



The XX° Conference of the European Haemophilia Consortium (EHC) will take place in Parma, city of art, food and music in May 2007 (18-20).

The European Haemophilia Conference is an umbrella (non profit organization in the near future) of 44 Haemophilia Associations and Societies within Europe

and is taking important steps to improve the quality of life of people with haemophilia across Europe.

During the EHC annual conferences that takes place, on a rotating basis, in Eastern and Western European countries, the observer can count on a friendly and collaborative atmosphere that favours information and experience exchange between the participants: doctors, patients, public health professionals and people representing the industry.

The XX° Conference will provide an overview of the main topics in the scientific and social international agenda.

The opening session is focused on the three strategic topics on the agenda of the future of haemophilia care: role of research, health care professional motivation and recruitment and capacity building promotion.

The second session is dedicated to patients' rights and duties across nations and to the role and the challenges of the European Commission. Child Management and family support are the topics of the third session, with a particular focus on psychological needs and ways to meet them.

The simultaneous workshops are the natural extension of this session providing a particular overview on camps, physical activities and family support.

The third session is the core of the Conference: "Building registries and networks across Europe". Examples from regional, national and international levels will be provided.

Is a European international network on haemophilia care far from becoming a reality?

The last session will launch a debate on pre-meeting results and remarks between the main stakeholders.

The Organizing Committee as well as the Steering Committee of the EHC hopes to have the pleasure to meet you in Parma and make the XX° EHC Meeting a success.

Gala dinner in beautiful IX Castle, perfectly restored, on Parma hills.

The **Castle of Felino** is a majestic fortress situated in the foothills of the province of Parma, a few kilometres from the town, and it is provided with ample parking space for cars and coaches. Within the 2000 covered square metres, subdivided into halls and rooms holding from 30 to 400 people.

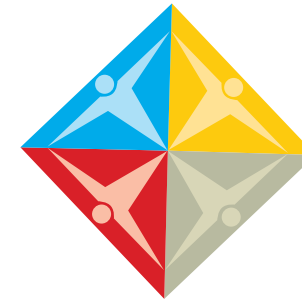
A charming evening in Parma, capital of Music

Private opera concert in elegant ancient theatre in Parma city centre, performed by historical **Verdi Chorus**. The concert will be followed by **gala dinner in ancient palace** just two steps from the Theatre in **Stateroom dating back to XIXth Century** with stuccoes and frescoes.

Starhotels du Parc

The hotel is located in the heart of Parma just two steps from the Parco Ducale. The large facade, decorated with Neoclassic touches, the spacious and light-filled interiors decorated in a Liberty Style, create a warm and inviting atmosphere, suitable for both business and leisure travellers.

For any information visit the following web site: www.ehc.parma2007.org or send a mail to EHC secretariat boehm@bluter.at or Fedemo secretariat segreteria@fedemo.it



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Building a network
for haemophilia care

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Federazione
delle Associazioni
Emofilici ONLUS

The Italian Federation of Haemophilia (Fedemo), representing 30 local associations distributed

throughout the national territory, safeguards and defends the rights of haemophilic patients across Italy (around 5000).

Fedemo is a relatively young federation but, quite committed to share the skills and experiences acquired during its relatively short life. This is the reason that brought Fedemo to be the promoter of the Italian Haemophilia Forum, whose principal aim is exchanging best practice in haemophilia care and building bridges between Western and Eastern Europe and between Europe and Mediterranean Countries.

Knowledge and experience exchange is also a key objective of the European Haemophilia Consortium strategy (WFH partnership has also been requested).

Best practice data will be collected, provided and discussed by the participants arriving from all parts of Europe.

NMO delegates (10 to 20 circa), Haemophilia Centre Directors (10 to 20 circa), Transfusion Medicine Experts (10 to 20 circa), Public Health professionals or Highly Specialised Service Commissioners (10 to 20 circa) representing the Institutions will come together to discuss and exchange ideas and experiences during the four simultaneous workshops.

The Results and remarks will be discussed publicly during the XX° EHC Conference and will be available on line shortly after.

A restricted number of grants will be made available to participants coming from countries with a low GDP. English is the official language. Simultaneous translation in Russian and English will be provided.

