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1. Changes to ECCE Council

Executive changes

Tim Raven and Markus Fletcher retired at the end of their term last December. ECCE acknowledges their dedication and contributions to the profession, its education and in particular to Quality Assurance in chiropractic education. Both of them have contributed in a significant manner to ECCE's activities. During Tim's presidency, ECCE became a full member of ENQA after a successful review. Tim continues on Executive as Immediate Past President for 1 year.

During the General Council December 2013 in Paris the new executive was elected:

- Olivier Lanlo, former vice President was elected President
- Cynthia Peterson, former Chair QAC was elected as Vice-President
- Alexander Ruhe was elected as Treasurer in replacement of Markus Fletcher
- Christophe Sem was elected Chair QAC

Arvid Thorkeldsen's position remains unchanged; he is still an excellent Chair CoA

2. CoA Activities

Membership

G Mills, B Zaugg, B Oliva, C Leboeuf-Yde (Newly elected) T Raven (Newly elected), Philip Davies (Newly elected), O Lanlo (President ECCE, ex officio), A Thorkeldsen (Chair), D Burtenshaw (Evaluation Secretary ECCE).

Institutions holding Accredited Status

Anglo-European College of Chiropractic, Bournemouth University (UK)

Department of Chiropractic and Somatology, Durban University of Technology (SA)

Institut Franco-Europeen de Chiropratique, Ivry-sur-Seine and Toulouse (F)

Institute of Sports Science and Clinical Biomechanics, University of Southern Denmark (DK)
Welsh Institute of Chiropractic, University of South Wales (UK)
Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Chiropractic, University of Johannesburg (SA)
Real Centro Universitario, Escorial Maria-Cristina (E)

Institutions holding Candidate Status

McTimoney College of Chiropractic, BPP (UK)
Barcelona College of Chiropractic (E)

Evaluation Visits 2013/2014

Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Chiropractic, University of Johannesburg, South Africa on 17 – 20 September 2013. Accredited status granted for 5 years on 29.12.13 at a meeting of CoA in Paris, France

Barcelona College of Chiropractic (Dates) Decision on accreditation will occur at the CoA meeting in Frankfurt December 1st 2014

McTimoney College of Chiropractic (Dates) Decision on accreditation will occur at the CoA meeting February 7th 2015

IFEC (Dates) Decision on accreditation will occur at the CoA meeting February 7th 2015

Submission of Self Study Reports: Self-Study Reports from the above institutions were submitted in accordance with ECCE guidance and within the required timeframe.

Due to the ENQA review and ESG compliance our accreditation process is now transparent for the public. Chiropractic institution accreditation's results are now available on the ECCE website for public access and use.

Students as members of an evaluation team appear to have worked well. Consideration should be given to formally gathering feedback from them on the experience and the preparation.

Evaluation Team Training

Evaluation team training took place in September 2014 as a webinar. This training was organised by the Chair CoA and the Evaluation Secretary. Seminars with attendance are expensive but are better for workshops. Online training (webinar, screencast) is cheaper but not as good for workshop activity. Executive will explore the different opportunities for team training during the ECU convention. Next year, the ECU Convention will be in Greece where it will be a joint event with WFC. In accordance with ECU this may be a good time to consider the ECCE training day.

Recommendations for 2014-2015:

- Continue to work on risk-based approach to periodic review.

- Review the format of the annual monitoring report in light of feedback from institutional stakeholders. Consider a SWOT analysis.

3. Activities relating to ENQA and EQAR

ENQA

The President and the Vice-President have attended ENQA meetings in 2014. ECCE has more opportunities to attend meetings and training via ENQA. This will enable more ECCE staff to be familiar with the meetings. However due to limited human and financial resources staff could only attend a few events. ECCE has prepared its own Self-Study Report to be used as the basis for an external evaluation by ENQA for continued recognition. Cyclical external evaluation is a criterion for continued membership of ENQA and ECCE membership is due for renewal in 2015 under the new ESG's.

EQAR

ECCE has been a full member of the European Quality Assurance Register (EQAR) since May 2013. EQAR's mission is to further the development of the European Higher Education Area by increasing the transparency of quality assurance, and thus enhancing trust and confidence in European higher education. EQAR seeks to provide clear and reliable information on quality assurance provision in Europe, thus improving trust among agencies. EQAR seeks to facilitate the mutual acceptance of quality assurance decisions and to improve trust among higher education institutions, thus promoting mobility and recognition. This membership could make it possible for ECCE to participate in joint evaluations with national agencies for chiropractic programmes. This possibility is being considered seriously by the risk based evaluation task force.

