

# UNION EUROPÉENNE DES MÉDECINS SPÉCIALISTES

### SECTION FOR PSYCHIATRY

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2019**

The Annual Report of the UEMS Section of Psychiatry 2019 follows the structure of the 2019 UEMS Section of Psychiatry Annual Plan.

#### **Communication:**

The major communication channels are the website of the Section and mailing lists. The website is fully integrated into the work of the Section, their standing committee and working groups. The website allows sharing of documents on a different level of accessibility - public information and shared documents in the protected area for Delegates, Officers, and working groups.

The Section continued to publicise relevant documents - Guidelines on Psychotherapy Learning Experiences in Psychiatry Training were published and promoted to relevant external partners and national psychiatric associations.

Unfortunately, only one blog was published last year in relation to highlighting the mutual activity of the Section and EFPT - "Test your Own Training questionnaire". On the other hand, the Twitter account is more active in sharing information related to the activities of the Section.

All basic information about Section was prepared in a unified structure of presentation to be shared on National Association websites.

### **Internal functions:**

A New President of the Section was elected in October 2019 and New Immediate Past President was appointed subsequently. In the same manner, the New Vice President for CME was elected at the same time. The position of Vice President for Training is vacant; waiting for the new Election procedure in 2020, the agenda of the Vice president was delegated to the Officer. The Treasurer of the Section was re-elected for a second term of office as well. Each member of the officers' group had established a portfolio of tasks to ensure smooth successions of officers and meant that officers could adjust their tasks as needed.

The fiscal outlook had been updated to maintain a balanced budget. The officers continued holding their executive meetings using video technology to economise the costs of the Section. This step significantly reduced the travel expenses of the Section.

Previous and current Vice-president of the Section systematically carried out the assessments of psychiatric CME events in Europe for EACCME for CME.

#### **Projects with external groups**

The section continued to collaborate with UEMS CAP Section on a platform of Transition Working Group. The Section was working with the UEMS CAP Section to prepare competencies for all medical specialties on the care of vulnerable people, including those with mental health disorders. Both Sections also wanted to be included in the UEMS MJC on Adolescent Medicine.

In collaboration with EPA on a platform of Task Force of Education in the European Psychiatry Section took part in the process of making up an extensive inventory of actual training aspects in Psychiatry in Europe.

Section agreed to support the Multidisciplinary Joint Committee on Sexual Medicine in petitioning the European Parliament and the National University Authorities in Europe to recognise sexual medicine as a part of medical training and practice. New Section's representative to the Multidisciplinary Joint Committee Sexual Medicine was appointed and approved.

#### Meetings

Officers' meetings were arranged on a regular basis using video conferencing technology. The spring meeting took place in Copenhagen (April, 25.-27.) with Visit day in Rigshospitalet and the Autumn meeting in Utrecht (October, 24.-26) with Visit day in Ermelo Psychiatric Hospital, both meetings were well attended by delegates and very well organised by local organisation committees.

The officer's group is grateful for strong support from Section Administrator that has been provided for many years.

On behalf of the Officers Jozef Dragasek Honorary Secretary