

AMEE

Changing Medical Education in Europe

Athens 4-7 September 1994

The meeting is the Annual Meeting of the Association for Medical Education in Europe. It will be a follow-up meeting to the WFME World Summit on Medical Education, held in Edinburgh in August 1993 and will provide an opportunity for participants to look at the recommendations in their own context.

This important meeting in medical education will focus on changes in medical education in particular:

- making education more relevant
- making education more effective
- trends in Assessment
- the continuum of education
- the change process

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Education in Europe

 **WFME**
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Medical Education

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General Information

Venue

The conference is being held at the Astir Palace Hotel in Vouliagmeni, a beach resort which is 25 to 30 minutes from Athens and 15 minutes from the airport. The area is a very picturesque one and an attractive and beautiful location in Greece for the meeting.

Social Programme

On the first day of the conference is a city tour which will include a visit to key attractions in Athens. Climb the processional path to the summit of the Acropolis and appreciate at close quarters the exquisite lines of the Parthenon.

A full social programme will be arranged for accompanying persons. This will include visits to attractions - ancient, Byzantine and modern - in and around Athens.

Two pre-conference tours are on offer depending on the demand. To appreciate the ancient Greek world there can be no better site to visit than Delphi which is the location of the first tour. The second tour is an idyllic Aegean Island Cruise which is highly recommended.

A post-conference excursion is also being planned to Cos, the island of Hippocrates.

Further information about the pre- and post-conference tours will be sent on registration.

Hotel Accommodation

A range of accommodation is available in the Vouliagmeni Region. The categories and costs are summarised on the registration form. De luxe accommodation is available in the Astir Palace Hotel where the Conference is being held. Once this is full de luxe accommodation will be reserved in other nearby hotels. Accommodation in the different categories may be limited and early reservation is advisable.

Request for accommodation should be received before 10 July. Bookings will be confirmed upon receipt of a deposit equal to two overnights. Cancellation will not be possible after 10 July. For cancellations before that date the deposit will be returned less 10% cancellation fee.

Accommodation can be requested with your registration form or separately through the Hellenic Organising Committee, c/o Centre for CME, P O Box 74240 Kaisariani, GR 160 00 Athens.
Fax: +301 72 54 055.

If paying directly to Athens make cheque in Sterling payable to AMEE Annual Conference f/o VA Haralambides.

Transport will be available from Athens airport for those making Conference hotel reservations.

Transport will be arranged between all conference hotels and the Astir Palace and, if required, between central Athens and the Astir Palace.

Papers

You are invited to submit an abstract on the abstract form for

- a paper for consideration in the short communication sessions and/or
- a poster or other exhibit for the exhibition which we see as playing an important part in the meeting.

Papers can cover any topic in medical education and include

- reports of research studies
- descriptions and evaluation of trends in medical education,
- 'how to do it' papers where the presenter will describe from personal experiences, tips or guidelines relating to some aspect of medical education.

Papers will be welcome particularly on the five key themes of the conference.

Organisation

This conference is being organised by the Association for Medical Education in Europe in collaboration with the World Federation for Medical Education, and the Hellenic Organising Committee supported by the Centre for Continuing Medical Education (CCME), the Hellenic Association for the Study of Medical Education (HASME) and the Medical Society of Athens (MSA). The Secretary/Treasurer is Dr Vassos A Haralambides. Professor Vinitris Sideris is President of the Hellenic Committee.

Registration

Please return the registration forms as soon as possible to

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About the Meeting

For Whom is the Meeting Intended?

The conference will be of relevance to all teachers, educators and administrators in the health care professions. It will look at the changes taking place in undergraduate or basic training, postgraduate or specialist training, and continuing education.

The topics covered during the meeting will be wide ranging. Five themes have been identified for particular consideration. These themes arise out of the discussions and recommendations of the World Summit on Medical Education in Edinburgh in August 1993. All participants will receive a copy of the proceedings of the World Conference.

Themes for the Meeting

Theme 1: Making Education More Relevant

The importance of making medical education relevant to the needs of the community is recognised. How this can be achieved through the development of a core curriculum in undergraduate and postgraduate education which covers the key learning objectives, educational strategies such as problem-based learning and community-orientated medical education, and other approaches?

Theme 2: Making Education More Effective

A re-appraisal of approaches to teaching and learning with greater attention being paid to student-centred learning, active rather than passive learning, and the appropriate use of the new technologies can help to make learning more efficient and more effective.

Theme 3: Trends in Assessment

Assessment has an important influence on student learning. Developments in this area include performance based

Format for the Meeting

The meeting will include

- plenary sessions during which invited speakers will address key issues relating to the themes of the conference, followed by a discussion of the topic
- 'free paper' sessions. Each presenter will be allocated 10 minutes plus five minutes discussion time. You are invited to submit abstracts for consideration.
- workshops or master-class sessions where an expert in a field of medical education reviews the topic. The workshops will convey new ideas, skills and techniques and feature hands-on, interactive and instructional activities.
- a poster exhibition of participants' work and the work of AMEE corporate, institutional and individual members.

