

PROVISIONAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME AND TIMETABLE

Thursday 17th October, 2013

09.00- : **Executive meetings** (only for the Executive and the International Advisory Boards of EURIPA and the Executive of EGPRN), at the Corinthia Palace Hotel:

- 09.00 – 09.30: 1st Joint meeting
- 09.30 – 10.00: Welcome and Coffee for Executive Board EURIPA and EGPRN
- 10.00 - 11.30: 2nd Joint Meeting
- 11.30–12.30: Executive Board Meeting of EGPRN
- 13.30 – 16.45: *Council Meeting with the National Representatives* (only for EURIPA-Council and EGPRN Council)

11.30-12.30: **EURIPA Annual General Meeting** (for all the EURIPA membership)

13.30 – 16.45: **Pre-conference Workshops for participants (registration necessary):**

1. Rural Proofing (Leader: Jane Randall-Smith)
2. Research Methodology in the Rural Setting (Leader: Christos Lionis)
3. Developing a research project for EU funding
4. Writing for publication

19.30: **Welcome reception** (*for all participants*) – Venue to be decided
Joint programme with joint keynote speakers and invited dignitaries

Friday 18th October, 2013 – two parallel conferences EURIPA/EGPRN

08.00 - 08.30 : **Registration**

08.30 – 09.00: **Welcome and Opening::**

- Welcome by Chairpersons of Organising and Scientific committees
- Opening by Chairpersons of EURIPA and EGPRN (plenary)

09.00 - 09.45: **Key Note Lectures** (plenary)

09.45 – 18.00: **EURIPA FORUM:**

- 10.00-11.30: Workshop 1: **Rural Medical Education**: a focus on content and methods. (Leader: Jose Lopez-Abuin)
- 11.30-13.00: Workshop 2: **Patient Safety**: a focus on methods in assessing and reporting (Leader: John Wynn-Jones)
- 14.00-15.30: Workshop 3: **Out of Hours in the Rural Health Care Setting**: a focus on research methods (Leader: Oleg Kravtchenko)
- 15.30-18.00: Workshop 4: **Reporting Rural Health Care Research**: a focus on content and research methods.(Leader: Christos Lionis)

10.00-18.00: **EURIPA Poster walk**

18.00 – 18.30 : **Summing up of the day** (joint plenary session with input from both organisations)

18.30 – 20.00 : **Practice Visits** (different general practices in Malta)

Saturday 19th October, 2013

JOINT EURIPA/EGPRN CONFERENCE

- 08.30 - 08.45 : Key Note Lectures (plenary)
- 08.45 - 09.15 : Key Note Lectures (plenary)
- 09.15 – 17.30 : Theme Papers, Free standing papers & one slide/Five-minutes Presentations (one shared EURIPA and EGPRN conference, with parallel break-out sessions for special sessions)
- Including a session led by each chairperson with a “general meeting” of EURIPA and EGPRN as appropriate
- 17.30 – 18.00 : Summing up of the day (plenary session)
- 18.00 - 18.30 : Closing of the scientific part by the EURIPA and EGPRN Chairs. EURIPA Claudio Carosino prize and EGPRN poster prize.
- 19.30 : Social event and Gala Dinner

Sunday 20th October, 2013

- 09.00 – 10.30 : Meeting of the EURIPA and EGPRN Committees and Working Groups:
Joint EURIPA and EGPRN Executive Committees to plan future collaboration and joint activities.
- 10.30 – 11.00 : Coffee
- 11.00 – 12.30 : Separate Meetings of the EURIPA/EGPRN Executive Boards
- 12.30 – 14.00 : Light lunch
- 14.00 : **Optional tour of Malta**

SOCIAL PROGRAMME:

* **Thursday 17th October:**

19.30 h.: Welcome Reception and one Key Note Lecture

* **Friday 18th October:**

18.30-20.00 h.: Practice Visits (to local health centres/clinics)

* **Saturday 19th October:**

19.30 h.: Gala Night.

Dinner and dancing at venue to be decided.

Euro 45.00 per person

* **Sunday 20th October**

14.00 h.: Guided tour for those present

REGISTRATION AND FEES:

Registration:

If you wish to attend the conference, we have agreed to use the electronic application facility at the EGPRN website. Please use the following link:

<http://attard.egprnapplicationforms.nl/>

Fees:

There will be a congress-fee of €150 for members of EURIPA and EGPRN. We shall ask non-members to pay a fee of €300 for this meeting. The registration fee includes entrance to both conferences, use of the basic conference hotel facilities for that day, two coffee breaks and one light lunch, and the social events (except the Gala Dinner which is at additional cost).

Registration for Pre-conference workshops:

Number of participants limited: 25 persons

Date: 17 October 2013

Fee for each workshop: € 25,= for members / € 50,= for non-members.

If you want to attend one or more pre-conference workshops, please tick the box on the application form.

Registration for Gala Dinner:

The Gala Dinner is not included in the registration fee. Those who want to come will have to pay an extra cost of € 45. To register, please go to the application form.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE JOINT MEETING:

The aim of this joint Forum is to collate the experiences of EURIPA and EGPRN members in the field of research in health care, specifically at the rural area, as well as to facilitate networking between EURIPA and EGPRN, particularly in the area of research and training, with the goal to develop the academic and evidence base for Primary Care.

Among the specific objectives, the following are primary:

1. To identify and discuss research methodologies that are suitable and appropriate for the rural setting at both undergraduate education and at the professional level, and to publish consensus statements and a position paper endorsed by these two European networks.
2. To explore existing research opportunities within the current European research framework, and identify areas of potential cooperation in joint proposals.
3. To endorse a joint document aiming at the promotion of the strategy of WONCA Europe.