The European Midwives Association (EMA) and the Bund Deutscher Hebammen (BDH e.V.) invite you to
the 2nd EMA Education conference:

7 – 8 December 2007
Berlin, Germany, Hotel MELIA

Travel information

Conference venue:

Melia Hotel Berlin • Friedrichstrasse 103
D-10117 Berlin • Germany
T. (+49) 30 2060790-0 • MELIA.BERLIN@SOLMELIA.COM
www.meliaberlin.com

Very close to the hotel (2 minutes) you will find the train station “Friedrichstrasse” which connects you to all parts of the city including all airports.

International Airport Berlin Schönefeld: S-Bahn (suburban train) line S9 (every 10 minutes) and AirportExpress trains (every half hour). Traveling time S9 45 minutes, Airport express 25 min. Final destination “Friedrichstrasse”. Ticket 2.10 € / Taxi ca. 35 €

International Airport Berlin Tegel: Bus Shuttle JetExpressBus TXL links to the city center every 10 minutes. Final destination “Unter den Linden”. Ticket 2.00 € / Taxi 20 €


• More travel information: www.meliaberlin.com •

Aim of this conference

This 2nd EMA conference aims to provide a platform for discussion, networking and collaboration between countries and midwifery organisations and address the implications of freedom of movement for midwifery education and practice in Europe.

Over the two days of conference, delegates will hear presentations from expert speakers on the current standards of midwifery education and practice in a range of European countries.

During the conference delegates will have the opportunity to:
• examine the standards of midwifery practice
• debate the significance of the Bologna process for midwifery education
• have an opportunity to establish Tuning projects between the countries
• examine current processes for free movement of midwives within the EU
• discuss opportunities for developing shared learning between countries
• learn about new aspects of midwifery programmes

Background

The first EMA education conference, in Stockholm in 2004, created an invaluable arena for midwives and midwife educators to discuss midwifery education in Europe.

Three years later there is still a need of improvement in midwifery education programmes in many countries. New and rapidly changing challenges in the health care sector demand that the education of midwives is continuously reviewed. With the enlargement of the EU it is important to understand the various levels and standards of midwifery education within the EU. With free movement of midwives within the EU it is vital to provide an opportunity for discussion, networking and collaboration between different organisations and countries.

Who should attend

Midwives and midwife educators interested in present and future curriculum development and its European dimension

Organiser of conference

European Midwives Association EMA together with Bund Deutscher Hebammen BDH

Further details and the conference programme will be issued soon.

If you have any further questions please contact EMA at ema@knov.nl or one of the planning committee midwives: Susanne Simon: susanne.simon@berlin.de
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The Education of Midwives in Europe
Reconciling the Standards
**European Midwives Association (EMA)**  
**Bund Deutscher Hebammen (BDH e.V.)**  
**Friday 7th December 2007**

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| 11.00-11.15 | Chairperson’s welcome  
Introduction to conference  
Deirdre Daly, EMA President                                      |
| 11.15-12md | Key note: Midwives in the European Union  
Ms Pamela Brumter-Coret, Head of EU Unit for Regulated Professions |
| 12md-12.45 | Improving women’s health in Europe - through common midwifery competencies?  
Prof. Friederike zu Sayn-Wittgenstein, Jessica Pehlke-Milde |
| 12.45-13.00 | Questions and discussion                                               |
| 13.00-14.00 | Lunch                                                                   |
| 14.00-15.30 | Midwifery education: perspectives from six countries  
- Sweden  
- Country from South Europe  
- Slovenia  
- Germany  
- Austria  
- Switzerland |
| 15.30-16.15 | Midwifery students’ voices:  
- Netherlands: Perspectives on international placements  
- Belgium: Perspectives on international placements  
- Germany: Practical Education Training |
| 16.15-16.45 | Coffee                                                                  |
| 16.45-17.45 | Workshops                                                               |
| 17.45-18.30 | Feedback from workshops: five key points                                |
| 18.30     | Chairperson’s Closing Remarks                                           |
| 20.00     | Dinner                                                                   |

**European Midwives Association (EMA)**  
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**Saturday 8th December 2007**

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| 9.00-9.15 | Chairperson’s welcome  
Introduction to conference day 2                                      |
| 9.15-10.00 | Joint education in Europe - A European Master programme for midwifery  
Prof. Valerie Fleming                                          |
| 10.00-10.45 | Regulation of Midwifery in Europe  
Dr. Susan Way                                                  |
| 10.45-11.15 | Coffee                                                                  |
| 11.15-12md | Challenges of Bologna – the Tuning project.  
Development, coordination and outcome  
Grace Jaccarini                                                |
| 12md-12.30 | Transnational accreditation of midwifery education  
Katelijne de Koster                                             |
| 12.30-13.00 | Questions and discussion                                               |
| 13.00-14.00 | Lunch                                                                   |
| 14.00-14.30 | Challenges for the education – Midwives intrapartum risk perception – A European Study  
Dr. Marianne Mead                                              |
| 15.00-15.30 | Conference evaluation: Where to from here? Actions for the future.     |
| 15.30-15.45 | Closing remarks  
Deirdre Daly, EMA President                                        |

**Conference Registration**

**Venue**  
The conference will be held at the MELIA Hotel Berlin which is situated right in the heart of Berlin and runs along the banks of river Spree:  
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**Conference fees per person**  
All conference fees will include lunch, coffee, mineral water for two days and the dinner on 07 December 2007.

- Single room in the hotel: 320 Euro  
- Double room in the hotel: 265 Euro  
- without accommodation: 190 Euro

Payments should be made in Euro to the headquarter of BDH. If you want to stay an extra night please contact the hotel directly.

Please send your registration **before 15 September 2007**  
by e-mail to info@bdh.de  
code: EMA conference or by fax +49 721 9818920  
For any further questions please contact Ellen Grünberg  
phone +49 721 9818917

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Profession (midwife/teacher/governmental officer)  
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- □ Yes I am able to attend and I need (please mark)  
  □ Single room  
  □ Double room [Please note that for this option you have to  
  name us a colleague with whom you are going to share the  
  room] Name of colleague: ___________________________  
- □ without accommodation

The conference fee is _______ Euro  
and will be paid to  
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