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
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

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• 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