

The aim of DEA is to establish a holistic approach to the treatment of TSC and promote multi-disciplinary working across Europe by identifying Key Opinion Leaders in each individual country treating the disease.

There is still no cure for tuberous sclerosis complex.

A capillary network is therefore required to facilitate the sharing of best practice within a relevant clinical speciality as well as across disciplines when the need arises. This is nearly always.

The DEA Pit Stop in Budapest, Hungary saw 25 clinicians from 13 different member countries lead by **Dr. J. Chris Kingswood**, Consultant Nephrologist & TSC Specialist, Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals Trust, UK; **Dr. John C. Bissler**, Chief of Pediatric Nephrology and Director of the Tuberous Sclerosis Center of Excellence, Le Bonheur Children's Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee, U.S.A. who have lent their time and expertise to DEA Project Leaders Carla Fladrowski and Micaela Rozenberg since the embryonic phase of the Project back in early 2013.

Since then, we have hosted a total of 9 other DEA meetings with a slightly different format.

Joining the DEA Team at this 10th Pit Stop were:

Dr. Katarzyna Kotulska, Department of Neurology and Epileptology, The Children's Memorial Health Institute, and Department of Child Neurology, Warsaw Medical University, Poland; **Prof. Andras Fogarasi**, Head of Neurology, Bethesda Children's Hospital, Budapest, Hungary and **Prof. Petrus J de Vries**, Sue Struengmann Professor of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry and Mental Health, University of Cape Town, South Africa who kindly joined us via satellite.

Advocates from patient organisations across the EU were led by Rob Camp of Eurordis, mentor of the European Tuberous Sclerosis Complex Association.

A world of thanks to all our TSC experts, participants, patient organisations including Imola Dankahazi and the Board of the Hungarian Foundation for helping to make this meeting a success.

Sincere regards

The Board of Directors

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