

## Disaster Medicine Section – Meeting Minutes, Brussels 2018

New chair: Luca Ragazzoni

I started the mandate in December 2017 after the election done by email after the Congress in Athens. The objective of my mandate will be:

- 1) To create more interaction among the members of the section
- 2) To develop fruitful collaboration with International Organizations operationally involved in disaster and humanitarian responses such as WHO, DG ECHO, MSF, WADEM. etc.
- 3) To organize courses during the years in disaster medicine
- 4) To collaborate with other EUSEM committees and sections (Education Committee - Eric Driver)
- 5) To enlarge the topics addressed during the EUSEM Congress to include also humanitarian emergencies and disaster risk reduction activities

Since the beginning of my mandate I have been working in preparing the pre-congress course and the congress tracks for Glasgow.

The pre-congress course will be called 'Mass Casualty Incident Response Plan: Riceland Simulation Exercise' where participants from various backgrounds and experience in mass casualty incident planning and response will collaborate similar to the constituents involved in the creation of an actual mass casualty incident response plan. The class will be divided into three committees to work together and collectively to produce a hazard vulnerability analysis, resource analysis and a mass casualty incident plan of a fictional country. Participants will receive lessons from experts, breakout sessions to guide each of the committees to work towards completion of their assignments, and a computer simulation to exercise their plan

Disaster Medicine Tracks:

1<sup>st</sup> SLOT - Migrant Crisis in Europe

2<sup>nd</sup> SLOT - Humanitarian Response

3<sup>rd</sup> SLOT - Disaster Risk Reduction

In the next months I will organize online ZOOM meeting to meet all the members and I will organize webinars in specific hot topics with experts in those topics.

Call for action (letter) Positive action point

- Teacher for courses
- Education opportunities
- **Meeting in Glasgow (where and when)**
- Involve young doctors
- All the EUSEM Members

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