

Příloha č. 2



STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES AND ACTION PLAN (2010-2011)

This plan is based on responses received from 21 national societies in Europe and EDMA, and reflects the priorities of the EFCC Executive Board and Committees. The numbering below does not represent any ranking of importance.

1. STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION				
No	Strategic objective	Activities (2010-2011)	EFCC functional unit(s) involved	Supported or proposed by
1	Strengthen and formalize relationship and collaboration with IFCC	IFCC-EFCC Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement on the working relationship with IFCC	EB, GA	IFCC
2	Strengthen and formalize relationship with corporate membership	Develop corporate membership policy and framework and procedures for collaboration with industry	EB	EDMA France
3	Standardize EFCC operating procedures	Prepare EFCC's Handbook and Procedure Manual and publish it on the EFCC website	EB and all Cs and WGs	
4	Create new working groups (WG) and task and finish groups (TFG)	Raise funds for new WGs and TFGs and create at least one new WG or TFG per annum	EB and all C and WG chairs	
5	Stabilize the financial position of EFCC	Merge all EFCC and EC4 accounts into one account	EFCC and IFCC EB	
		Develop regional conference policy and clarify the position of IFCC in relation to European regional conferences by revising IFCC's Euromediab guidelines	EB, C-ET, IFCC EB and C-CC	EFCC GA
6	Promote the profession and increase awareness of the importance of clinical laboratories in health care and at society level. Increase patient focus	Roll out the "Labs are Vital" program in Europe Labs are Vital Award for Excellence in Outcomes Research in Laboratory Medicine to be given in every 2 years	C-PPR, C-S	Finland, Hungary Latvia, Sweden EDMA, Abbott
		Organize at least one "Awareness Day" together with EDMA on a common condition (e.g. Diabetes, renal disease, cardiovascular disease) together with special events or publishing Press Releases.	EB, C-PPR	EDMA Austria, France
		Collaborate with LTO-EU editorial board in promoting LabTestsOnline in Europe	C-PPR	EDMA
7	Promotion of EFCC activities	Develop PR strategy and PR materials for EFCC	C-PPR	
		Develop and maintain EFCC's website and Newsletter	C-PPR	
		Formalize relationship with the journals CCLM and Clin Chem in form of a MoU Publish at least one EFCC report per year in CCLM	EB All Cs	CCLM ClinChem

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2. EU LIASIONS				
No	Strategic objective	Activities (2010-2011)	EFCC functional unit(s) involved	Supported or proposed by
1	Representation of the profession in regulatory affairs at EU level	Collaboration with the EU Commission (EC) working parties in revising the EU IVD Directive, with particular emphasis on "in house" assays	C-QM	Austria EDMA
		Collaborate with the EC Exploratory Process on Medical Devices working parties and with the Global Harmonisation Task Force: Clinical evidence for IVDs	EB, WG-TE	EDMA
		Collaborate with the EC working parties on Research Priorities in the EU	EB, C-S	EDMA
2	Collaboration with and representation of the profession in CEPLIS	Organize a European survey on CPD in laboratory medicine	C-ET, C-P	CEPLIS
		Collaborate with the EC working parties on the Professional Qualifications Directive and prepare a document on the importance of our profession in relation to patient safety.	C-P, EC4RC	CEPLIS

3. RELATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS				
No	Strategic objective	Activities (2010-2011)	EFCC functional unit(s) involved	Supported or proposed by
1	Strengthen co-operation with clinical organizations	Organize a joint European conference with UEMS (e.g. Lisbon 2010)	C-ET, C-S	Finland
		Organize at least one course jointly with other European professional organizations (e.g. Dubrovnik course in 2010 with ETRO)	C-ET	Hungary, Croatia
		Organize joint sessions with clinical professional organizations at Euromediab or other European clinical conferences (e.g. with ESC in Lisbon 2010, with ETRO in Berlin 2011 and in Dubrovnik 2011)	C-S	ESC, ETRO, Beckman, Latvia Czech Republic France
2	Strengthen collaboration with industry	At communication and regulatory level: See initiatives with EDMA and AACC (1.6, 2.1, 2.2, 4.3)	EB, C-S C-PPR	EDMA
		At educational level: Increase the number of industry sponsored educational events and webinars (see initiatives 5.1 and 5.2)	C-ET, WG-DE	EDMA

4. SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS				
No	Strategic objective	Activities (2010-2011)	EFCC functional unit(s) involved	Supported or proposed by
1	Support appropriate test ordering and test utilization	Research on reflective testing. Create website: www.reflectivetesting.com	WG-G	Italy
		European collaborative survey on the use of cardiac markers	WG-CM	
		EU collaborative project on the pre-analytical phase in molecular biology testing	PG-SPIDIA	EU funded
		Establish a Preanalytical WG	C-S	BD Bulgaria, Ukraine
2	Harmonization of testing	Achieve harmonization of test results for which no reference measurement procedure exists.	C-S	AACC
3	Improve assay standardization	Inventory of publications about problems related to creatinine standardisation	WG-CS	
		Organization of a trueness verification study for creatinine measurement and publication of a scientific paper		
4	Develop laboratory related recommendations and get involved in guideline development initiatives of (European) clinical organizations	Recommend apoB (and apoB/A1 ratio) as alternative to LDL-C in the next joint European Task Force guidelines for cardiovascular disease prevention	WGs of C-S	Belgium
		Collaboration with IFCC POCT committee		Denmark, Hungary, Poland, Slovenia
		Research and publication on the quality and evidence base of recommendations on Self Monitoring of Blood Glucose		Belgium
		Post-analytical guidelines on retention of specimens and laboratory records; Reporting "critical values"	WG-Accr/ISO-CEN	Hungary
5	Support the rational development and use of laboratory tests	Develop a pragmatic evidence-based framework for the assessment of the clinical validity and utility of laboratory tests	WG-TE	UK EDMA
6	Strengthen the post-analytical role of laboratories	Develop meta-analytic methods and a critical appraisal checklist for published biological variation data	WG-BV	
		Set up at least one international post-analytical external quality assessment (PEQAS) project and publish its results	WG-PEQAS	Croatia, Italy Ukraine
		Develop frameworks for a European PEQAS scheme		

