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7th HOPE Congress

Munich, Germany - November 3 - 7, 2010

**Dear Members of HOPE,
Friends and Colleagues,**

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to the 7th HOPE Congress, which will take place in Munich from November 3 to 7, 2010.

The objective of this congress is to provide a forum for the presentation and discussion of best practice in the cooperation between medical, educational and other professionals for the benefit of children and young people with medical needs. Schools in hospital and comparable educational entities have a special role and responsibility within the education system. The congress will also present new developments in medical science and educational frameworks and how they translate into our daily practice.

The European Union is contributing to the congress within the framework of its Lifelong Learning Programme with a financial grant. This means that we can keep the congress fee quite low. For HOPE members the registration fee is 180 € (which includes meals during the event).

In addition we will reimburse participants for travel and/or hotel costs (200 € per person, possibly more; [naturally the reimbursements cannot be higher than actual expenses].) So we hope that many of you will take the opportunity to come to a HOPE congress which takes place this time in a centrally located European city.

Come and share your knowledge and interests. Let's create synergies for our efforts to strengthen the right to education for 'our' children and promote improvements in our field of work. Take the chance to network both professionally and socially, and enjoy the special atmosphere of a European gathering.



We look forward to welcoming you in Munich.

On behalf of the organising committee

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Congress website: www.hope2010munich.eu

Invitation to General Assembly 2010

Uppsala, August 2010

Dear members of HOPE,

You are herewith all officially invited to participate at the 8th General Assembly of HOPE.

It will take place on 4 November, 2010 at 6 – 7 pm, at the Heckscher-Klinikum, Munich, Germany.

In order to save time and to allow you to take an active part in the discussions we send you this special edition of our Newsletter. It includes all necessary documents. All participants are requested to read it carefully and bring it to the General Assembly. Each proposal for suggested change of the agenda must be given in writing to the President no later than fifteen days before the General Assembly.

Gerd Falk-Schalk e-mail: 018.252682@telia.com
President

Proposed **Agenda for the General Assembly – Munich 2010**

Date : **Friday 5th of November, 2010**

Location: **Heckscher – Klinikum, Munich – Germany**

Time: **18.00 – 19.00 hr.**

1	Opening / welcome by the President	estimated time
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2.1	Apologies	5
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Minutes of the last GA in Tampere 2008

Apologies: Mr. Paul Cartier Ms. Necate Donmez Ms. Paula Hicks Ms. Annie Gadrat
 Chairperson: Michael Klemm
 Recording Secretary: Mary McCarron
 Tallyman: Werner Häcker and Klas Brunnander
 The board nominated Secretary: Anja deJong

In accordance with the Statutes – Art 6 - a second general assembly was opened immediately.

Minutes of General Assembly 2006:

The minutes of the last general assembly which took place in London were read and approved

Report of the Committee Meeting:

The report of the committee meeting held in Tampere, 5th June 2008 was read.

Report of the Board:

Ms. Gerd Falk Schalk presented a report on Board activities
 General assembly unanimously approved board activities. There were no abstentions.

Financial Report:

The outgoing Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Christian Lieutenant, presented the accounts for 2006 which were approved unanimously. There were no abstentions.

He reminded each CM to return a list of their members to the board on a regular basis.

Hope subscriptions collected by the CMs must be returned to the treasurer annually

It is unacceptable that these returns be more than a year in arrears.

Ms. Maria Schmidt, Hon. Treasurer presented the financial report for 2007.

Matters Arising: The following matters were raised:

- The problems with electronic transfers were highlighted and lack of uniformity with bank costs.
- Preference for one centralised payment from each country
- Intention to maintain a reserve

The financial report was approved unanimously. There were no abstentions.

Membership fees

Membership fees were discussed

Decision made not to raise the collective membership fee.

The actual fees are proposed as a minimum, additional donations are most welcome!

Workshops:

Ms. Elizabeth Cauchon presented the new workshops

To join workshops, go to www.hospitalteachers.eu and apply online

Workshop 2: Ms. Elizabeth Cauchon is the coordinator. WS is active and available.

Workshop 14: Mr. Michel Kleuters replaces Mr. Hans Courlander.

Workshop 15: The right to education for children with medical needs.

Ms Gerd Falk-Schalk will coordinate the workshop.

Workshops 11 and 18 will be closed.

Workshop 17: Ms. Mojca Topic will launch this workshop and act as temporary coordinator.

Workshop 19: Establishment of a new workshop – TIMSIS

The coordinator is Ms. Christine Walsler.

