To: National Presidents and Delegates

Subject: A European Summit on Hospital Pharmacy

## **Dear Presidents and National Delegates,**

To reach a desired destination one must first have a strong sense of where that destination is, and also a route map in mind as to how one will get there.

It is with this in mind that the EAHP Board of Directors desire to embark on an initiative similar to our colleagues in the USA (<u>The Pharmacy Practice Model Initiative</u>) and that also builds on the excellent work of the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) in their compilation of <u>the 2008 Basel Statements on Hospital Pharmacy</u>: A project that will guide EAHP efforts towards assisting practice improvement across Europe, and that will deliver meaningful assistance tools to all countries in this regard.

We are currently titling this suggested initiative 'the European Summit on Hospital Pharmacy' with the subtitle 'patients and professionals making the future together'.

In the past three months the broad concept of EAHP launching a pathfinding exercise of this nature has begun to take steadily more shape. I therefore wanted to take a moment to share with you our thinking in advance of both the General Assembly in June, and indeed Congress in a few weeks time — an event which always provides some helpful opportunities for dialogue and discussion between Board Members and National Presidents and Delegates on a range of issues.

Attached is a short explanatory document which I hope will provide some clarity around our intention, the desired outcomes of the suggested project, how it might operate, potential timescales and where your Association and country fit in to the plans.

Further to this, should you wish for any more information about the intended Summit, and its related activity, between now and the General Assembly, please do not hesitate to be in contact with me, other Board Members, or the secretariat.

In the meantime, I look forward to seeing some of you at Congress shortly, and all or many of you at our General Assembly in Athens in June.

Yours sincerely,

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