

European Academy for Medicine of Ageing (EAMA)

IUKB Foundation Sion Switzerland

ADVANCED POSTGRADUATE COURSE No. VI 2005 / 2006

- Summary :**
1. Dates and Topics
 2. Background
 3. Aim of the European Academy for Medicine of Ageing
 4. Applications / Tuition and other expenses
 5. Location of the course / Further information
-

Dates and Topics

The European Academy for Medicine of Ageing announces the sixth advanced postgraduate course in geriatrics for the years 2005/2006. Again, four one-week sessions will cover important geriatric topics :

Session 1/ January 24 - 28, 2005: Nutrition in the elderly and its main related consequences

Session 2/ September 12 - 16, 2005: Neuro and psycho geriatrics

Session 3/ January 23 - 27, 2006: Communication with the very old patients and within the interdisciplinary geriatric team

Session 4/ June 26 - 30, 2006: Management of geriatric team/ward/network:
Academic medicine art vs. Economic constraints

The highly successful format of intensive student participation in working groups, giving short presentations and leading discussions, as well as state-of-the-art lectures by experts in the field will be followed again.

Background

Nine years ago the ad-hoc group of the European Professors of Medical Gerontology (Age & Ageing 1994; 23: 179-81) instituted the European Academy for Medicine of Ageing with the support of the Institut Universitaire Kurt Bösch at Sion (Switzerland).

Four advanced postgraduate courses have been completed in 1996, 1998, 2000 and 2002. Some 155 participants from 17 European countries, as well as from Argentina, Brazil, Mexico and South Africa have completed this course, obtained their certificate and are now members of the EAMA network.

The fifth advanced postgraduate course is being held between January 2003 and June 2004. The topics of this course are :

- Evidence Based Geriatrics versus Individual Based Geriatrics (January 2003)
- Prevention of Age Related Disorders (June 2003)
- Geriatric Psychiatry (January 2004)
- Organization of Geriatric Care and Programmes (June 2004)

Some 40 participants from 14 countries, including Greece, Mexico, Tunisia and the United States are attending this course and will graduate in June 2004 or complete the four training sessions during the 6th course.

Aims of the European Academy for Medicine of Ageing

- To improve knowledge and skills in geriatric medicine for junior faculty members or promising candidates for future teachers in geriatrics.
- To harmonise the attitudes and goals of future opinion leaders in geriatric medicine throughout Europe.
- To establish a network among medical doctors responsible for the care of elderly persons and those responsible for student instruction, as well as general physicians caring for the aged.
- To stimulate scientific interest in geriatric medicine.

The Executive Board includes Prof. R. Bernabei from Rome (I), Prof. J.-P. Michel from Geneva (CH), Prof. Th. Nikolaus from Ulm (D), Prof. H.B. Stähelin from Basel (CH), Prof. Ch. Swine from Yvoir (B) and Prof. B. Vellas from Toulouse (F).

Applications

In order to create a wide network throughout Europe, the organising committee invites applications from all European countries. Since the number of participants is limited to 35 - 40, it is suggested that the national gerontological and geriatric societies nominate 3 to 5 (maximum) applicants and assign priorities and posteriorities. This enables the Executive Board to admit a balanced international group of students coming from many different countries and with different cultural backgrounds.

Tuition and other expenses

The tuition fee for the entire course of four one-week sessions amounts to CHF 5'000.-- (Swiss Francs).

In addition are travel expenses and costs for food and accommodation of CHF 900.- to 1'000.- per one-week session (5 course days).

No individual invoicing for not attended session days.

No other expenses are expected to arise.

Venue of the course

The four sessions are held at the Institut universitaire Kurt Bösch near Sion, Switzerland.

For further information please contact :

- Mrs Verena Montani, EAMA Administrative Director,
Av. des Alpes 6, CH-3960 Sierre
phone/fax +41 27 455.09.01 - E-mail : vmontani@vtx.ch
 - Prof. Jean-Pierre Michel, University Hospitals, Dept. of Geriatrics,
Ch. de Pont Bochet, CH-1226 Thônex-Geneva,
phone +41 22 305.65.03, fax +41 22 305.61.25
E-mail : jean-pierre.michel@hcuge.ch
 - Mrs Christine EDEN, EAMA Secretary, Institut universitaire Kurt Bösch,
P.O. Box 4176, CH-1950 Sion 4
phone +41 27 205.73.00, fax +41 27 205.73.01
christine.eden@iukb.ch
-