UEMS section for Clinical Genetics
What is it?
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Background

• 1996 PPPC-issue – EU-recognition
• 1998 Directive update missed
• 2004 First contact with UEMS
• 2007 Multidisciplinary Joint Committee
• 2009 EU training programme adopted
• 2011 Specialty recognised
• 2013 Section for Clinical Genetics formed
What is UEMS?

- UEMS is an organisation of European medical specialist’s professional organisations
- It has strict regulatory rules for membership and its activities
- Member organisations pay an annual fee for membership
- A full list of the member organisations is found at the web site www.uems.eu
What is UEMS not?

• It is not a member of individuals
• It is not an organisation of individual specialities
• It is not an organisation open to anybody
• Regulates
  – the activities of UEMS board, executives, sections, boards, MJCs.
  – membership and
  – Governance

• Document available on web site - library - statuses
UEMS key activities

The UEMS has three key areas of interests:

• Continuing Medical Education and Professional Development (CME-CPD)
• Post Graduate Medical Training (PGT)
• Quality Assurance in Specialist Practice (QA)
UEMS structure

- UEMS Standing Committee on Quality of Specialist Practice
  Governance Board
  - UEMS EACQMSP (?)
    European Advisory Council for Quality Management of Specialist Medical Practice

- UEMS Standing Committee on CME/CPD
  Governance Board
  - UEMS EACCME
    European Accreditation Council for CME
    Representatives of National CME Accreditation Authorities, UEMS Sections & Boards, ESAB’s, and UEMS Executive Committee

- UEMS Standing Committee on Post Graduate Training
  Governance Board
  - UEMS ECAMSQ
    European Council for Accreditation of Medical Specialist Qualification
    Representatives of CESMA, WG PGT, National Licensing Authorities, UEMS Sections & Boards and UEMS Executive Committee

- Executive
  Daily management
  President, Secretary General, Treasurer, Liaison Officer + Vice-Presidents (4)

- Council
  Plenary decisions
  2 delegates per country

  Board
  Financial matters
  1 Head of delegation per country

- Secretariat
  Brussels

- Specialist Sections
  2 delegates nominated by the national monospecialist association

- European Boards
  2 delegates per country (Balance profession-academia)
Medical Specialities

• The UEMS represents more than 50 medical disciplines through various bodies and structures.
• The most important ones are the 41 Specialist Sections, which represent independently recognised specialties.
• They have created a European Board as a subgroup, in conjunction with the relevant European Society, with a view to defining European standards of medical education and training.
• They also contribute to the work of Multidisciplinary Joint Committees (MJC) which address fields of a multidisciplinary nature.
VI.8. European Boards

• Each Section may create its own European Board as a working group with the aim to guarantee the highest standards of care in the field of the specialty in the countries of the European Union, by ensuring that the training is raised to the highest possible level.
Our section for Clinical Genetics

- Needs to be inaugurated according to the Rules and Procedures
- Each national organisation should appoint 2 delegates
- Among the delegates are elected president, secretary and treasurer
- Any other official that the membership find appropriate
Our section for Clinical Genetics

- The agenda for the first meeting is set by and chaired by the UEMS president or other UEMS official
- 1. Presentation of the attendees and apologies for those who could not be present
- 2. General information about the UEMS and the Rules and Procedures regarding Specialist Sections
- 3. Election of the Executive Bureau of the Section (1 President, 1 Secretary and 1 Treasurer)
- 4. Any other Business
- 5. Next meetings

The meeting in pleno can add further issues to the agenda.
Key issues for the new section

My opinion

• Develop a programme for the first years
• Establish a budget for the first years
• Establishing collaboration with ESHG
  – On a formal representative level
  – on training of medical doctors and an European examination
  – On development of guidelines for translating the speciality requirements to the daily training
• Establishing a course programme to the training of new specialists
• Tele/e-genetics
Information meeting

• Monday June 10
• 11.00 –13.00
• Room 252AB
Finally!

- No formal decisions can be made before the Section is formally established, but national representatives (formally appointed or putative) can start to think on what issues that are important for our speciality.

- Further - I am no official representative of UEMS; I am nominated as Swedish delegate to the Section for Clinical Genetics.