



Multidisciplinary Joint Committee of Intensive Care Medicine European Board of Intensive Care Medicine

Meeting Minutes

15th of May 2012 Bern

Present:

Benoit Vallet (MJCICM, President)
Rui Moreno (EBICM, President)
Andy Rhodes (EBICM, honorary secretary)
Francesca Rubulotta (ESICM)
Joseph Galea (Section of surgery)
Bernardo Bollen Pinto

Estelle Flament (ESICM interim EO)

1. Welcome

Benoit Vallet and Rui Moreno welcomed all the participants.

2. Apologies for absence

Benoit Vallet and Rui Moreno detailed the apologies for absence sent to them.

3. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were approved. There was a general approval to have the meeting minutes published on the Board website (public domain, no password) following approval of the meeting minutes at the following Board meeting.

5. Items for discussion

5.1 Progress regarding incorporation of intensive care medicine as particular competence into the Medical Directive

The road map for ICM, as designed three years ago by Prof. Hugo van Aken, Prof. Julian Bion and Prof. Marco Ranieri was described by the chairs and discussed by all the participants. In summary:

- The negotiations during the last two years with Mr. Tiedje (European Commission (EC)) were not particularly successful;
- It is not probable that Intensive Care Medicine will be incorporated within the EU directive 2005/36, either as initially proposed (as a particular competency) or as subsequently proposed following the road map as a "particular qualification". In both cases, the EC was not supportive of the concept of describing ICM as a particular competence or as a particular qualification as this was not a terminology that they were happy with.

- The European panorama of ICM is changing quickly, with now Spain, the UK, Switzerland and possibly in the near future France, Ireland and Portugal recognizing a dual pathway for certification in ICM (either together with another speciality such as anaesthesia or internal medicine) and/or as a primary speciality;
- All participants agreed that the key issue was the training and the qualifications of the candidates rather than the specific pathway followed in that training. It was considered that the training as described in the chapter 6 of training in Anaesthesia was not enough to qualify as fully-trained specialist in ICM and that a system based on competencies (based on the CoBaTrice program) would be desirable;
- It was unanimously considered that the input of the trainees (represented in the meeting by Bernardo Pinto) was very important and should be formally requested;
- Consequently, it was agreed unanimously that the MJCICM and the EBICM should make all efforts to agree on a new roadmap to describe how ICM training should evolve over the next few years. This should enable multiple pathways for training that could include primary and supra-specialty routes. This roadmap would initially be drafted by the two chairs before being distributed to the committee for discussion and debate.

5.2 EACCME

Francesca Rubulotta (EBICM representative for EACCME) has taken the leadership on the important task of accrediting CME and educational e-package meetings. It was agreed that she would continue to do so.

5.3 OrZone EU accreditation exam pilot project

Since the organization two years ago by the UEMS of a pilot project to run European level web based examinations with the aim of harmonizing accreditation processes between member states, no more news has been communicated by UEMS. Two years ago, the ESICM had donated an exam to the UEMS from the EDIC databank for this pilot study, but it is still unclear as to what qualification would be given to candidates passing this exam.

6. Any other business

Nil.

7. Next meeting

Doodle – before fall 2012.