



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Summer School "Occupational Health crossing Borders"

June 7<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> 2010 in Munich, Germany



### Content Overview

Annually, 2 million workers worldwide die due to workplace accidents and diseases caused by work. Eight workplace accidents occur per second. The consequences are economic costs of occupational diseases and injuries of more than 4% of the world's Gross Domestic Product (GDP). However, workplace safety and workers' compensation differ largely across countries. In times of globalization it becomes more and more important to get acquainted with occupational health systems across the world. This will help to bridge the gap between low and middle income countries where nowadays 8 of 10 workers are located. It will contribute to make occupational health services accessible to workers across the world.

The overall aim of this Summer School is to train physicians and other health specialists currently working or currently being in training in occupational health in low and middle income countries. The focal point of the Summer School is laid on the most important aspects of occupational health in Europe. In this context the occupational health system in the participating countries will be illuminated and discussed.

### Topics

- Occupational health in Europe with special focus on Germany
- Occupational health systems across the world
- Workers' compensation schemes across the world
- Prevention programs
- Workplace accidents and workers' compensation insurance - private and public options
- Occupational medicine at the research, policy and practice level (representatives of university, enterprises and the state)

### Learning Objectives

At the end of the course participants will be able

- to differentiate advantages and disadvantages of different occupational health systems across the world
- to effectively retrieve existing information on a given problem in the field of occupational health
- to review and critically appraise potential health risk at the workplace
- to identify gaps in the occupational health system and to work towards improving occupational health for poor / disadvantaged populations
- to identify and involve stakeholders influencing occupational health research, policy and practice
- to analyze economical aspects of occupational health services
- to work and exchange information on an international base

**Application deadline: December 15<sup>th</sup> 2009**

## Teaching methods

The course aims to initiate an active participatory learning process. It uses a mixture of:

- Interactive lectures
- Small group and panel discussions
- Group work and presentation of the group work by the participants
- Virtual patients of the international NetWoRM program ([www.networm-online.eu](http://www.networm-online.eu))
- Excursions to enterprises and their occupational health services (e.g., automobile industry)
- Hands-on sessions in our outpatient clinic and laboratories
- Presentations by the participants about occupational health in their home countries



Group work



Enterprise visit



Participants' Presentation

Key facts and concepts are addressed in the interactive lectures which approximately amount to 40 hours of the coursework, e-learning add practical skills and contribute to a better understanding and process analyses, reading will furthermore improve the knowledge.

Development of related skills is supported by tutored small group discussions, group work and group presentations, enterprise visits and visits to the university department and outpatient clinic.

A panel debate and plenary discussion are used to synthesize the contents at the end of the first week as well as at the end of the course.

## Assessment Procedures

- 30% group work (written assignment)
- 30% oral presentation / poster presentation of occupational health in the home country
- 20% oral presentation based on group work
- 20% Virtual patients

## Duration / Certification

- 2 weeks / 90 hours. Full time attendance required.
- All participants receive a certificate of attendance upon successful completion of the whole course
- This Summer school will be accredited by the Bavarian Chamber of Physician for approx. 80 Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits (approval pending)
- The organizers have also applied for 6 ECTS points (to be approved)

## Target Group / Prerequisites

- Occupational health professionals, postgraduate students in training for occupational health, project planners & managers, paramedical staff, social scientists, etc.
- Evidence of basic knowledge of qualitative and quantitative research methods.

The course will be held in English. Fluency in English required. Knowledge of English will be checked prior to admission (SKYPE interview)

## Course Fee, Scholarships and Registration

### Course Fee

- Registration fee € 300
- Tuition fee € 300
- Lodging and half-pension (does not include meals during excursions) \*\*\* hotel: € 950

The registration and tuition fee cover coursework, excursions, dinner and printed materials. It does not include accommodation, local and international transportation, insurance or other personal living costs during the stay.

Board and Lodging includes 13 nights in single bedrooms, two meals per day and coffee breaks.

### Scholarships

25 scholarships are available for participants in training / working in occupational health in developing countries. Due to the funding requirements of the DAAD, those who did all or parts of their studies in Germany will be given preference.

**As a prerequisite scholarship holders have to give a poster presentation about occupational health in their home country.**

#### Scholarships cover

- Tuition fee
- Board (half-pension) and lodging
- Up to 750 Euros subsidy for the flight

#### Scholarships do not cover

- Registration fee
- Dinner, Meals during excursions
- Insurance or other personal living costs during the stay

Please register as soon as possible because the number of participants is limited. Registration should be done using the enclosed registration form only. Scholarships will be given to eligible participants based on their application forms and the SKYPE Interview.

<b>Application deadline:</b>	<b>December 15<sup>th</sup> 2009</b>
<b>SKYPE interview:</b>	<b>January 7<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> 2010</b>
<b>Notification of scholarship holders:</b>	<b>February 1<sup>st</sup> 2010</b>

### Payment

The non-refundable registration fee of € 300 is due no later than 8 weeks prior to the start of the course. The tuition fee (€ 300) as well as costs for board and lodging is due no later than 6 weeks prior to the start of the course.

Those receiving a scholarship have to pay the € 300 registration fee at the time the scholarship is approved.

If the participant withdraws from the course

- less than 6 weeks prior: 25 % of the course fee will be charged.
- less than 4 weeks prior: 50 % of the course fee will be charged.
- less than 2 weeks prior: the whole course fee will be charged.

## Location and Accommodation

The course will take place at the Medical Centre of the Ludwig-Maximilians-University located in the centre of Munich. Accommodation will be arranged nearby (single bed rooms with breakfast).



Munich City Centre



Castle Neuschwanstein



Hofbräuhaus in Munich

## Participants' feedback 2008/09:

The time, the realisation of each part was perfect and the organisation excellent.

Now that I have participated I would have tried to find any financial means to come

I have never before participated in a programme that met my professional necessities that much!

I really enjoyed the participation of different cultures

Thank you very much, an excellent experience which will help me in my daily work.

## Contact

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More information will be available soon at: [www.cih.lmu.de](http://www.cih.lmu.de)

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