

Update on accreditation

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Agenda

- **Accreditation principles and values**
- **ESC experience with UEMS-EACCME accreditation**
- **National and European Accreditation in Cardiology**

Accreditation principles and values

Compliance with demanding 'educational' criteria

- Identifying **educational needs**
- Defining clear **learning objectives**
- **Assessing participants' performance and progress** using sound evaluation mechanisms
- Identifying and communicating on **expected educational outcome**



Compliance with demanding 'transparency' criteria

- Base **scientific content on evidence**
- Eliminate any form of **commercial bias**
- Engage speakers and course directors in **disclosing potential conflict of interests**
- Gather **feedback from participants** on the programme



Value of Accreditation?

- **Consistency & Quality**

Harmonized and high quality **educational standards** across Europe

- **Methodology**

Educate CME providers to use **instructional design methods** and start with the end in mind: What is the Gap, What is the need?

- **Regulatory**

In some EU countries, collecting CME credits is mandatory

- **Professional Development**

Collecting CME Credits is a proof of engagement in medical education

- **Limit commercial bias**

ESC experience with UEMS-EACCME accreditation

Process

ESC live and online educational programmes are submitted to UEMS-EACCME for evaluation and accreditation

- **Accreditation criteria**
 - Live Educational Events (LEE)
 - ELearning Material (ELM)

- **Online accreditation tool**

<https://eaccme.uems.eu/home.aspx>

- **Specialist + National review of each programme**



Opportunities

- **Collaboration** - ESC and UEMS-EACCME
ESC contributes to **shape** the Continuing Medical Education of future Cardiologists

Working group reflecting on:

- Declaration of Conflict of Interests
- Professional Qualification

- **International recognition**
UEMS EACCME CME Credits are recognised in **USA, Canada** and **21 EU Countries**

ESC accredited programmes since October 2016

- **Accredited Live Education Events: 91**

Type	2016	2017	2018	Grand Total
Congress	3	6	2	11
Course		14	2	16
Webinar	2	52	10	64
Grand Total	5	72	14	91

- **Accredited Elearning Materials: 3 Modules + 1 Elearning platform (ESCeL)**

National and European accreditation in cardiology

National and European accreditation

European accreditation is

- a plus for **international** audience (recognition between countries)
- **not competing with national accreditation**, it comes on top of it
- a **solution for on-line educational programmes** attracting users from all over the world.



Thank you