Election of Officers to the Board:

Three members leave the board:

Ms. Elizabeth Cauchon, Mr. Paul Cartier and Mr. Christian Lieutenant.

There were no new proposals from the CMs.

The following people were re-elected to the Board:

Ms. Gerd Falk-Schalk, Ms. Paula Hicks, Ms. Mojca Topic, Ms. Maria Schmidt,

Mr. Michel Kleuters, Mr. Michele Capurso

Ms. Gerd Falk Schalk was re-elected as president.

Any Other Business:

- The president, Ms. Gerd Falk-Schalk has renewed the Agreement of Collaboration with the Association of Hospital Teachers in Chile and The Latin American and Caribbean Networks of Hospital Teachers, represented in Tampere by Ms. Eneida Simoes de Fonseca.
- It is the decision of the Board that the HOPE statutes be modified and simplified where necessary and presented to the General Assembly in Munich, 2010. As they are connected to Belgian Law, Mr. Christian Lieutenant has offered to act as liaison person between Minister of Justice, Belgium and the Board of HOPE.

HOPE Congress 2010:

Presentation by German Hospital Teachers

The working title is Hospital Schools in Network

Conclusion:

The President thanked Elisabeth Cauchon, Christian Lieutenant and Paul Cartier in his absence for their work for HOPE and looked forward to future, mutually expressed, collaboration and support.

The President also reminded the members to strengthen their efforts to find new members for the Board.

The meeting concluded at 7.30pm.

Activities of the Board

May 2008 – November 2010

HOPE Board Meetings

During the period the Board met statutorily in Tampere, Nijmegen, Ljubljana, Dublin and Zürich. In addition these meetings were supplemented by three meetings on skype.

In all these locations visits were made to the local Hospital Schools.

In Ljubljana, we were kindly invited to meet the Minister of Education, Mr. Igor Luksic with whom we had a good discussion and sought his support for the work of HOPE and the hospital teachers in Slovenia.

In Zurich we met Mr Peter Kaegi from the Department of Special Needs Education, Ministry of Education of the Kanton Zurich, again this provided an opportunity to promote the work of HOPE and seek support for the local Hospital teachers.

HOPE and National Organisations Events

Members of the Board together with Committee Members have also organised, participated in or supported seminars and spread information about HOPE through the following events/activities:

- In Orebro, Sweden, 2009, biannual meeting of the Swedish Hospital Teachers' Association
- In Milano, Italy, in 2009 and 2010, Annual meeting of the Associazione Gioco e Studio in Ospedale (AGESO)
- In Grosseto, Italy, in 2009, at the 2° bi-annual meeting on Narratives "LE STORIE SIAMO NOI"
- In Ancona, Italy, in 2009, at the technical seminar "Teledidattica al servizio dello Studente ospitalizzato"
- In Aviano, Italy, in 2010, at the multidisciplinary training course "Bambini in Ospedale" - at the Regional Cancer Hospital
- In Perugia, Italy, in 2010, at the E-spices final conference "Best Practice in Intercultural and Institutional communication"
- In the 2009 annual meeting of Ziezon (National Network in the Netherlands)
- In Ljubljana, Slovenia 2010, "Open days in Ledina Hospital School"
- In Maastricht, the Netherlands, 2010, 10th Anniversary of Ziezon (National Network in the Netherlands) a two-day congress for all colleagues in the Netherlands and in Flanders (Belgium) and other professionals involved in hospital teaching. The president of HOPE held a special speech realised by video-conference.
- In Munich, Germany, 7th HOPE congress 2010 organised by HOPE-Germany and two German schools in hospital.

Publications/Promotional Material

Six Newsletters were issued during this period:

- A report from the Congress in Finland.
- A country report from Australia.
- The workshops of HOPE.
- Two thematic newsletters about Psychiatry (ed. Belgium) and Multiculturalism (ed. Israel).
- A special edition with invitations and documents in preparation for the General Assembly in Munich.

Written articles about HOPE including contributions to publications.

We would like to thank Ziezon for offering and sending out the Professional Profile for Hospital Teachers (O.H. Mourik) to all Committee Members.

Ziezon were also responsible for designing and printing a beautiful box of postcards, works of art by our pupils from several countries. These postcards will be for sale at various HOPE events and the expectation is that we can raise some funds to support the work of HOPE.

A new logo has been designed and is already in use. A motto - *Continuity in Education* - has been added. The logo now unites the familiar blue field with yellow squares (alluding to the European flag) and the (more ascending) green arch over the acronym (in more modern font) with the full name of HOPE and the above mentioned motto in the symbolic shape of an open book (in reference to education).

