



**EUROPEAN FORUM  
OF MEDICAL  
ASSOCIATIONS (EFMA)**  
Riga, Latvia, 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2013

**EFMA Forum**  
21-22 March 2013  
Hotel "Islande", Kipsalas street 20  
Riga, Latvia

# PROGRAM

## Thursday 21st March

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| <p><b>08.00 – 8.30</b>    <b>Registration</b></p> <p><b>08.30 – 10.00</b>    <b>Session for Medical Journal Publishers and Creative Directors</b><br/>Chair – Dr. Peteris Apinis and Prof. Edgaras Stankevičius<br/><i>Leaders of National Medical Association's are welcome to participate</i><br/>Dr. Peteris Apinis, Latvian Medical Association<br/><i>The role of medical journals in medical society</i></p> <p><b>08.30 – 10.00</b>    <b>Workshop: Psychosomatic Health – Challenge and Opportunity</b><br/>Workshop Chair – Dr. Gunta Ancane and Dr. Thomas Loew<br/>Dr. Gunta Ancane, assoc. prof., Association of European Physicians for Psychosomatic Medicine and Psychotherapy<br/><i>Introduction. Psychosomatic Health Care in Latvia</i><br/>Dr. Bernhard Palmowski, Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine and Psychotherapy, Berlin (APM)<br/><i>Somatisation, a Challenge for the Health Care System</i><br/>Dr. Matthias Rose, PD, Charité – University Medicine in Berlin<br/><i>The Psychosomatic Approach and its Contribution to Medical Care</i><br/>Dr. Christian Fazekas, PD, University Hospital Graz<br/><i>Psychosomatic Medicine, Economic Aspects of Psychosomatic Morbidity</i><br/>Dr. Thomas Loew, prof, University Hospital Regensburg<br/><i>How much Psychosomatic Medicine needs Europe and what the AEPM could account for it</i></p> <p><b>10.00 – 10.30</b>    <i>Coffee Break</i></p> <p><b>10.30 – 12.30</b>    <b>Workshop: Medical Publishing and Social Media</b><br/>Workshop Chair: Dr. Peteris Apinis and Dr. Michael Wilks<br/>Dr. Peteris Apinis, Latvian Medical Association<br/><i>Medical journals and creative web sites as Public health driving force in Europe</i><br/>Ms Marie Lepeigne-Cobo, Web Producer, WHO-Europe<br/><i>WHO-Europe's social media journey</i><br/>Dr. Heinrich Stüwe, Editor-in-chief of Deutsches Ärzteblatt<br/><i>The Medical Journal of Germany - Activities in the www and in social media</i><br/>Dr. Izet Masic, Bosnia and Herzegovina<br/><i>Plagiarism</i></p> | <p><b>12.30 – 14.00</b>    <i>Lunch</i></p> <p><b>14.00 – 15.00</b>    <b>Opening Ceremony</b><br/>Leah Wapner, EFMA Secretary General<br/>Svenja Herrmann, WHO Regional Office for Europe</p> <p><b>15.00 – 15.45</b>    <b>Session I<br/>Healthy Professionals</b><br/>Mental health of doctors, auto medication, drug/alcohol abuse, burn out on the one hand, prevention and support on the other.<br/>Session Chairs: Dr. Ramin Parsa-Parsi and Dr. Jacques de Haller<br/>Dr. Klaus Beelmann, Hamburg State Chamber of Physicians<br/><i>Support rather than punishment - the Hamburg State Chamber of Physicians' intervention programme for addicted physicians</i><br/>Dr. Jacques de Haller, Swiss Medical Association<br/><i>A study on physicians' burnout in Switzerland and a project to support colleagues in difficulties</i></p> <p><b>15.45 – 16.15</b>    <i>Coffee Break</i></p> <p><b>16.15 – 17.00</b>    <b>Session I<br/>Healthy Professionals</b><br/>Dr. Matt Muijen, World Health Organisation<br/><i>The WHO Mental Health Action Plan</i></p> <p><b>Panel Discussion</b><br/>Dr. Yoram Blachar, Israel<br/><i>The joint ethical convention of The Israeli Medical Association and Pharmaceutical Companies operating in Israel</i></p> |
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## Social Event Program

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| <p>18.00</p> <p>18.10</p> <p>19.00 – 22.00</p> <p>22.00</p> <p>22.30 – 00.00</p> <p>~ 00.01</p> | <p>Meet at "Islande" Hotel ground floor reception</p> <p>Transfer from "Islande" Hotel to Opera House</p> <p>Opera "Toska"</p> <p>Transfer from Opera House to Latvian Medical Association</p> <p>Welcome dinner at Latvian Medical Association, Skolas street 3</p> <p>Transfer to "Islande" Hotel</p> |
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## Friday 22nd March

09.00 – 10.30 **Session II  
Doctors and the Pharmaceutical Industry**

Session Chairs: Prof André Herchuelz and Dr Egidio Cepulic  
Prof. Roland Lemye, Association Belge des Syndicats médicaux  
*Cooperation between medical profession & pharmaceutical industry*

Mr. Richard Bergström, European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and associations  
*The need for better transparency around data, and about collaboration between pharmaceutical companies and healthcare professionals*

Dr. Maša Bulajić, Croatian Institute for Health Insurance  
*Challenges to drugs policy and market access in developing countries*

Prof. André Herchuelz, Conseil National de l'Ordre des Médecins  
*Good governance of non-prescription drugs*

### Panel Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee Break*

11.00 – 11.30 Workshop Reports

11.30 – 12.30 **Session III  
Professional Autonomy and Self-Governance**

Session Chairs: Dr Otmar Kloiber and Dr Yoram Blachar  
Adv. Leah Wapner, Israeli Medical Association  
*Aspects and functions of Professional Autonomy and Self-Regulation*

Dr. Katrin Fjeldsted, Standing Committee of European Doctors  
*Providing health care in the best interest of our patients - how much independence is necessary?*

Annabel Seebohm, Legal Advisor World Medical Association  
*Current trends: Medical Self-Administration in the EU – Subject to Pressure of Legitimization?*

12.30 – 14.00 *Lunch*

14.00 – 15.00 **Session III  
Professional autonomy and Self-Governance**

### Panel Discussion

15:00 – 15:15 EMSA Report

Sofia Ribeiro *European Medical Students' Organization*

15:15 – 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:45 **Country Reports**

Chairs: Dr Reiner Brettenthaler and Arun Nanda

*Slovak Medical Association*

Dr. Irina Sebova

*Swedish Medical Association*

Dr. Marie Wedin

*Latvian Medical Association*

Dr. Maija Radzina, President of Latvian Junior Doctor Association

16.45 – 17.30 **Closing Ceremony**

WHO report – Arun Nanda,  
Senior Strategy & Policy Advisor,  
WHO Regional Office for Europe

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18.00 Meet at "Islande" Hotel ground floor reception

18.10 Transfer from "Islande" Hotel to Old Riga

18.30 – 19.30 Riga city tour (excursion with tour guide, destination – Pauls Stradins Museum of the History of Medicine)

19.30 – 23.00 Visit in Pauls Stradins Museum of the History of Medicine, followed by Gala Dinner

~ 23.00 Transfer to "Islande" Hotel

