

# COHEHRE Newsletter



**Annual COHEHRE  
conference 2010  
Oulu, Finland  
26-28 April 2010  
Theme:  
Innovation in Education**



## Message from the president

Dear colleagues,

I hope you all had a good summer break and full of energy and inspiration for the new academic year!

I am very happy to introduce to you this first issue of the new Coehre Newsletter. I hope this may prove to be a valid instrument to improve communication within the consortium.



I particularly hope that it may be a source of inspiration for intensifying cooperation between the member institutions.

I am looking forward to a year in which the Coehre Academy may establish itself as a platform of Coehre activities and to an exciting Conference in Oulu.

Cor Segeren

## This is your place!

We reserve this place especially for you, our member, to announce special news about your institution, your project, an event organised by your institution ... or something else you want to announce to the other COHEHRE members. If you want your message to be put in our next newsletter please contact [benedicte.desmedt@arteveldehs.be](mailto:benedicte.desmedt@arteveldehs.be)

**DIPRA**  
- Counselling for Practice -

**DIPRA project** is a multilateral project which is being developed within the framework of the Lifelong Learning Programme and the Erasmus Curriculum Development programme to improve counseling skills of health care professionals. The project's main outcome will be a new on-line study module on counseling and patient education of diabetics for health care professionals.

## Dates for your diary

- 21-23 September 2009:  
**The first multidisciplinary International Research and Development Conference Silkeborg, Denmark**  
[www.viauc.dk/konferencer](http://www.viauc.dk/konferencer)
- 1-3 October 2009:  
**NIPNET-Conference 2009 Bergen, Norway**  
[www.nipnet.org](http://www.nipnet.org)
- 11-14 April 2010:  
**NETNEP Nurse Education International Conference Sydney, Australia**  
[www.NETNEP-conference.elsevier.com](http://www.NETNEP-conference.elsevier.com)



## COEHRE Academy

The COEHRE Academy (CA) is an initiative within the consortium which has been planned for some time. We are delighted to report that, following our recent council meeting, the Academy is gradually coming to life!

The CA is a taskforce with a clearly defined mission and a mandate to take an active role in developing activities. The council is responsible for the Academy. The Academy will form part of the consortium and not a separate institute. As a task force it comprises of one council member (Filip Dejonckheere) and four invited academics from member institutions. They will communicate on a regular basis and normally meet once a year at the conference to:

- Discuss how to support and develop activities
- Evaluate and promote the results of the ongoing projects

- Plan new initiatives according to the needs or to the proposals of member institutions

In future, COEHRE projects will all be located within the CA and each will have a named project coordinator. Proposals, results and new initiatives will be very welcome and regularly presented to the CA. In addition to the annual conference of the consortium, new proposals for projects can be initiated by members and presented to the CA at any time. Any member or partner institution of COEHRE can be candidates for joining a new project.

During the COEHRE annual conference, the report and the products of the Academy will be presented to all members of the consortium. The aim is not only to inform about the activities of the CA, but also to stimulate active involvement of the member institutions. The first meeting of the CA will be in September. If you have any ideas or thoughts about new initiatives, please contact us.

## News from the council

The first meeting of the new council has been taking place during the first week of July in Gent.

This time we were very pleased to have Charlotte Kristensen from Metropolia University Copenhagen and Filip Dejonckheere from Arteveldehogeschool in Gent joining us as new council members.

The council usually meets three times a year. Usually this is twice in Gent (January and July) and once in the city where the conference is located immediately prior to the conference.

This council meeting had, as usual, a very full agenda. A full day and a half have been taken up with the meeting, then a further half day has been spent on working in pairs on tasks which resulted from the meeting. A lot of our discussion and thinking this time have been taken up with the COEHRE Academy, analyzing the feedback from the Tallinn conference and using this to focus our thinking on future conferences as well as the ongoing regular items about managing the finances and membership issues.

The council are leaving Gent and thinking about heading off on summer breaks from their home institutions. On their behalf, may I wish you a peaceful and restful holiday time along with a hope that you will return to work full of innovating and inspiring ways of working in the autumn.



**We hope you enjoyed your holidays!**

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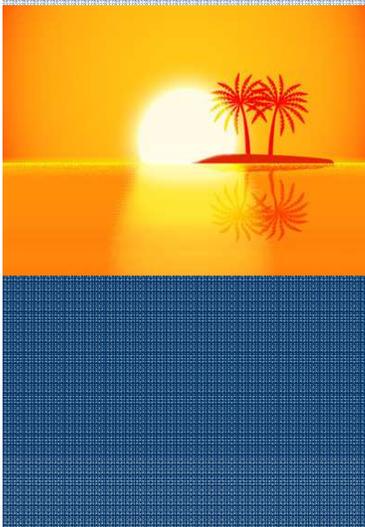
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## Council members

This year we have been delighted to welcome new members to the council: Charlotte Kristensen and Filip Dejonckheere.

We were sad to see Frank Buijs and Marc Velghe leave the council at the conference in April however we look forward to continued work with them in other capacities in the future.

### Cor Segeren – President and external alliances

Cor will be fully involved in the management of the organisation. His special skills will be used to focus on

## New members for COEHRE?

Those of us who are participating all recognise the benefits of COEHRE membership.

As council members, we would all like to think how we could 'spread the word' to those who are not yet members about the gains for organisations and people from joining up and participating fully in COEHRE activities and opportunities.

For this reason, over the next year, council members (and we hope all our participating members too) will take every opportunity to mention COEHRE in their joint working with any non-member organisations.

We will produce an information pack which can be printed off and taken to leave at national uni and inter-professional conferences, inter-university meetings and other events.



organizations to promote joint working and other collaboration in order to the further work of COEHRE.

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### Jen Lewis-Smith – Vice-President and Secretary (including membership)

Jen will deputize for Cor when necessary. She will act as the secretary of the organisation. The key focus in her work with COEHRE will be on leading development on the communication structure, marketing and services to members.

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### Filip Dejonckheere – Treasurer and COEHRE Academy

Filip, being the Belgian member, will automatically act as treasurer as well as coordinating the activity of the COEHRE Academy and keeping an eye on the quality of the developments and activities in which COEHRE engages.

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### Madalena da Silva – Conference and COEHRE Academy

Madalena will bring her skill and experience to bear in focusing on coordinating the planning and organisation of the annual

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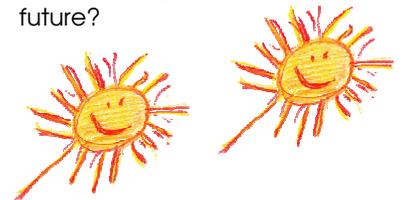
*Our main aim is to bring together the health care and social work/social care study fields*

## Website

We have had a lot of feedback about the website from our members.

An area for discussion and brainstorming of the council was around our web presence.

- What is working well?
- What would issues would we like to change?
- What might be new ways of possibly using the website in the future?



conference. As an academic and researcher she will also assist Filip in being a key member of the COEHRE Academy.

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### Charlotte Kristensen – Student conference and Clearing house

Charlotte will be a key member of the conference planning team in coordinating the planning and the organisation of the student conference. She will also take a lead in managing the clearing house for student placements outside Europe.

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