Saturday, June 20th, 2015 Voltoni del Guazzatoio, Palazzo della Pilotta, Parma

TRIBUTE TO THE LEGACY OF CARLO HUGO DI BORBONE-PARMA "Investing in peace through the young generation of medical doctors and health workers "



The International Parma Echo Conferences, held for the past 23 years, have attracted high-quality scientists and medical students from Europe, the US and other parts of the Globe. Besides addressing issues of pediatric cardiology, over the years the participants have shown growing interest in discussing the social and moral mission of physicians. A recurring short humanitarian session, held at the end of the previous Meeting editions, has been expanded this year to a full day special session entitled "Investing in peace through the young generation of medical doctors and health workers", as a tribute to the Legacy of Carlo Hugo di Borbone-Parma.

The rationale of this Session is based on the following considerations:

- The City of Parma and its University have a long tradition of involvement in International health cooperation, serving the less-developed Countries and supporting health structures and training. The recent dialogues with the University Center for International Cooperation members have also stimulated interest for closer participation.
- People are becoming increasingly concerned about the problems of violence and injustice at all levels of society. Contributing to the creation of a peaceful and just world depends on our ability to understand the issues, confront our prejudices, and develop new and creative solutions.
- It has been shown that the physicians and health workers may have the opportunity to fill in the gap between conflicting realities.



Faculty of the Echo Meeting



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University of Parma

Morning Session – Round Table

9:00 Welcome Remarks:

Umberto Squarcia Director of the Echo Meeting

Loris Borghi Rector Magnificus of Parma University



Round Table, Chairperson: Iqbal Riza, Special Advisor to the Secretary General of the United Nations

1 - Role of the University in promoting peace education *Giliberto Capano, Director of Political Science, Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa-Firenze*

2 - Role of Medical Faculties in promoting peace education *Jo Boufford, President New York Academy of Medicine*

3 - Developing peace education in African Universities **Peter Eriki,** Director Health Systems – ACHEST, Center for Global Health and Social Transformation

4 - Project of children's hearts in Africa Alessandro Frigiola, Founder of Bambini Cardiopatici nel Mondo

Coffee Break

5 - Medical Peace Work (MPW): strengthening the health workers' capacity in violence prevention and peace building *Klaus Melf, Founder of MPW*

6 - Healing under fire; the case of Southern Thailand *Louisa Chan and Gabriella Arcadu,* Founders of Rugiagli Initiative

7 - The Center for International Cooperation and the Master in International Health of the Parma University *Marco Mezzadri and Lorella Franzoni, University of Parma*

8 - Questions and Answers

13:00 Lunch

Afternoon session – Brainstorming

14:00 A challenging session will take place with the aim of identifying future initiatives, hosted by the University of Parma.

Below you will find the three discussion group topics.

Chairperson: *Fabrizio Bassani* (former ADG World Health Organization Geneva - New York)



I - Health cooperation initiatives: learning from each other and moving forward

Consensus on effective cooperation models and partnership creation. Coordinated by **Henri Verhaaren** (Gent University, Belgium)

II - New models for health cooperation in a world facing rapid changes

How do you adopt your programs to cope with changing realities? Security challenges and immigration. *Coordinated by Grammenos Mastrojeni (Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation)*

III - The role of Internet Technologies

What are the methodologies: e-learning, e-medicine, teleconferencing, social media advocacy for health for all. How relevant are they for our purposes? What are the "pros and cons"? *Coordinated by Federico Monaco (e-learning designer at Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria di Parma)*

The discussions will take place between 14:00 to 15:15 with a fifteen minute wrap up, summarizing the recommendations of the three groups. We hope to obtain opinions on issues of common interest and to collect expressions of expertise that participants might be willing to offer to future initiatives. There will not be time for debate, rather cogent suggestions that can be followed up on in future planning, will be the focus.

We would appreciate knowing ahead of time in which group you would like to participate; please send an email with your choice to:

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Looking forward to meeting you in the beautiful "Palazzo della Pilotta", where Art will blend with and add to an enjoyable atmosphere and fruitful discussion.

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