



Dear MEDINE2 member

Welcome to this newsletter for the MEDINE2 Erasmus Academic Network for Medical Education in Europe. It marks our first full year of operation as a Network. 2010 has seen a great deal of activity within the project, including the General Partners Meeting in Edinburgh and more recently, a series of work package meetings to move their activities forward. Informal feedback concerning the operation of the Network, from within and outside, has been favourable, and our interactions with the European Commission Executive Agency have been very positive so far. The most immediate challenge is to prepare our interim report, due in February 2011, and our Project Officer, Carol Telford, is working very hard with the work package leaders and myself to pull this together in good time.

As Coordinator I am extremely grateful to all of the members who have given their time and energy to help us to reach our current position. I would particularly mention the work package leaders, who have all worked extremely hard to pull their teams together, and to make progress on the workplans and deliverables as described in the Project plan. There is still a great deal of work required to complete the schedule on time by 2012, but I think we have come a long way. I'm very optimistic that we can reach a highly successful conclusion that will leave a lasting impact on medical education in Europe and beyond.

Finally can I wish everyone involved a very happy "festive period" and a successful and enjoyable year in 2011.

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Coordinator, MEDINE2 Erasmus Academic Network

General Partners Meeting 2011

The General Partners Meeting for 2011 will be held at Semmelweis University in Budapest, Hungary. The meeting will start with a welcome reception in the evening of the 19th of May and will finish at lunch time on the 21st of May. Registration for the event will open at the start of 2011, so please look out for further information.

All project partners will be able to send one representative who will be eligible to have their travel expenses and two nights of accommodation paid by the project.

The meeting will be an excellent opportunity for partners to hear how the various work packages are progressing and how they can become further involved in the project activities.



Progress Report to be Submitted to the European Commission

MEDINE2 is approaching the end of its first 18 months of activity. At this stage, the Commission requests that we submit a full progress report detailing what has been achieved so far in the project. The project coordinator's office will be very busy preparing these reports along with the help of work package leaders.

In addition, all partners will be sent an email asking for some small details and updates which will help to complete the reports. Your assistance with this would be greatly appreciated.



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Work Package Meetings Held

All the developmental work packages have now held their meetings for 2011. The meetings held were as follows:



- WP1 and 2 had a joint meeting on the 28th and 29th of October in Berlin
- WP3 met on the 11th and 12th of October in Krakow
- WP4 met on 6th and 7th of December In Antwerp
- WP 5 and WP6 met during the AMEE meeting in Glasgow (4-8th September)
- WP7 met on 10th September in Madrid

Updates from each work package and further information has been added to the project website, so we would encourage you to check there for recent information.



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