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5. EDUCATION AND TRAINING				
No	Strategic objective	Activities (2010-2011)	EFCC functional unit(s) involved	Supported or proposed by
1	Support distance learning	Develop at least one webinar p.a. on clinically relevant laboratory topics	WG-DE	Beckman
		Develop a framework and structure for EFCC webinars in collaboration with Elsevier and corporate members	WG-DE	
		Deliver at least one videoconference p.a. on specific topics	C-ET	Bio-Rad
2	Support and enhance the scientific activities and skills of the profession	Develop an agreement with AACC Clin Chem journal and provide free access to its educational materials. Offer free subscriptions to young scientists from less developed European countries	C-ET and C-PPR	AACC
		Develop scholarships (e.g. Dubrovnik), trainee exchange programs and visiting lecturer programs	C-ET	Latvia Netherlands Russia, Ukraine, Roche
3	Support national societies and subregional associations in organizing conferences under EFCC auspices	Preparation of procedures for application for EFCC auspices	C-ET	

6. QUALITY MANAGEMENT				
No	Strategic objective	Activities (2010-2011)	EFCC functional unit(s) involved	Supported or proposed by
1	Support accreditation of laboratories in Europe according to ISO15189	Organize at least one educational event per year linked to national or international conferences on accreditation related topics	WG-Accr/ISO-CEN, C-ET	Bulgaria, Russia Serbia, Slovenia
		Organize training course for assessors	WG-Accr/ISO-CEN, C-ET	Croatia, Czech Republic, Italy
		Develop quality metrics/indicators	WG-Accr/ISO-CEN	Italy, UK
2	Collaborate with and represent EFCC in national and international accreditation bodies and EQA organizers	Develop formal working relationship with EQALM by signing an agreement	C-S WG-PEQAS	Finland, Greece
		Develop a European survey on accreditation practices	WG-Accr/ISO-CEN, C-P	
		Develop formal working relationships and sign an agreement with the European Accreditation body (EA)	WG-Accr/ISO-CEN, C-P	France
		Represent EFCC in ILAC and at EU level in liaison with the EC's DG SANCO (Health and Consumers)	WG-Accr/ISO-CEN, C-P	France

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7. PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS				
No	Strategic objective	Activities (2010-2011)	EFCC functional unit(s) involved	supported or proposed by
1	Support national societies in harmonizing the profession across Europe	European survey with UEMS on the practice of laboratory medicine in Europe	C-P and UEMS	Italy
2	Harmonization of postgraduate training and recognition of specialist qualifications across Europe	Promote the EC4 Syllabus	WG-EC4RC	Greece, Poland, Serbia, Slovenia
		Conference on harmonizing postgraduate education and training (1x/year)	C-ET and C-P	CzR, Finland, Serbia, Slovenia
3	Promote and maintain the EC4 Register	Increase number of registrations and re-registrations and encourage/assist remaining countries to achieve Equivalence of Standards	WG-EC4RC	
		Agree Code of Conduct in all EU countries and prepare disciplinary procedures as an adjunct to the Code of Conduct	WG-EC4RC	
		Pilot linkage of EC4 registration to national registers/societies	WG-EC4RC	
		Gain government recognition of the EC4 Register in EU countries	C-P	
		Preparation and lobbying at EP level to create a Common Platform	C-P	
		Agree and publish new version of the Guide to the Register	WG-EC4RC	
		Provide the public limited access to the names on the Register	WG-EC4RC	

Abbreviations:

CEPLIS: European Council of the Liberal Professions, www.ceplis.org, CPD: Continuous Professional Development, EB: Executive Board, EC: European Commission, ESC: European Society of Cardiology, ETRO: European Thrombosis Research Organization, GA: General Assembly, MoU: Memorandum of Understanding, TFG: Task and Finish Groups

C: Committee; C-CC: IFCC Committee on Conferences and Congresses, C-ET: Committee on Education and Training, C-F: Finance Committee, C-P: Profession Committee, C-PPR: Professional and Public Relations Committee, C-QM: Quality Management Committee, C-S: Science Committee

WG: Working Group; Accr/ISO-CEN: Accreditation and ISO-CEN, BV: Biological Variation, CM: Cardiac Markers, CS: Creatinine Standardisation, DE: Distance Education, EC4RC: EC4 Register Commission, G: Guidelines, PA: Preanalytical, PEQAS: Post-analytical External Quality Assessment Scheme, TE: Test Evaluation, PG-SPIDIA: Project Group SPIDIA