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Presidents Column - Spring 2013



First of all, Even if we have consumed more than three months of this year I wish you all a nice and prosperous 2013.

I thank you all for all seasonal greetings and for the good work you all are doing in each national organizations and also internationally. Our work is a benefit for all persons involved and our scope is to make the world a better place to be born into.

I would like to see some new national bodies to join the partnership of IFHE, but first of all it is important to work hard in order to keep all the members within the organization.

It can be various reasons for not being a keen member of IFHE.

Feedback from the national organization it very important to measure how well we succeed in cooperation and in the main goals:

- To promote, develop and disseminate hospital engineering technology.
- To compare international experience
- To promote the principle of integrated planning, design and evaluation by improved collaboration between the professions.
- To promote more efficient management of operations, maintenance and safety of hospitals, their engineering installations, equipment and buildings
- To offer collaboration with other international organizations

The EXCO and Council meeting in Malaysia , Kuala Lumpur, September 2013, is in progress and general secretary in collaboration with former gen secretary, Bernard Shapiro have a running dialogue with BEAM's Tauran Zaidi. I am sure it will be a successful meeting.

I hope that we can have a focus on one of the most serious issues this days; the environment of mother earth. Gunnar Baekken has written to all EXCO member and presented suggestion to an agenda to get input to make the meeting worth to join. The administrative secretariat in Portsmouth have informed all the national bodies about this meeting Hope that every national organization will see the value of being represented in Kuala Lumpur.

We have also had a very close dialogue with WHO in Geneva. Paul Merlevede have joined the Executive Board of WHO 19- 21 January . His report will be presented later in this Newsletter.

IFHE Europe will have their annual meeting in Bern, Switzerland 9 – 11 April 2013.

The president intend to join their congress as a representative for IFHE.

Paul will also be there, but this time he is the Gen. Secr. of IFHE Europe.

IFHE have as before, a close cooperation with IHEEM secretariat in Portsmouth.

I am glad to announce that we have signed a new contract to continue the good work

From Argentina we have got reports that they have strict control of the next international Congress in Buenos Aires 12 – 16 October 2014.

I wish you all a perfect season and for those who are going towards vacations, fill up your batteries and come back strong with full strength and positive attitudes.

Your sincerely

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President IFHE



Report From the Canadian Healthcare Engineering Society (CHES)

It's been a busy winter in Canada, as a lot of focus has been on the personal development of our members across the country. We have recently held our Canadian Healthcare Construction Course in Regina, Saskatchewan and Calgary, Alberta. The next course is scheduled for Ottawa, Ontario in October. We also have four webinars planned for the next six months covering a number of subjects including Green HVAC, Disaster Management, Mould Remediation and Leadership.

We are excited that our "Benchmarking 2.0" project is complete and in operation. In 2012 CHES partnered with the American Society of Healthcare Engineers (ASHE) and the Healthcare Institute (HCI), an affiliate of the International Facility Management Association (IFMA) in a healthcare facilities maintenance and operation benchmarking project called Benchmarking 2.0. For those that participated in Benchmarking 2.0, you already know that It is available for use at hci.IFMA.org. For those that did not participate and for those that did as well, a published report will be available in April 2013.

CHES has also signed a partnership agreement with the Canadian College of Healthcare Leaders (CCHL). We are proud of this partnership and look forward to working together with CCHL in the future.

We are now working towards a credentialing standard for Healthcare Facility Management. We hope that this will be another valuable benefit to our members.

Our CHES National Conference is scheduled for September 22-24, 2013. Please see our website ches.org for details so you can join us!

Respectfully submitted

Steve Rees, CFM

Report B 132 Meeting in Geneva: 21 Jan- 29 Jan 2013

Monday 21 Jan:

Opening EB meeting. The EB is normally for member states: they discuss the different agenda points. The NGO's can bring an intervention on an agenda point. The NGO's cannot discuss (for decision) the agenda points. In the meeting the NGO's do not sit together with the member states. The NGO's are sitting in an upper level , but in the same big meeting room. The member states are sitting in the zero level with table and microphone.

In the late afternoon I also had meeting with WHO DTO (designated technical officer : IFHE contact person in WHO) about the IFHE 'intervention' at the EB.

