

## EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR

## CARDIOVASCULAR PREVENTION AND REHABILITATION (EACPR)

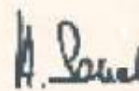
In 2007, the European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation grew to over 1,450 members, and has expanded its activities at a political, professional and society level.

The EACPR has a flourishing European Journal on Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation with 6 issues per year and an increasingly successful annual congress with EuroPREvent Madrid in 2007 and Paris in 2008. Collaborating for the first time with the ESC Congress Division, EuroPREvent was a great success. Cooperation between the sections of the Association was excellent, allowing the Association to set up a common scientific programme with the highest standards.

This helped to bring a heterogeneous group with different ambitions closer to achieving an organisation with one vision, one goal and one voice. Numerous EACPR scientific presentations of excellent quality were presented in Vienna. The EACPR web traffic is steadily increasing and the lifestyle and CVD literature is recognised as the preferred topic by the web visitors.

The highlight of 2007 was certainly the signing of the European Heart Health Charter at the EU Parliament Building in Brussels together with 14 European organisations. The European Guidelines on CVD Prevention were launched in Vienna and their implementation will become the main task for us in the near future.

Other projects include setting standards and ensuring quality through position papers, recommendations, education, trainings and research to promote the Call for Action and national alliances at a European and national level, as well as supporting primary prevention programmes and specialists' cardiac rehabilitation and prevention centres all over Europe.



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