



NetWoRM³ Newsletter

May 2008

NetWoRM Conferences

ICOH Glasgow:

Ana, Katja and Arun presented the workshop “An international blended learning concept for occupational health – dream or feasible target?” The idea is building up an international program for basic occupational health service together with John Harrison (London) and Frank van Dijk (Amsterdam). Janine and Maria will also be involved. The project will start with a needs assessment. This will be done using the concept mapping method during our international summer school (“Occupational health crossing borders”) which will be held for the first time in Herrsching during the last two weeks of May 2008.



Familiar faces of the NetWoRM Team meeting in Glasgow

7th Panafrican Congress of Occupational Health in Benin:



France started to advertise NetWoRM cases in Benin. They presented Networm at the (PACOH 2008). Several French speaking African countries agreed to work with NetWoRM in the project: Ivory Coast (Pr Boni), Burkina Faso (Dr Ouedraogo), Benin (Pr Fayomi), Tunisia (Dr Hamzaoui). Some french cases will be adapted to african context. France is working with OH physicians and OH nurses especially in Benin

with Pr Fayomi. A meeting in Strasbourg is planned with one representative by country in order to present Casus and to help them to adapt cases. There also plans about the creation of an especially African case, a student in training course can come to Strasbourg.

We are looking forward to hear how things turned out!

ICOH conference in Cape Town 2009:

Thanks to Janine we have been invited to present NetWoRM during the ICOH 2009. In addition, we applied for a NetWoRM hands-on session during the conference during which participants may use the cases directly at laptops.

NetWoRM Europe

Netherlands successfully implemented a course with 3 cases (needle stick injury, unborn child, occupational asthma). A group of 50 experienced occupational physicians in a CME setting about occupational diseases were working on the cases. The group was randomized to 'Networm' and 'text based'. The purpose is to find out the differences of learning with CASUS cases in the internet and learning from paper. We are looking forward to the results!

Netherlands is currently working on a new case about Chronic Toxic Encephalopathy, which will be finished in summer 2008.

France is currently working with Yves from Germany in order to translate and adapt four cases on the postgraduate level from German to French. The cases will be evaluated by students in Strasbourg.

UK is working on a proposal for ERS school course in Venice 2009. The idea is to organize a full ERS supported course covering individual occupational lung disease topics, incorporating NetWoRM.

Spain: Ignacio Ezpeleta (Zaragoza) will adapt and translate 8 cases to Spanish.

Spain is implementing courses in Badalona and Albacete with four cases (Outbreak, Stomach cramps and anemia, patient with chronic dyspnoea needs your help, needle stick injury) for students in Albacete.

Finland: The higher education of OH-nurses is under the planning phase.

Finland: Networm cases are used in the qualification training.

Germany was setting up an excel file to describe target groups and main aspects of all existing cases. The NetWoRM partners filled in the information for their countries. Many thanks to everybody!

Germany will provide the draft for the business model of NetWoRM³ shortly.

Germany presented the cases as an add-on to a book for occupational medicine at Elsevier publisher. While they were very interested in having e-learning as an add-on to their books they said that occupational medicine is too small to start with. Martin is now negotiating about a solution for all medical subjects.

NetWoRM Latin America

In Valdivia, Chile e-learning courses for nursing students are being prepared. The 2nd year students are currently working on the case about latex allergy.

In August/September the 3rd year students will be working and evaluating the new case of Pía about leukemia.

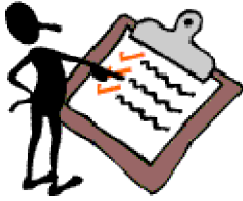


Valdivia, Chile

Laura presented CASUS to the ACHS (Chilean association for the security of workers) in Valdivia and the IST (Institute for workers security) in Puerto Montt.

Laura started to build up the next international case on different diseases encountered in the farming environment in Brazil, Chile and Germany.

Last but not least: To Do's:



- EU-Partners please hand in your **timesheets from January to June** in order to receive the first grant payment in July.
- EU-Partner France please complete the **excel file about the target groups** of the cases.
- EU-Partners UK, France, Spain, Romania please hand us in your **invoice for the Kick-Off Meeting**, we had in January. You don't need to pay this out of your grant share. This will be paid by extra money which has been requested for the meeting. **We only can pay you back, if you hand in your invoice until May 15th the latest!**