Tuesday morning: meeting with WHO DTO : changing the IFHE request referring to agenda point 10.3: health coverage : final document is ready. See attachment.

Noon: contact and discussion with the treasurer IFMBE international federation of Medical and Biomedical engineering (he is also professor) together with WHO DTO : discussing the 'working field' of both organizations. May be one 'overlapping activity is medical apparatus and patient safety. good contacts. He is living in Belgium-Brussels and he is specialized in e-Health. It will be good to have some more contacts with this organization.

In the evening there was a meeting (only for WHO responsables like our WHO DTO, a few EB members about further collaboration with IFHE, and also with other organizations, looking to the past and looking to the future). In the past there were less contacts and WHO did not visit our meetings and congresses. Now it is



better because IFHE has a liaison and a collaboration plan and WHO has now a good and active DTO (designated technical officer Adriana).

Wednesday: EB meeting the whole day

Result of the meeting yesterday evening : IFHE will stay on board of WHO for one year till the adjusted collaboration plan is achieved. Next year the EB commission will decide for further collaboration. As our WHO DTO told me, normally there will be no problem for reason IFHE will support collaboration and IFHE will deliver some experience and knowledge for the update of the existing book about hospitals and medical care institutions (polyclinics, first aid) .After this, the collaboration will be reviewed every three or four years. The reason is that in previous time WHO had no good DTO's .

Thursday: morning : meeting with WHO DTO about fine - tuning of our collaboration plan. Results : see attachments

Friday: Agenda shows that 10.3 will be treated at the EB meeting . Result at the end of the day: 10.3 not treated !!The EB stopped about 17.30 u with point 10.2 (had a very long discussion about budgets....) . And 10.3 will not be treated on tomorrow Saturday !! Why: I don't know !! The agenda changes every day– they do not follow the normal sequence in the agenda. May be 10.3 will come on next week. But then I had to be back for other meetings in Belgium.

Today the EB members states had a very long discussion about financial matters for research (more than three hours: in principle was this not directly interesting for IFHE and other organizations. May be interesting for 'commercial' NGO's (like pharmaceutical ...research institutes,..)

Saturday: The EB decides effectively that IFHE will stay on board. EB meeting stops at 12.30 u. In the afternoon there was a meeting for the member states about WHO reform (how to keep WHO still accurate and how to position the WHO -organization in order to 'better address ' the increasing complex challenges of health in the 21 st century. The EB told that Who had still to act as the directing and coordinating authority on international health work.

Points of interest: results of the visit to Geneva:

It was necessary to go there:

- For the fine tuning of the IFHE intervention: good for bringing IFHE closer to the WHO-board
- To review further collaboration: discussing the practical interpretation of collaboration in an efficient way in the next future(like updating book, review of certain documents like 'waste management' –now nearly finished and IFHE can read this paper to see if this information is correct and complete and also to see if there nothing forgotten...) In all this cases the name IFHE will always appears in the book or booklet or....
- To strengthen contacts and to get more confidence to WHO and member states (IFHE is listed in the attendance list of this EB meeting – so member states can see this.)
- I saw that most of the NGO's keep good and regular contacts with WHO
- To see the WHO-people with whom we have contact.
- To make new contacts
- IFHE is recommended in the EB meeting, so member states agreed IFHE as NGO in official relations with WHO. IMPORTANT
- I saw and I read the agenda and the reports :there are a lot of things we can do to achieve the aims WHO and the member states will obtain for different medical problems(from vaccination till hospitals.). So this can encourage IFHE to offer time and knowledge to the WHO/member states



requests. I think the area's we can help WHO are review of WHO articles, updating the book, may be some work in the field for special projects, infrastructure to get better work-efficiency hygiene, technical management,.. About agenda point 6.1 , the member states Lithuania and Mongolia had an intervention telling they will promote technical installations, insurances, Tabaco control and palliative care. Also other member states will encourage the idea that WHO will strenghtnen this relations. The whole EB meeting finally agrees with these statements.

- We are started in a good way, together with an efficient DTO: the train is started, in the beginning a bit slowly, but now a bit fasterlet's go!