The meeting will provide an opportunity for you to

- take part in discussions and contribute to conclusions and recommendations with regard to some of the key topics and issues facing medical education today
- hear about exciting new developments and present your own work and thoughts for consideration by the conference participants
- meet and talk with colleagues from a wide field of backgrounds interested in medical education.

assessment using tools such as the Objective Structured Clinical Examination and a new emphasis on the assessment of attitudes and higher level competencies such as thinking skills.

Theme 4: The Continuum of Education

Postgraduate and continuing education are as important as the undergraduate programme. There should be a seamless transition between each of the three phases. Issues such as certification and recertification, monitoring and international standards need to be appraised.

Theme 5: The Change Process

Bringing about change in medical education is notoriously difficult. Change does not happen by chance and must be carefully planned. Much is already known about the change process and approaches which can help to overcome the obstacles and barriers and facilitate progress

Provisional Programme

Saturday 3 September

Pre-Conference Tour (Optional)
0900-1300 Registration desk open
1700-2000

Sunday 4 September

Morning Athens City tour for Conference participants
0900 Registration desk open
0900-1800 Exhibitions - Set up exhibition
1400-1630 Workshops on a range of medical education topics including continuing medical education, clinical and communication skills training, assessment, staff development, problem-based learning, practical classes and international aspects of medical education.
1900 Opening of Conference
1945 Hippocratic Oath and Byzantine music concert
2100 Welcoming reception

Monday 5 September

0900 **Session 1 - Plenary**
Theme 1: Making Education More Relevant
1030 Coffee
1100 **Session 2**
Presentation of short communications, meeting of working groups or view exhibition
1230 Lunch
1400 **Session 3 - Plenary**
Theme 2: Making Education More Effective
1530 **Session 4**
Presentation of short communications, meeting of working groups, or view exhibition
Sound and light evening at Plaka Taverna

Tuesday 6 September

0900 **Session 5 - Plenary**
Theme 3: Trends in Assessment
1030 Coffee
1100 **Session 6**
Presentation of short communications, meeting of working groups, or view exhibition
1230 Lunch
1400 **Session 7 - Plenary**
Theme 4: The Continuum of Education
1530 **AMEE General Assembly**
1930 **Conference Dinner on board ship**

Wednesday 7 September

0900 **Session 8 - Plenary**
Theme 5: The Change Process
1030 Coffee
1100 **Session 9 - Plenary**
Reports from working groups
The way ahead and the conference recommendations
1200-1300 The closing ceremony
• Presentation - History of Medical Education
• Farewell concert
• Closing of Conference

Wednesday 7 to

Friday 9 September

Optional post conference tour to Cos Sight-seeing to Cos Hippocratic Foundation conducted by a Professor of the History of Medicine

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Registration Form

Surname _____ First Name _____ Title _____
(Block Letters Please)

Address _____

Fax No _____ Phone No _____

Accompanying Person(s) _____

	Number of Persons	Total Amount
Participant (Includes conference materials, attendance at sessions and workshops, welcoming party, lunches, conference dinner, coffee and tea, and sightseeing tour.)		
1 AMEE Members £225	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2 Non-members £250	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3 Students - AMEE Member £ 70	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
4 Students - AMEE Non-members £ 80	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Accompanying Person(s) (Includes welcoming party, conference dinner, sightseeing tours with guides.) £ 75	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Late Fee (after 30/6/94) £ 25		<input type="text"/>
AMEE Membership Fee		<input type="text"/>
(If you are not already an AMEE member, you may wish to join and benefit from the lower AMEE member registration rates.)	Individual £ 15	<input type="text"/>
	Institutional £ 60	<input type="text"/>
	Corporate £100-200	<input type="text"/>
Hotel Accommodation (Two nights accommodation must be paid in advance)		2 Nights
Deluxe per night Single £98 Double £119		<input type="text"/>
Class A per night Single £86 Double £ 99		<input type="text"/>
Class C per night Single £45 Double £ 59		<input type="text"/>
Date arrive <input type="text"/> Date depart <input type="text"/>	Total	<input type="text"/>

I enclose my cheque or international money order for the sum of £
(cheques in Sterling only and made payable to 'AMEE')
or charge my visa credit card

Visa Card No Expiry Date

Signature _____

Refunds less administration charges of £25 will be paid for cancellation prior to 10 July 1994

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Abstract Proposal

Title _____

Author(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone No:/Fax No. _____

For consideration for
(Maximum 150 words)

- short communication
- poster/exhibition
- either communication
or poster

Please indicate which section(s) your communication
would be best placed

Theme 1

Theme 2

Theme 3

Theme 4

Theme 5

Other

Please return before 10 June 1994