ECCE Agenda for international activities (ENQA/AQAR QA Oriented)

Meetings 2014 (updated 30/4/14)	From	To
ENQA Members' Forum Saint-Petersburg, Russia, on 24-25 April 2014	24 Apr	25 Apr
CCEI meeting at FCLB	28 Apr	29 Apr
Seminar for Quality Assurance Agencies - 28-29 April 2014 (Bayreuth, Germany)	28 Apr	29 Apr
Seminar for QAAs that will take place on 29-30 April 2014 in Bayreuth (Germany).	29 Apr	30 Apr
FCLB Conference - April 30-May 4, 2014, at the Myrtle Beach Marriott Resort & Spa at Grande Dunes	30 Apr	04 May
Registration for the IMPALA Seminar on 19-20 May	30 Apr	
ENQA KP3 Seminar - 2-3 June 2014, Brussels, Belgium - registration	23 May	
9TH ENQA TRAINING OF AGENCY REVIEWERS (FULL) 12-13 May 2014, Bern, Switzerland	12 May	13 May
EURASHE internal meeting general assembly Armenia	14 May	
EURASHE 24th Annual Conference: Qualifications for the Labour Market, 15 May 2014 - 16 May 2014, Yerevan	15 May	16 May
“Impact Analysis of External Quality Assurance in Higher Education Institutions: Methodology and Its Relevance for Higher Education Policy” organised within the IMPALA project Mannheim, Germany.	19 May	20 May
ENQA Members' Forum Saint-Petersburg, Russia, 24-25 April 2014	24 May	25 May
Specific and Specialized Accreditation - Potential for Accreditation Agencies: Cooperation and Cross-Country Accreditation, In Tallinn, Estonia	26 May	
ENQA KP3 Seminar - 2-3 June 2014, Brussels, Belgium	02 Jun	03 Jun
EAPRIL Conference - before summer submission and Best Research & Practice Project Award deadline	12 Jun	
2014 Summer Workshop will be held June 24-25 in Washington, DC.	24 Jun	25 Jun
Deadline for contribution 9th European Quality Assurance Forum, Barcelona, Spain 13-15 November 2014	25 Jul	
EAPRIL Conference - after summer submission	17 Sep	
ENQA General Assembly 16-17 October, Zagreb, Croatia	16 Oct	17 Oct
9th European Quality Assurance Forum, Barcelona, Spain	13 Nov	15 Nov
EAPRIL Conference 2014, Cyprus, Nicosia	25 Nov	28 Nov

4. Candidate status institutions and forthcoming accreditation visits

The 2014/2015 period will be a heavy workload period for ECCE evaluation teams and the CoA. No more than 4 evaluations or re-evaluation visit will occurred between October 2014 and February 2015

Accreditation Agenda 2014/2015	From	To
Barcelona College of Chiropractic First evaluation visit	13 Oct 14	16 Oct 14
McTimoney College of Chiropractic First evaluation visit	17 Nov 14	20 Nov 14
Institut Franco-Européen de Chiropraxie - Paris and Toulouse campus Re-evaluation visit	08 Dec 14	12 Dec 14
Welsh Institute of Chiropractic - University of South Wales Re-evaluation visit	Mid Feb 2015	

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5. Funding status with non-ECU institutions (Denmark, South Africa)

ECCE has received positive feedback (contribution) from Denmark and South Africa. Both Denmark and South Africa would like to have some influence with ECCE. According to the Constitution, at the discretion of Executive, both may attend Council as observers with no voting rights. It is noted that the President will welcome them as observers at Council. ECCE representatives will have a meeting with the Danish Chiropractors' Association to further discuss this. ECCE would like to discuss continuity of their support so that ECCE can budget for the longer term.

As France seems to have pulled out of the ECU; ECCE has asked France to consider funding as Denmark and South Africa. ECCE President shall contact the President of ECU (Øystein Ogre) and also Richard Brown (Secretary General) to provide an update on the status with Denmark, South Africa and France.

6. Any forthcoming developments

Risk based evaluation Task Force

Due to institutional stakeholder's request, ECCE set up a task force to investigate risk-based evaluation. This task force is exploring different areas of ECCE procedures (see examples listed below).

- University based programmes with national QAA review
- Accreditation cycle pertinence
- Joint accreditation with National Agencies.

Name and Address list of Risk Based Evaluation Task Force

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WFC Education Conference

Cindy Peterson, ECCE Vice-President, has represented ECCE at the WFC Education Conference. She presented the following; *“Accreditation Standards: Do they Require Amendment in the Changing Healthcare Environment: A European View.”* WFC Education conference occurred October 29 - November 1st in Florida

7. CCEI

CCEI had his annual meeting in Myrtle Beach South-Carolina USA April 28th and 29th. The relationship between the 4 CEE is excellent and CCEI seems to be the right institution for the development of inter-CCE collaboration.

Council of Chiropractic Education International Model Procedures and the International Chiropractic Accreditation Standards are in their final review and should be finished and published in the next Months. Some changes in CCEI constitution have been made to ensure a dynamic development and management.

CCE-US hosted for dinner all CCEI members; the next meeting will take place in Greece during the WFC-ECU joint congress. As CCE-US; ECCE will host a dinner for all CCEI representatives. ECCE would welcome the presence of ECU and WFC representatives for this unique opportunity to meet international accreditors of chiropractic education.

On behalf ECCE Executive



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