Paul Merlevede

Liaison IFHE-WHO

IFHE Digest 2014 Guidance for authors

The IFHE Digest 2014 will examine a wide range of topics covering the optimal running of healthcare facilities. Authors considering contributing an article should, in the first instance, email a synopsis, in English, of about 200 words to the editor at Step Communications (ifhe.editorial@stepcomms.com). The synopsis should be received no later than **30 May 2013**.

When the go-ahead for contributing has been given, the author must confirm that the article deadline (**30 June 2013**) will be met. Confirmation should be sent to ifhe.editorial@stepcomms.com

The full article must be written in English with a length of between 1,500 and 2,500 words. Brand/company names should not be mentioned repeatedly.

Article text should be typed using double line spacing with wide margins on each side of the page and with a space between each paragraph. The completed article, saved in a Microsoft Word document, should be sent to ifhe.editorial@stepcomms.com with relevant illustrations – these should be high-resolution jpeg images (minimum of 300 dpi and at least 75 mm wide) or contained within a Microsoft PowerPoint file.

A biographical note, of about 100 words, for each author should be submitted together with a high-resolution photograph of each author.

References must be listed in sequential order. If a published article is the subject of a reference, the surname and initials of each author must be included, along, as applicable, with the year of publication, the title of the article, the name of the publication (in full and italicised), the volume number, the part number (in brackets) and the page numbers. For example: Tennant R., Marsh P.L., Smitherson T.A. 2008 New approaches to hospital ventilation *International Journal of Hospital Ventilation* 19 (4) 145-148.

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Acoustics / noise reduction
Architecture / building design
Building management systems
Catering (equipment and services)
Construction (including modular build)
Decontamination
Emergency strategies
Energy (management, efficiency, power generation, 'green' technologies, reduction of emissions)
Facilities management (reflecting latest trends)
Fire safety
Indoor air quality
Infection control / isolation facilities
Information technology

Maintenance
Medical gases
Operating theatres (design and maintenance)
Patient communication / entertainment
Radiology (implications of technology advances for facilities)
Security
Storage (optimising and new approaches)
Sustainability
Training
Ventilation
Washrooms
Waste handling and streaming
Water systems
Wayfinding



Lighting

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF HOSPITAL ENGINEERING (IFHE) COUNCIL MEETING NO.46 – ADVANCE NOTICE

Dear National member organizations

Advance notice is given that Council meeting no.46 will be held on Tuesday 10 September 2013 at Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, prior to the BEAM International Conference on Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 September 2013.

Appended hereto are two documents:

1. Letter from Mr Tauran Zaidi, BEAM President, welcoming IFHE Executive Committee and Council members to Malaysia. This provides information about the proposed programme for the period 7 to 12 September; facts on Malaysia; travel and recommended hotels.
2. 2013 Hospital Engineering International Conference. This describes conference objectives; call for papers; tentative programme; registration; hotel information/reservation.

BEAM has been requested to indicate whether National member organizations' duly accredited Council representatives may expect concessions in regard to the BEAM conference registration fee, and accommodation costs. This information will be conveyed when available.

You are requested to indicate, as soon as possible, whether, as an 'A' member organization, it is your intention to be represented at the Council meeting, and, if so, to confirm the identity of your accredited Council representatives. Your early response will assist in determining the numbers of attendees, and in the making of appropriate arrangements. Please reply to the General Secretary, copy to the IFHE Administrative Secretariat in Portsmouth.

The notice officially convening the Council meeting, with accompanying documents, will be sent in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Gunnar Baekken

IFHE General Secretary

EVENTS CALENDAR

IFHE members are invited to submit information regarding forthcoming events for publication.

2013

09 April

IFHE – Europe Council meeting: Kursaal, Bern, Switzerland

10-12 April

5th European Conference for Hospital Engineering, Kursaal Culture & Congress Centre, Bern, Switzerland. www.eche2013.ch

15-17 April

FSTL Arsmote, Rica Forum Hotel Stavanger, Norway

18-19 April

NVTG Congress Evoluon, Eindhoven, Netherlands "Ondernemen Zorg: "De Toekomst!?"
www.nvtg.nl

29-31 May

Congreso Internacional de Arquitectura e Ingenierías Hospitalarias "La Arquitectura y la Ingeniería hospitalarias en función de la seguridad biológica e sus incidencias en el medio ambiente" Havana, Cuba www.cainh2013.unaicc.cu www.comitecainh.unaicc.cu

