

Report of the young internist meeting on the 11th of March, Brussels, Belgium

1. Approval of the minutes from the last meeting in Moscow - *approved*
2. Discussion about how to reach more representatives of the non represented countries in the Young Internist (YI) group. The idea was launched to contact every non represented national society (perhaps through Aneta Trajovska) and ask them to appoint their young internist representative.
As we have the impression that lots of young internists are not aware of the existence of the European YI, another plan is to make the existing facebook group more performant and reachable by creating an 'open' page in stead of a 'private' page but including a strict control of the posted information. Information will only be posted by the administrators (which could be all YI representatives). So for visitors the page would appear as an 'only read page'. Skype discussions are a success and should be continued.
3. Projects: Amy Burbridge introduced a new concept with the goal to share scientific information on a more casual way by creating 'podcasts'. A podcast is a sound fragment which can be used for educational matters. The project would consist of creating 12 podcasts a year, dealing about the newest developments in a particular internal medical field or about a specific subject like acute kidney injury, the management of deep veinous thrombosis...Coming EFIM congress in Amsterdam will be a great opportunity to interview some speakers about their subject. The YI group will support the the buying of a proper working microphone. EFIM webmaster Roger Duckitt and his colleague Tim will help us get the podcasts online.
4. EFIM congress Amsterdam: the YI corner will consist of the usual presented case presentations and of expert sessions with speakers at the congress. The best case presentations will be selected from previous winter and summer school.
At the plenary session, the idea is to organise a discussion between some senior speakers and some YI's about the theme 'will computers ever be able to replace doctors'. A catchy title like 'rise of the machines' still has to be determined.
Elections will also take place for a new subcommittee member and also for the next chair (6 months in advance to create an overlap period).

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