**E.A.N.A.**



**COOPERATION AGREEMENT**

concluded between the Parties

1. **European Working Group of Practitioners and Specialists in Free Practice**

**Europäische Arbeitsgemeinschaft der niedergelassenen Ärzte**

**Groupement Européen des médicins en pratique libre**

Weihburggasse 10-12-, A-1010 Vienna, legally represented by the President Dr. Jörg Pruckner, henceforward abbreviated as E.A.N.A.

1. **European Union of Medical Specialists / Union Européenne des Médecins Spécialistes**

Av. de la Couronne, B-1050 Brussels, legally represented by the President Dr. Zlatko Fras,

henceforward abbreviated as UEMS

**Article 1**

**Purpose of the Agreement**

By this agreement, the contracting parties aim to enhance their cooperation in order to:

* form an alliance for a better representation of European medical doctors by respecting the autonomy and equality of each party
* better achieve the parties’ respective aims and purposes
* prevent duplication of processes
* reduce the costs of parties’ activities

Unless explicitly stated otherwise, this agreement will not affect the regulations/statutes of either contracting party, does not prevent any of the parties to enter into any agreement with third parties and does not alter the legal status of either party or its independence.

The Alliance is not a legal person.

**Article 2 (to discuss and revise)**

**Objectives**

Under this agreement, the parties shall establish their cooperation in the following fields:

* Integrated health care
* Promotion of preventive medicine and high quality health care in Europe
* Cooperation with national or international representative organizations
* Professional independence, clinical autonomy
* Quality assurance

[+ any other topic requested by the UEMS]

**Article 3:**

**Common bodies (disucss and revise)**

For the purposes under art. 2, the Parties shall establish their cooperation within the Alliance’s Committee.

The Alliance’s Committee consists of the

* Presidents
* (First) Vice-presidents
* Secretary Generals

of the respective parties.

The Alliance’s committee meets at least once a year.

The seat of the Alliance’s committee shall be at? (to be determined).

**Article 4:**

**Decision-making**

All decisions require a consensus of both parties. The common decisions shall have binding effect on both parties.

All common papers shall include the logo of both parties.

**Article 5:**

**Finances, common staff and inventory**

In the event of costs thereby incurred these are to be equally divided between the parties. Travel, accommodation and other expenses for the common meetings are to be settled individually.

**Article 6:**

**Withdrawal from the Agreement and Termination of the Agreement**

Any party may withdraw from this Agreement by notifying the withdrawal in written form to the other party. The withdrawal shall take effect 3 months after the notification.

**Article 7**

**Final provisions, ratification**

This agreement is concluded by the Presidents of EANA and UEMS and will be issued in two identical copies with equal legal force after approval of the Board/Council of the mentioned Parties. This agreement will only come into effect after ratification by the EANA Board and UEMS Council and mutual notification of the ratifications.

Done in ……,

**EANA UEMS**

Dr. Jörg Pruckner Dr. Zlatko Fras