

# The Structure of Medical Education in Europe:

Implementing Bologna –  
On the way to a European success  
story?

International Conference hosted by the  
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## **Conference Theme**

The goal of this international conference is to assess medical education within the Bologna Process in Europe and in Germany. In this context, several pertinent EU projects on curricular reform will be examined. The reform of medical education and the need for further development of respective state guidelines are issues of intensive debates in Germany. But the discussion must take into consideration the experience in other European countries as well – especially since controversies have been triggered in the context of the greater Bologna Process.

The conference shall also demonstrate, as one of its learning effects, that special “national solutions” are counterproductive, especially in the long term, as they tend to make mobility and mutual recognition in the Common European Higher Education Area more difficult. Selected examples of “Good Practice” from Bologna countries will however serve to provide more transparency, increase awareness for necessary changes and promote the feasibility of two-cycle study programmes for Medicine in Germany and Europe.

However, “Bologna” is more than restructuring curricula into Bachelor and Master. There are a number of requirements for the successful implementation of the Bologna Process in medicine – with or without tiered study programmes. These include the critical review of state guidelines, medical curricula and the introduction of new teaching and learning formats as well as strengthening competencies in educational research. In Germany, such attempts have already been made by the medical curricular reform as well as the reform of the Licensing and Regulation for Doctors (2003).

Bologna also encompasses the establishment of efficient quality assurance, the improvement of mobility and recognition, and, in the context of medical education, discussion on labour market opportunities for Bachelors of Medicine.

Target groups for the conference include teachers, academics, students, representatives of European medical associations, research organisations, national and regional health ministries, EU Commission, representatives of medical employers, health and care companies, and the interested public.

## Programme

### Friday, 10 October 2008 (CONFERENCE LANGUAGE: ENGLISH)

10:00 –        **Registration**  
11:00

11:00 –        **Welcome addresses**  
11:20

*Prof. Dr. Wilfried **Müller**, Vice-President of the German Rectors' Conference*

*Peter **Greisler**, Director, Institutions of Higher Education, Federal Ministry of Education and Research*

11:20 –        **Discussion: "Moving medical education to the Bologna framework: chances and challenges"**  
12:45

#### **Statements by representatives of**

*Dr. David **Gordon**, President, the Association of Medical Schools in Europe (AMSE), Copenhagen*

*Prof. Dr. Dr. h. c. Gebhard **von Jagow**, President, Association of German Medical Faculties*

*Dr. Hans **Karle**, President, World Federation for Medical Education, WFME*

*Prof. Dr. Eckhart G. **Hahn**, President of the Association for Medical Education (GMA), Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg*

*Prof. Dr. Madalena **Folque Patrício**, Lisbon, President of the Association for Medical Education in Europe (AMEE)*

*Daniel Rodriguez **Muñoz**, Regional Coordinator for Europe 2008/09, Director on Medical Education 2007/08, International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA)*

Chair: *Prof. Dr. Manfred **Gross**, Vice-Dean for student affairs, Charité Berlin*

12:45 –        **COFFEE BREAK**  
13:10

13:10 –        **Reforming Medical Education-the view from the German Länder**  
13:20

*Dr. Hans-Gerhard **Husung**, State Secretary for Science and Research of the Senate Department for Education, Science and Research, Berlin*

**13:20 – 14:15 Medical education in Europe: Learning from a diverse Europe?**

a) TEMPUS/TUNING/MEDINE

*Prof. Allan **Cumming**, Director of Undergraduate Learning and Teaching, University of Edinburgh*

b) The example of DentEd-projects

*Prof. Dr. drs.drs. Jerome **Rotgans**, RWTH Aachen University*

Chair: *Prof. Heikki **Murtomaa**, Association for Dental Education in Europe, University of Helsinki*

**14:15 – 15:15 Panel discussion: Reorganising Medical Studies in Europe toward competence-driven curricula and for improving employability, interprofessional networking and research**

With:

- An **Baeyens**, European Commission, DG Internal Market & Services - Regulated Professions

- Prof. Vincenzo **Costigliola**, President of the European Medical Association

- Jan **Hilgers**, Liaison Officer on Medical Education Issues 2006-08, International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA)

- Prof. Dr. Dr. h. c. Gebhard **von Jagow**, President, Association of German Medical Faculties

- Prof. Dr. J.B.M **Kuks**, University Medical Center of Groningen

- Prof. Dr. Peter M. **Suter**, President, Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences (SAMS)

Chair: *Prof. Dr. Eckhart G. **Hahn**, President of the Association for Medical Education (GMA), Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg*

**15:15 – 15:45 COFFEE BREAK**

15:45 –  
18:45

**Parallel Workshop sessions:**

**Workshop 1: Implementing the two-cycle Bologna degree system:  
modularisation and curricular development, core curricula vs.  
evidence based education, employability**

