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CONCERNING: CPME President Report  
AUTHOR: Prof. Dr. Frank Ulrich Montgomery

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**Report of CPME President  
01.11.2020 – 10.03.2021**

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**Events attended:**

1. [19.11.2020](#) – Executive Committee web-meeting
2. [20.11.2020](#) – CPME / German Medical Association Joint Conference “Doctors going digital – how to future proof skills”. Video recording available [here](#). Video summary accessible [here](#).
3. [21.11.2020](#) – CPME virtual General Assembly. Draft minutes available here.
4. [01.12.2020](#) – Socialists and Democrats High-level Webinar on “A Strong and Inclusive European Health Union” as panellist with a focus on what essential steps could be taken to make a health union a reality.
5. [10.12.2020](#) – Executive Committee web-meeting
6. [15.12.2020](#) – Working Group on Vaccination web-meeting
7. [06.01.2021](#) – virtual meeting Coalition for Vaccination co-chairs and Sandra Gallina (DG SANTE)
8. [21.01.2021](#) – Executive Committee web-meeting
9. [25.01.2021](#) – CPME web-meeting with Ambassador Nikolas Meyer Landrut, Head of the EU delegation to Turkey
10. [04.02.2021](#) – Panel discussion on the independence of national medical associations, hosted by the Turkish Medical Association, to discuss Dr Gökalp’s case and the threat to the autonomy of the TMA.
11. [10.02.2021](#) – DG SANTE meeting COVID-19. Pharmacology and vaccination strategy.
12. [16.02.2021](#)– Pact for skills roundtable on the health ecosystem. Report available [here](#).
13. [17.02.2021](#) – CPME Working Group on Vaccination web-meeting
14. [18.02.2021](#) – Executive Committee web-meeting



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15. [20.02.2021](#) – CPME-FNOMCeO European memorial to doctors who have died in the fight against COVID-19
16. [04.03.2021](#) – AIM web-meeting with President Loek Caubo (ZN, the Netherlands) for exchange on possible points of collaboration between AIM and CPME
17. [11.03.2021](#) – Coalition for Vaccination annual meeting
18. [14.03.2021](#) – International symposium, organised by the Turkish Medical Association, reflecting on the first year of the pandemic, representing CPME in the panel “Health Professionals share their experiences and reflections”
19. [18.03.2021](#) – Executive Committee web-meeting
20. [18.03.2021](#) – European Medical Organisations Presidents Meeting

#### Press Releases:

1. [19.11.2020](#) – Press Release “CPME and German Medical Association to host conference on digital skills for doctors”. Available [here](#).
2. [01.12.2020](#) – Press Release “European doctors back World Medical Association’s call for Turkish Government not to dismantle the Turkish Medical Association”. Available [here](#).
3. [18.12.2020](#) – Statement “European doctors are calling for transparency in the EU vaccines negotiations”. Full Statement available [here](#).
4. [09.02.2021](#)– Press Release “The Coalition for Vaccination calls to get vaccinated against COVID-19”. Full manifesto available [here](#).
5. [10.02.2021](#)– CPME endorses the EUHPP Joint Statement on “Profiling and Training the Healthcare Workers of the Future”. Available [here](#).
6. [10.02.2021](#)– CPME endorses the Joint Statement of the Digital Doc Thematic Network: Training future-proof doctors for the digital society”. Available [here](#).
7. [11.02.2021](#) – CPME issues a Statement on the European Health Data Space. Available [here](#).
8. [03.03.2021](#) – CPME endorses Joint Statement to maintain the exchange of critical health data with the UK. Available [here](#).



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#### Letters sent on behalf of CPME:

1. [04.11.2020](#) – Letter of Invitation to the CPME online General Assembly 21 November.
2. [12.11.2020](#) – Acceptance Letter S&D webinar on “A Strong and Inclusive European Health Union”.
3. [16.11.2020](#) – Letter of Condolence to the Family of Dr Xavier Miller.
4. [16.11.2020](#) – Letter of Condolence to members, informing of the passing of Dr Xavier Miller.
5. [18.11.2020](#) – Invitation letter to MEP Pietikäinen to the launch of the Interest Group on Integrative Medicine & Health.
6. [25.11.2020](#) – Letter to Mr. Meyer-Landrut, Head of the Eu Delegation to turkey, congratulating him on his recent appointment and referring to the situation of the medical profession in Turkey.
7. [27.11.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Mrs. Aguar Fernandez on her election as Director for health and food audits and analysis at DG SANTE.
8. [27.11.2020](#) – Joint WMA – CPME letter to the President of Turkey, Mr. Erdoğan referring to the detention of Dr Gökalg, urging him to take all action to release Dr Gökalg immediately and to drop all charges against him without substantial and documented evidence in support of the indictments against him.
9. [27.11.2020](#) – Joint WMA – CPME letter to the Turkish Minister of Justice, Mr. Gül, referring to the detention of Dr Gökalg, urging him to take all action to release Dr Gökalg immediately and to drop all charges against him without substantial and documented evidence in support of the indictments against him.
10. [30.11.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Dr Passakiotou on her appointment as co-rapporteur on Health Systems.
11. [30.11.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Ms. Wapner on her appointment as rapporteur on Transparency and Ethics.
12. [30.11.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Prof. Kuhn on his appointment as rapporteur on Digital Competencies for Doctors.
13. [30.11.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Prof. Ludwig on his appointment as Chair of the working group on pharmaceuticals.



