation)