Dear FIP member

After a few years of collaboration between MEPS Board Members and the International Committee of Military Medicine (ICMM) through the Chair for the Technical Commission for Pharmacy of the ICMM, the signing of the MOU between the two organisations finally became reality.

This Newsletter is purely to let you all know of this momentous occasion. A further Newsletter will be released soon with other articles of relevance to MEPS.

If anyone has anything they would like to share via the newsletter please do not hesitate to forward your information to the Communications Officer.

MOU Between FIP and ICMM

SnrCol Arne Krappitz, MajGen Roger Van Hoof, Mr Dominique Jordan, Cdr Sylvain Grenier

On 23 May 2019, Mr Dominique Jordan, FIP President, joined Major-Général Roger Van
formalizes the collaboration between MEPS and the Technical Commission for Pharmacy of the ICMM, which had started a few years ago and provides support for expanded cooperation between both organizations. It supports the FIP mission to improve global health by supporting the advancement of pharmaceutical practice, sciences and education and the Vision 2020 statement: “As the global network of pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists, FIP and its Member Organisations have an inherent obligation to be at the table wherever - globally, regionally and locally - and whenever medicine is being discussed.”

The ICMM is an international and intergovernmental organization created in 1921. It has a membership of 119 nations. Its mission includes the following key areas: to maintain and strengthen the bonds of professional collaboration between members; to encourage, within its means and the operational framework, respect for and application of international humanitarian law, in particular by organizing or supporting courses on international humanitarian law; to provide liaison with various international bodies concerned with the fate and protection of the wounded and sick; to promote the spread of medical doctrines applicable to medical care in case of large numbers of wounded and sick, in both the military and civil population, and support cooperation between the different national health services, with due respect of national sovereignty; and to actively promote Peace by the free exchange of medical knowledge, international medical co-operation, thereby enhancing greater mutual understanding, tolerance and co-existence.

The creation of this MOU was facilitated by Dr Sylvain Grenier, MEPS President and Sr Colonel Arne Krappitz, Chair of the Technical Commission for Pharmacy who were also present during the signing ceremony.

This ceremony concludes several months of work and once again demonstrates MEPS leadership in promoting and collaborating military and emergency pharmacy globally.

About - Military and Emergency Pharmacy Section -

Our objective is to establish close collaboration and co-operation between pharmacists who work in the military and with the NGOs that respond in times of emergency, whether the emergency is as a result of a natural disaster or man-made. More>

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