The HOPE website

The migration of the TIMSIS material to a new server and the changeover to a new system ("Wordpress") has been completed. The HOPE website will also be transferred to this system within the next year. All our addresses will remain unchanged. We thank Mr. Fabrizio Mencarini for his continued work on developing and maintaining the website.

Collaboration with the Committee of HOPE.

Communication and collaboration with the organizers of the congress in Munich has also meant enhanced outreach work to support the Country Coordinators (The Committee of HOPE) in their work to make all colleagues in their countries aware of the Congress and to support them to find new members.

Support has also been given to countries to form own national organisations.

The biannual questionnaire to the Committee members has been sent out for 2010. The intention of which is to keep track of the status of hospital schools among member countries. The results will be discussed in Munich and published in a Newsletter.

The European Network of Ateliers

Members of the Board are active leaders of workshops in the HOPE network of ateliers

INGO Status Update

Written answers on request to the Council of Europe (CoE) regarding financing of the Conference of the International Non-Governmental Organisations (INGOs) and the role of the INGOs in Europe during the next 10 years.

Continued work on the Survey aiming at finding a common European strategy for the educational rights of children/youth with medical needs.

A summary of the Survey has been put up on the web area of workshop 15, likewise the scanned documents from the European Ministries of Education that sent answers to the Survey.

- From July 1, 2010 HOPE is listed as an INGO with the CoE entitled to lodge complaints against violations of the European Social Charter.
- We thank Günther W. Brehm (founding member and former Board member) for representing us in the CoE sessions in Strasbourg.

Project Proposals

The board participated in the following EU proposals:

Science in Society; Action 1.0-1 Mobilisation and Mutual Learning Actions

Proposal full title: Developing European Public awareness of immunology and its significance for health

Status: This proposal was coordinated by Trinity College Dublin, but unfortunately was not successful in securing funding.

And further in the planning stages of other projects.

In Tampere, May 2008 two agreements were signed by the President of HOPE and the President of REDLACEH (Red Latinoamericana y del Caribe de Pedagogía Hospitalaria) The agreements relate to HOPE collaborating and offering expertise to developing hospital education across these areas.

REDLACEH have requested the support of HOPE in undertaking a survey on hospital education across Europe. This work will be in collaboration with the University of Barcelona and the aim would be to compare with a view to improving structures where appropriate and working towards developing a common framework across both regions (Latin America and Europe). This work is still under negotiation.

Conclusion: we find that we have worked according to the aims and proposed activities to attain these aims (Statutes, article 3):

- ✓ the organisation, the participation of/at its congresses, seminars and meetings
- ✓ the publication of Newsletters and an internet site
- ✓ the sending of letters to those responsible for the teaching at a local level, national and European.
- ✓ the participation and co-ordination of European projects to put in place the management of a network of ateliers)

We ask the General Assembly to release these activities to the Board.

Financial Report by the Treasurer

opening balance January 1, 2008 **11.883,68 €**

expenses 2008		
website		450,00 €
Congress '08		439,20 €
Meetings		1.554,00 €
bank fees		48,67 €
CoE		120,00 €
other		1.270,00 €
		3.881,87 €

revenue 2008		
7.150,73 €		membership fees
600,00 €		donation (single donor)
10,00 €		Profile book donations
250,00 €		Timsis porting
1.270,00 €		other
9.280,73 €		

net **5.398,86 €**

closing balance December 31, 2008 **17.282,54 €**

opening balance January 1, 2009 **17.282,54 €**

expenses 2009		
website		377,58 €
PR material		892,50 €
Meetings		2.598,94 €
bank fees		12,90 €
CoE		614,00 €
other		25,00 €
		4.520,92 €
		net 2.439,13 €

revenue 2009		
6.152,09 €		membership fees
350,00 €		donation (single donor)
175,00 €		Profile book donations
257,96 €		other donations
25,00 €		other
6.960,05 €		

closing balance December 32, 2009 **19.721,67 €**



Proxy voting form 2010

I
.....

(full name in capital letters)

from

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(full address and country)

being a member of HOPE

hereby appoint

(name of person you want to give your right to vote to)

or failing him / her I appoint

(a second name in case the previous person won't be able to vote)

as my proxy to vote in my name and on my behalf at the regular / extraordinary general assembly of the association to be held in Munich on 5 November, 2010 at 6 – 7 pm, at the Heckscher-Klinikum, Munich, Germany and at any adjournment thereof.

(date)

(signature)

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