19-21 June

IHF 53rd National conference Parc Flora, Paris, France. www.ihf.fr

20-21 June

Krankenhaustechnika 2013 Im Frauenhofer inHaus Centrum, Duisburg, Germany. www.fkt.de

21 June

VTDV Congress 2013. Kortrijk, Belgium, www.VTDV.be



- 21-24 July **ASHE 50th Annual Conference and Technical Exhibition**, Atlanta, Georgia, USA
ashe@aha.org; www.ashe.org
- 4-7 September **ABDEH V Congresso** “Ambientes de Saúde: Projetos, Práticas e Perspectivas.” Bourbon Convention Ibirapuera Avenida Ibirapuera, 2.927, São Paulo SP Brasil. www.abdeh2012.com
- 09 September **IFHE Executive Committee meeting 38** Kuala Lumpur Conference Centre (KLCC)
- 10 September **IFHE Council meeting 46** Kuala Lumpur, Conference Centre (KLCC)
- 11-12 September **BEAM Hospital Engineering Conference** “Empowering Facility Management in Healthcare Engineering” Kuala Lumpur Conference Centre (KLCC) Putrajaya, Malaysia.
- 22-24 September **CHES 33rd Annual Conference**, Scotiabank Convention Centre, Niagara Falls Ontario, Canada .
“Powering into the future”. ches@eventsmgt.com. www.ches.org
- 24 -27 September **OVKT Tagung 2013** Pörschach am Wörthersee, Austria www.oevkt.at
- 24-28 September **UIA / PHG International Union of Architects / Public Health Group Forum. GUPPA** - Global University Programs in Healthcare Architecture Meeting Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
: www.iidexcanada.com/uia-phg-healthcareforum/
- 09 -12 October **IHEA Healthcare Facilities Management Conference**. “Planning for the future”. Sheraton on the Park , Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. www.ihea.org.au admin@icebergevents.com.au
- ? October **SIAIS** - ????
- 08-09 October **IHEEM Healthcare Estates Conference & Exhibition**, Manchester Central Convention Centre
Call for Papers office@iheem.org.uk www.iheem.org.uk
- 23-24 October **HEAJ 38th Annual Conference and HOSPEX JAPAN 2013**. Tokyo Big Site International Conference and Exhibition Centre, Adaiba, Japan. www.heaj.org
- 05-08 November **AADAIH 24th Latin American Congress for Hospital Architecture and Engineering** “ La Salud en la Diversidad Cultural”, Centro Cultural Julio LeParc, Mendoza , Argentina www.aadaih.com.ar
- 16 November **HEALTHCARE DESIGN 2013** Gaylord Palms Resort. Orlando, Flórida. USA www.healthdesign.org
- 20-22 November **NZIHE National Conference** “Thinking outside the square”, Lincoln University , Christchurch, New Zealand. www.nzihe.org.nz

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- September **WGKT Technik im Krankenhaus TK 2014** . Hannover , Germany www.wgkt.de
- 28-30 September **CHES 34th Annual Conference**. Saint John Trade & Convention Centre, Saint John , New Brunswick, Canada.
- 27-29 August **ABDEH 2014 VI Congresso**, Florianópolis, Santa Catarina, Brasil www.abdeh.org.br
- 11 October **IFHE Executive Committee meeting 39** Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 12 October **IFHE Council meeting 47** Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 13-16 October **IFHE 23rd Congress** organized by AADAIH at UCA University Av Alicia Moreau de Justo 1300 Buenos Aires, Argentina. “Healthcare Facilities in times of Radical Changes”
- 02-04 November **FSTL Hostmote**, Rica Nidelven Hotel, Trondheim

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- 16 April **IFHE Executive Committee meeting 40**, Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 17 April **IFHE Council meeting 48** Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 18-20 April **IFHE 24th Congress** organised by NVTG at the World Forum, The Hague, Netherlands.
“Healthcare Engineering creating effective and efficient care world-wide“.

IFHE AND ‘A’ NATIONAL MEMBERS’ WEBSITES

Members are requested to keep IFHE informed about changes in contact details and website addresses.

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