

THE ADOLESCENCE OF EASOM

observations / conclusions / recommendations

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Secretary General of EASOM

30th of March, 2001 – 1st of September, 2011

THE BOARD IN MARCH 2001

- **Giuliano Franco**
- **John Harrison**
- **Raphael Masschelein (Chairman)**
- **Bente Moen**
- **André Weel**
- **Giorgio Assennato**
- **Alain Cantineau**
- **Helmut Krueger**
- **Marek Mikulski.**

ACTIVITIES 2001

- **Leonardo Project RISK COMMUNICATION with workers about health and safety issues**
- **First SUMMER SCHOOL in Dresden:**

*Communication of Occupational Health Physicians to
workers on health issues*

Completion of the Leonardo project 1999 - 2001

ACTIVITIES 2002

- **Final Report of the Leonardo Project RISK COMMUNICATION**
- **Second SUMMER SCHOOL in Newcastle:**
Problem-Based Teaching and Evidence-Based Occupational Medicine
- **The visibility of EASOM: should we go for multidisciplinary?**
- **A domain has been bought for www.easom.org**
- **Initiative for members' curricula survey**

ACTIVITIES 2003

- **Third SUMMER SCHOOL in Zürich:**
Concepts of E-sharing
- **New LEONARDO plan: disadvantaged groups**
- **Proposal for a Summer School for students**
- **May: first EASOM Bulletin with a critical appraisal of Ten Years EASOM by Raphael Masschelein**
- **John Harrison elected as EASOM chairman**

ACTIVITIES 2004

- **Fourth SUMMER SCHOOL in Belgrade:**

*Continuing Medical Education in Occupational
Medicine, from a European perspective*

- **Project Occupational Health META-WORLD
rejected**
- **EASOM website maintenance established in
Belgrade**
- **General Assembly rejects two members' applications**

ACTIVITIES 2005

- **Fifth SUMMER SCHOOL in Helsinki:**

Multidisciplinarity and its consequences for training in occupational health

- **Conflicting opinions about criteria for membership**
- **Start of my second term as a Board member / SG**
- **No progression with new LEONARDO proposals**
- **Five members schools behind in payment of fee**
- **Assembly accepts new criteria for membership**
- **Assembly appoints first financial audit committee**

KRISTINA AND JANINE



KRISTINA AND BARBARA



TRIP TO SUOMENLINNA



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SAUNASAARI



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ANDRÉ AND OLLI



ELENA-ANA



ANDRÉ AND JEAN-FRANÇOIS



LIBERTÉ, ÉGALITÉ ET FRATERNITÉ



NOKS AND ANDRÉ



ACTIVITIES 2006

- **Sixth SUMMER SCHOOL in Torre Canne near Bari:**

Teaching occupational epidemiology

- **Board meeting in Zagreb with a lot of apologies**
- **Kristiina Mukala new EASOM president**
- **A plan for an audit system of schools, like ASPHER**
- **A plan for a European Module of Occupational Epidemiology**

TORRE CANNE AT THE ADRIATIC SEA



GROUP WORK



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GIORGIO ASSENNATO



EWAN, JOHN AND DANIELA



GIORGIO AND KRISTINA



ACTIVITIES 2007

- **Seventh SUMMER SCHOOL in Zaragoza:**
Teaching management of mental health problems
- **Revision of terms of Board membership**
- **Draft of Epidemiology Module; planning of a try-out**

OPENING CEREMONY



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JAC AND KRISTIINA



BEGOÑA DISCUSSING



KRISTINA AND JAC



KRISTIINA AND SIBEL



ACTIVITIES 2008

- **Eighth SUMMER SCHOOL in Amsterdam:**

Teaching evidence-based occupational medicine

- **Joint meeting with UEMS and WHO in Belgrade 7-8 November** *”to strengthen mutual cooperation and impact of occupational medicine in Europe and to clarify common and specific areas of interest”*

Rokho Kim: the WHO’s perspective:

* from occupational health to workers’ health

* the workplace as access to health improvement of the working population

- **EASOM leaflet in English, French, German**

BARBARA NEMITZ
5 JAN 1949 – 9 JAN 2009



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Dear EASOM - colleagues ,

I felt very happy about your greetings and sympathies I received in august.

Stunningly I could enjoy some months of relative physical stability.

Currently I am physically getting worse, so I had to ask my friend and colleague Dieter Weigel to transfer my greetings to you.

I wish all of you a healthy, happy and successful New Year.

Yours

Barbara Nemitz

January 2nd 2009

ACTIVITIES 2009

- **Ninth SUMMER SCHOOL in Linz:**

The workplace as a teaching environment

- **Recommendations for workplace visits**
- **My third term as a Board member / SG**
- **Robbery in Anderlecht 13th of December, 2009**

LINZ: DISCUSSION OF RESULTS



REPORT FROM PAPER FACTORY

5. Long working hours (12 h shifts)
 6. Unsafe situations due to replacements for maintenance
 7. Smoking inside
- Expected risks during paper production

1. Noise → NITL and bad communication
2. High temperatures & humidity level
3. Vigilance tasks
4. Paper breakdown → safety risks
5. Chemical exposure (not specified)
6. Microbiological exposure (not specified)

Safety policies and practices

1. High level of awareness
2. Personal protective equipment
3. Instruction, training and supervision
4. Emergency power supply

Application for education purposes

20 CHECK RISK WITH COMPANY DOCTOR, SAFETY ENGINEER...
ASSESSMENT



AFTER THE SESSIONS ...



HEAVY RAINS ...



WORKPLACE SALZKAMMERGUT



ROBBERY

From the minutes of the Board Meeting in Brussels

14 Dec 2009

KM opens and welcomes all present Board members. The meeting is somewhat delayed due to the events of yesterday evening, where four of us (LB, PB, SK and AW) were attacked by a group of four men, that robbed personal belongings from LB and SK. GS proposes to reimburse these colleagues for the expenses caused by this robbery: the lost or damaged objects and the costs to replace them. The Board agrees.

ACTIVITIES 2010

- **Tenth SUMMER SCHOOL in Herrsching am Ammersee:**

Virtual patients in training for occupational medicine

- **A new project for undergraduate teaching: EMUTOM, officially awarded by the EU**

Participants: 6 EASOM members:

Ghent, Belgrade, Rouen, Amsterdam, Timisoara
and Zaragoza

- * **Giso Schmeisser president of EASOM**

ACTIVITIES 2011

- **Eleventh SUMMER SCHOOL in Rouen:**

Teaching ethics in occupational medicine

- Booklet “Online available Quality Materials for Occupational Health and Safety in English” by Frank van Dijk, database or repository?
- **Organigram of EASOM**
- **No successor for me, so we move to Plan B**

THE BOARD IN AUGUST 2011

- **Lutgart Braeckman**
- **Petar Bulat**
- **Jean-François Gehanno**
- **Begoña Martínez-Jarreta**
- **Kristiina Mukala**
- **Giso Schmeisser**
- **André Weel**
- **Dieter Weigel**

CONCLUSIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS