



“Doctors going digital: How to future-proof skills”

Joint conference of
the Standing Committee of European Doctors and
the German Medical Association

Press release: CPME and German Medical Association to host conference on digital skills for doctors

CPME, the Standing Committee of European Doctors, and the German Medical Association will be co-hosting a conference entitled ‘Doctors going digital: How to future-proof skills’ on 20 November from 9am until 12 noon.

“Digitalisation is a growing reality in healthcare systems across Europe. We want to ensure that the digital transformation in healthcare is responsible, positive and well thought through. That’s why we’re hosting this conference on digital skills for doctors,” said CPME President Prof. Dr Frank Ulrich Montgomery.

“We’ll be delving deeply into many issues, including the challenges physicians are facing in digital medicine and the skills required to address them, the ethical boundaries of practising digital medicine and the role of physicians in the future,” said Dr Klaus Reinhardt, President of the German Medical Association, who will welcome participants to the conference.

After a statement on digital medicine and the challenges posed by the Covid-19 epidemic given by Jens Spahn, Germany’s Federal Minister of Health, there will be a keynote speech on ‘AI and the digital transformation – challenges for society and healthcare’. That will be given Michael Servoz, former Senior Advisor for Robotics, Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the Future of European Labour Law at the European Commission, who will address questions such as how AI affects doctors’ practice and patient care.

Following that, there will be a moderated panel discussion entitled: ‘Digital change in medicine. What are the knowledge and skills required of doctors and the means and methods for acquiring them?’ The panel will include national and EU policy-makers, as well as experts from academia, continuing professional development, and medical students.

The event is part of the associated programme of Germany’s Presidency of the Council of the EU in 2020.

Interested journalists can follow the discussions on Twitter via this hashtag (#CPMEdigitalskills) or by going to the following website to find a link to the live webstream: <https://www.bundesaerztekammer.de/cpme-2020/digitalskills/>

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