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September 2019

activities of the society EBMG

- Bela Melegh organized JARC WP8 Expert meeting (21-22.03.2019) – CC and TL were there
  - 07.03.2019 – Talk on EBMG / ErCLG on GfH meeting in Weimar, Germany by TL

To be done are
- SOPs
- revise the statutes
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- **Chair**: Christophe Cordier - Switzerland
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Main goal: certify qualified people

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Medical Genetics and Genomics
Certificates starting

Genetic Nurses & Genetics Counsellors
80 registered people

Clinical Laboratory Geneticists
~440 registered people

Laboratory Genetics Technicians
Group in constitution
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There is a need for a European recognition of lab specialization in our field – to enable individuals to work in other/all European countries.

ESHG decided to install the EBMG; here the title ErCLG is issued. Plan: as soon as ‘green paper’ is approved ask the EU to accept that ErCLG-title as the EU-approved one.

“Green Paper” = Professional Qualifications Directive = EU Directive 2013/55/EU was implemented by EU-parliament!

9 EU countries need to have CLG registered; Then we can ask for EU-wide recognition. Yet we have 9/9.
This is yet the case for 11 countries: Finland, France, Greece, Italy, Hungary, Latvia, Northern-Macedonia, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia and UK.
Next problem to be solved

We need a country acting for ErCLGs to bring an initiative to EU for recognition of ErCLGs as a European profession:

Results by now:
- **Italy** would do this if Biologists would be a recongn. Profession
- **Greece** is presently not willing to help
  - **Hungary** – request is pending

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426 ErCLGs now in 35 countries

12 add. take test in Gothenburg

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Head of a genetic diagn. lab

must be MD

can be CLG

A diagn. lab report is valid with signature of

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First announcement of the fourth course

Basics in human genetic diagnostics –
A course for CLGs* in education
*Clinical Laboratory Geneticists

Dates: 09th - 13th September 2019, Monday, 8.30 hrs to Friday 18.30 hrs
Location: Hotel Mercure, Av. 25 de Abril 22, 3080-086 Figueira da Foz, Portugal
Main organizer: Isabel M. Carreira and Joana B Melo (Coimbra, Portugal)
Co-Advisor: Thomas Liehr (Jena, Germany)
Registration is open from 1st April 2019 to 1st September 2019 or until course fully booked
Costs: EUR 500 (including tea, coffee, 5 lunches and 2 dinners, abstract book and USB-drive); ESHG fellowships are available to cover tuition and partial travel fees.
Travel and stay: to be organized by the participants themselves

Preliminary program
- Each day starts at 8:30 hrs and finishes around 18:30 hrs;
- Two coffee and one lunch breaks are scheduled each day;
- The afternoons will contain a practical part;
- At the end of each day a written exam will be taken;
- A certificate will be issued at the end of the course (in case of successful participation).

Topics:
- Basics of Human Genetics and Genetic Counselling
- Cytogenetics
- Molecular Cytogenetics and Molecular Genetics I
- Molecular Genetics II
- Molecular Genetics III, Biochemical Genetics and future directions of the field

Also we are offering courses for CLG in education
last year Croatia, this year Portugal
(also here all teaching and organizing people are NOT paid!)
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Clinical Laboratory Geneticists

- Online submission system
  Start application
  between July 15th and October 15th each year
- In this year first round of re-registration

- Fees are now 180 Euro for 5 year registration (new)
  100 Euro for 5 year re-registration

- N.B.: The members of the EBMG are NOT paid for the work they do!

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The EBMG is presently about to develop a set of standards and a curriculum for laboratory genetics technicians (LGTS).

To ensure patient safety, the EBMG recommends very strongly that LGTs engaged in genetic testing for clinical purposes should undergo training and education (normally with a duration of 3 years) that includes all those topics in the European curriculum (under development).

N.B.: EBMG is there to check and certify your expertise as a LGT; we do not organize LGT education.
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1- Assessment of the Full Portfolio: 2019

14 full portfolios received. Portfolio assessments were reviewed.
- 6 approved (2GFC, 2 Normal Route, 2 National Route)
- 4 minors (1GFA, 3 Normal Route)
- 2 majors (1GFC, 1 Normal Route)
- 2 failed (1GFC, 1 Normal Route)

Finally 2018-2019:
11 Approved
3 deferral request
2 failed
1 major revision (next year)
activities of branch

Genetic Nurses & Genetics Counsellors

- France: 21
- Spain: 18
- UK: 12
- Norway: 8
- Switzerland: 7
- Ireland: 4
- Belgium: 2
- Italy: 3
- Romania: 1
- Cyprus: 1
- Sweden: 1
- Iceland: 1
- Greece: 1
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The first step to launch a Continuing Medical Education (CME) registry system, which will be recommended for active practitioners was done.

The draft has been revised so far by our sister EBMG Branches, by the ESHG Exec, and is now under consideration of the UEMS Exec. They hope to be able to launch the EBMG BMGG CME Registry system at our meeting during the ESHG meeting in Gothenburg.

Parallel, after a trial exam in Milan in 2018, the UEMS Section of Medical Genetics scheduled the inaugural, first exam of European Diploma in Medical Genetics and Genomics (EDMGG) in Gothenburg, 14th June 2019. This is a joint project with the ESHG and the EBMGG. This is intended to be a knowledge-based excellence assessment tool for medical geneticists primarily in Europe, although it will be open to candidates worldwide. The EDMGG diploma title and degree will be valid for lifetime.

Beside these priorities, we contributed to the Joint Action on Rare Cancers (JARC) WP8 package, the Medical Education.
Thanks for listening.

Questions?