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14. [01.12.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Mr Caubo on his election as President of the International Association of Mutual Benefit Societies (Association Internationale de la Mutualité).
15. [01.12.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Mr Delgutte and Mr Arnold on their election as PGEU President and Vice President for 2021.
16. [02.12.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Mr Delsaux on his appointment as Deputy Director-General for health at DG SANTE.
17. [07.12.2020](#) – Letter of Condolences to members regarding the passing of Dr Mykola Tyschchuk, Chair of the Board of the Ukrainian Medical Association.
18. [07.12.2020](#) – Letter of Condolences to the Ukrainian Medical Association in regards of the passing of Dr Tyschuk.
19. [07.12.2020](#) – Congratulatory Letter to Dr Rydgren Stale on her election as President of the Swedish Medical Association.
20. [11.12.2020](#) – Joint CPME – GMA (German Medical Association) letters thanking panellists for their contributions in the conference “Doctors going digital: How to future-proof skills”, held on 20. November 2020, to:
  - Ms Keane
  - Mr. Servoz
  - Ms. Pietiäinen
  - Mr. Marsella
21. [18.12.2020](#) – Letter to Mr Lattanzio, managing director of Lattanzio Advisory S.p.A. regarding an outstanding payment to CPME.
22. [14.12.2020](#) – Letter to the President of the Doctor’s Chamber of the Republic of North Macedonia. Prof. Grivcheva-Stardelova, welcoming the Doctor’s Chamber of North Macedonia into CPME observer membership.
23. [15.12.2020](#) – Letter to members informing them about the cancellation of the General Assembly and Board meeting 19-20 March 2021 in Tallinn – Estonia and the decision to move to a virtual meeting.
24. [16.12.2020](#) – Congratulatory letter to Prof. Korur-Finacanci on her election as president of the Turkish Medical Association.



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25. **January 2021** – Letters presenting the CPME recommendations on pandemic preparedness and the summary report of the national medical associations’ experience of the COVID.19 pandemic from March to July 2020 to:
- **06.01.2021**: Dr Ammon, Director of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC),
  - **06.01.2021**: Commissioner Kyriakides, Commissioner for Health and Food Safety,
  - **06.01.2021**: Ms Gallina, Director-General DG Health and Food Safety (SANTE)
  - **06.01.2021**: Ms Cooke, Executive Director European Medicines Agency (EMA)
  - **08.01.2021**: Dr Kluge, WHO Regional Director for Europe,
  - **08.01.2021**: Mr Vardakastanis, Vice President of the European Economic and Social Committee, Rapporteur on “Building a European Health Union”
  - **12.01.2021** –Mr. Lourtie, Ambassador – Deputy Permanent Representative – COREPER I of the Portuguese Permanent Representation to the European union
26. **08.01.2021** – Letters of appreciation and Diplomas for:
- Dr Erzsébet Podmaniczky
  - Dr Maciej Hamankiewicz
  - Dr Ålebring
  - Dr Vasiadis
  - Prof. Dr Degos
  - Dr Éger
27. **20.01.2021** – Joint letter with the WMA in support of Dr Serdar Küni, President of the Sirnak Medical Chamber, enclosing the joint statement on the trial against Dr. Serdar Küni, co-signed by BMA, PHR, irct, NMA, IFED, GMA, Johns Hopkins school of public health, IFHHRO and CPME, to:
- the Gaziantep Regional High Court 3 Criminal Chamber
  - the Minister of Foreign Affairs
  - the Minister of Health
  - the Minister of Justice
  - the President of the Grand National Assembly of Turkey
28. **22.01.2021** – Invitation to the virtual CPME Board Meeting and General Assembly, 19-20 March 2021.
29. **22.01.2021** – Invitation to Ms. Gallina, Director-General DG Health and Food Safety (SANTE), to the virtual CPME Conference on the EU Vaccine Strategy.
30. **03.02.2021** – Letter of Condolences to the Croatian Medical Chamber, President Dr Luetić and Dr. Raguž, referring to the passing of Dr. Egidio Čepulić, the first President of the re-established



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31. [03.02.2021](#) – Letters inviting CPME members, Presidents of the European Medical Organisation (EMOs) and other colleagues to the ceremony to honour health professionals who have lost their lives due to COVID-19, organised by the Federazione Nazionale degli Ordini dei Medici Chirurghi e degli Odontoiatri (FNOMCeO).
32. [15.02.2021](#) – Letter inviting Ms Dejmek-Hack, Director for “Strategy and overall coordination” at the European Commission Task Force for Relations with the United Kingdom, to speak at the online meeting of the CPME Working Group on Professional Practice on 19 March 2021.
33. [18.02.2021](#) – Letter of appreciation Dr Zdenka Čebašek-Travnik.
34. [23.02.2021](#) – Letter inviting Ms Simonsen, European Commission Task Force for Relations with the United Kingdom, to speak at the online meeting of the CPME Working Group on Professional Practice on 19 March 2021.
35. [22.02.2021](#) – Letter congratulating Prof. Beović to her election as President of the Medical Chamber of Slovenia.
36. [08.03.2021](#) – Diplomas Dr Gillon and Dr Čebašek-Travnik.
37. [08.03.2021](#) – Letter of appreciation Dr Gillon.
38. [10.03.2021](#) – Letter congratulating Dr Tomás Cobo Castro on his election as President of the Spanish Medical Association (Consejo General de Colegios Oficiales de Médicos de España).