



EAP Statutes – Summary of changes

The Executive Committee is happy to announce that the EAP General Assembly has unanimously approved the new Statute:

- A. The "European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP) / Union of European Medical Specialists – Section of Paediatrics (UEMS-SP)", has become a pan-European not-for-profit society that represents children, young adults, paediatricians and health care professionals.
- B. The European Board of Paediatrics ["EBP"] remains the European Board/Bureau of the paediatric Section of UNION EUROPEENNE DES MEDECINS SPECIALISTES (as indicated in the Memorandum of Understanding signed by EAP and UEMS).

The most important features of the new Articles of Association and Rules of Procedure are:

- 1) The EAP/UEMS-SP is an international non-profit association - INPO
- 2) The objectives of the Association shall be achieved by harmonising, coordinating, and monitoring standards for clinical paediatrics and paediatric research throughout Europe.
- 3) Full membership of the Association is open to the National Paediatric Organisations of the countries that are listed on the website of the regional office for Europe of the World Health Organisation (<http://www.euro.who.int/en/countries>) (the "Full Members").
- 4) Each European Society representing a paediatric subspecialty recognized by UEMS may become a Member ("Paediatric Subspecialty Members").
- 5) Individual Members of these Societies in good standing are considered "EAP Fellows" that may participate in EAP activities.
- 6) The president of the European Board of Paediatrics is *ex officio* (without election) the Vice President of the EAP.
- 7) The Primary Care Permanent Council serves the scientific, educational, professional and practice-based interests of primary care and community based paediatrics, by providing representation of primary care to the Association and its relevant task forces and strategic advisory groups and to the European Board of Paediatrics.
- 8) The Secondary/Tertiary Care Council serves the scientific, educational, professional and practice-based interests of secondary/tertiary care (hospital based) and academic paediatrics by providing representation of secondary/tertiary care to the Association and its relevant task forces and strategic advisory groups and to the European Board of Paediatrics.
- 9) EAPRASnet is a Network of National Coordinators who are members of a Permanent Council.
- 10) Young EAP (yEAP) is a Network with its own terms of reference linked to the EAP Constitution. Young EAP members may register in a Permanent Council. The chair of the Young EAP has a seat on the Executive Committee.