

IPE Capacity Building Seminar: 24 participants from 7 different countries!



The 2-days training seminar on May 7-8th, organized in collaboration with COEHRE, was a true success. It was targeted towards teachers and coordinators involved in the startup, management, development, implementation and improvement of an interprofessional program or course. It focused on good practices, tools and methods for designing, implementing and evaluating IPE. 8 Expert trainers from different EIPEN member institutions were involved: Tiina Tervaskanto-Maentausta and Minna Manninen (Oulu University of Applied Sciences), Bianka Vandaele and Nadja Brocatus (Artevelde University College), Giannoula Tsakitzidis and Paul Van Royen (University of Antwerp), Matic Kavcic (University of Ljubljana), and Andre Vyt (University of Ghent). EIPEN members were able to register at a reduced fee. Participants came from Denmark, Finland, Germany, Switzerland, Russia, Austria, and The Netherlands.



The idea was launched to offer this formula also as an in-service training to EIPEN institutional members who would want to organize this for their own staff and for staff of institutions in their region. Part of it will also be organized as a preconference workshop at the EIPEN 2019 Conference.

► *Are you interested in being host organiser of a national or international IPE training with expert trainers at your institution for your region? Then contact us to discuss the options.*

The EIPEN 2017 Conference in Lausanne: a truly allround success!



EIPEN 2017 was exceptionally well-organised, receiving more than 100 participants, not only from within Europe but also from Australia, Japan, Lebanon, the US, and Brazil.

From registration to the closing session, from keynote to posters, from coffee breaks to the dinner on a wonderful boat trip: it all went like Swiss clockwork. Participants enjoyed the open atmosphere, the quality of the presentations, the tastiness of the food, the collaboration and discussions in workshops.



The best poster award went to a study on *The interactive structure of interprofessional meetings: Processes of information exchange, knowledge sharing and decision-making*, presented at the conference by Camille Bécherraz & David Pichonnaz (with principal investigator Liliana Staffoni on the left). The award was given by Corinne Borloz as chair of the Scientific advisory committee.

► *The 2019 Conference will be announced soon. Members of EIPEN will have the opportunity to pre-register in 2018*

Recent doctoral research in IPE by EIPEN members



Giannoula Tsakitzidis obtained her PhD at the University of Antwerp in March 2018, with a thesis titled *Learning to collaborate interprofessionally in health care*. It focuses on how to learn to collaborate interprofessionally, and how to measure the effects of interprofessional learning in practice. In an intervention study an interprofessional training module provided an opportunity for participants to evaluate and map the level of IP collaboration in their setting.



Jérôme van Dongen obtained his PhD at Maastricht University in December 2017, with a thesis titled *Interprofessional collaboration in primary care teams; development and evaluation of a multifaceted programme to enhance patient-centredness and efficiency*. He developed a programme which allows teams to reflect on their processes and tools of collaboration in the context of care for patients with chronic diseases.



Tiina Tervaskanto-Maentausta obtained her PhD at Oulu University in April 2018, with a thesis titled *Interprofessional education during undergraduate medical and health care studies*. The aim was to investigate how interprofessional education, collaborative learning methods and innovative learning environments promote students' IP competencies, and how the patients and families experienced this in the training periods.

► *Do you want to signal interesting doctoral research in Europe? Let us know!*

Upcoming conferences in 2018 around the world

► **AMEE 2018 Conference** 25-29 August, Basel, Switzerland

<https://www.amee.org/conferences/amee-2018>

► **ATBH Conference** 3-6 September, Auckland, New Zealand

<https://www.atbhix.co.nz/>