Impulse: Prof. Dr. Th. J. **ten Cate**, Director of the Center for  
Research and Development of Education, University  
Medical Center Utrecht

Dr. Christian **Schirlo** MME, Faculty of Medicine  
University Zurich

Comment: Line Engelbrecht **Jensen**, National Officer on Medical  
Education, International Medical Cooperation Committee  
(IMCC Denmark)

Chair: Prof. Dr. Sigrid **Harendza** MME, University Medical Center  
Hamburg-Eppendorf

Rapporteur: Prof. Dr. Martin **Lischka**, Medical University, Vienna

**Workshop 2: Organisation of medical examinations and quality  
assurance: Best Practice**

Impulse: Prof. Dr. Charles **Bader**, Vice-Dean for Education,  
Faculty of Medicine University of Geneva

Prof. Dr. J.B.M **Kuks**, University Medical Center of Groningen

Comment: Katharina **Kulike**, German Medical Students' Association  
(BVMD)

Chair: Stefan **Bienefeld**, German Rectors' Conference

Rapporteur: Prof. Dr. Jadwiga **Mirecka**, Krakau, Vice-President of  
the Accreditation Commission for Medical Universities  
in Poland, member of the Regional Bologna Promoting  
Group

**Workshop 3: Mobility and Recognition**

Impulse: Prof. Dr. Roman **Duelli**, Head of Dean of studies' office  
Medical Faculty, University of Heidelberg

Comment: Daniel Rodriguez **Muñoz**, Regional Coordinator for  
Europe 2008/09, Director on Medical Education 2007/08,  
International Federation of Medical Students' Associations

Chair: Marina **Steinmann**, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Rapporteur: Howard **Davies**, European University Association (EUA)

**Workshop 4: Improving co-operation and employability in the health care sector**

Impulse: Prof. Dr. Frits **van Merode**, Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences (FdGW), Maastricht University

Nikos **Davaris**, Director on Medical Education 2008/09, International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA)

Chair: Prof. Dr. R. Peter **Nippert**, Association of German Medical Faculties

Rapporteur: Prof. Dr. Winrich **Breipohl**, Institute for Work and Technology (IAT)

**Workshop 5: Enhancing Research Competences**

Impulse: Prof. Dr. Jürgen **Westermann**, University of Lübeck, Institut for Anatomie

Prof. Dr. David **Gordon**, President of the Association of Medical Schools in Europe (AMSE), Copenhagen

Prof. Dr. Andreas H. **Guse**, Vice-Dean of Education, University Medical Center Hamburg-Eppendorf

Comment: Sou **de Roos**, Medical Education Director, European Medical Students' Association (EMSA)

Chair: Prof. Dr. H. J. **Seitz**, SE Europe Cooperation, University Medical Center Hamburg-Eppendorf

Rapporteur: Prof. Dr. Fatmir **Dragidella**, Dentistry School of Medical Faculty of Prishtina

**19:00 –  
22:00**

CONFERENCE DINNER

**Saturday, 11 October 2008**

**9:00 – Poster Exhibition**

**9:45** The state-of-the art in reforming medical education curricula in the common European Higher Education Area

Introduction/Coordination:

*Prof. Dr. drs. drs. Jerome **Rotgans**, RWTH Aachen University*

Rapporteur: *Jared **Sonnicksen***

**9:45 – COFFEE BREAK**

**10:15**

**10:15 – Steps ahead:**

**12:30 a) Presentation and discussion of the workshop results**

Rapporteur WS 1: *Prof. Dr. Martin **Lischka**, Medical University, Vienna*

Rapporteur WS 2: *Prof. Dr. Jadwiga **Mirecka**, Krakau, Vice-President of the Accreditation Commission for Medical Universities in Poland, Member of the Regional Bologna Promoting Group*

Rapporteur WS 3: *Howard **Davies**, European University Association (EUA)*

Rapporteur WS 4: *Prof. Dr. Winrich **Breipohl**, Institute for Work and Technology (IAT)*

Rapporteur WS 5: *Prof. Dr. Fatmir **Dragidella**, Dentistry School of Medical Faculty of Prishtina*

Chair: *Dr. Peter A. **Zervakis**, German Rectors' Conference*

**b) Working on common suggestions for a long-term political agenda for the Bologna Follow-up Group and the Ministerial Conference in Leuven in 2009**

General Rapporteurs:

*Prof. Dr. Eckhart G. **Hahn**, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg*

*Prof. Ronald M. **Harden**, Dundee, UK, General Secretary and Treasurer of the Association for Medical Education in Europe (AMEE)*

Comments:

*Peter **Greisler**, Director, Institutions of Higher Education, Federal Ministry of Education and Research*

*Jan **Hilgers**, Liaison Officer on Medical Education Issues 2006-08, International Federation of Medical Students'Associations (IFMSA)*

**12:30** END OF CONFERENCE

## **Registration**

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