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Dear all

We are writing to you as national delegates to the EAP, to inform you of progress in the plan to work more closely across Europe with our sister organizations that are campaigning, as we are, for the best possible care for children. We are in discussion with EPA and other specialist societies, and are planning to meet to discuss how best we might do this.

Following the request of a number of the Presidents of National Societies at the EPA Congress there has been an offer from Neena Modi and Bert Koletzko to moderate an initial meeting this September. Neena Modi (president RCPCH, UK) volunteered to host this meeting in September and on 10th of July invitations were sent out to EAP and EAP societies. EAP has accepted that invitation and many days later we all received the email from the president of EPA, Leyla Namazova-Baranova, President of EPA/UNEPSA (attached).

Given the large number of potential stakeholders involved, (at least 40 national delegates and 14 specialty groups) a fully inclusive meeting is difficult to plan. The EAP Executive Committee are also concerned that such a large group would struggle to make progress in drawing together a workable plan within such a meeting. At the same time we recognize the need for all those parties to be involved in the process and to have a chance to discuss and comment on any future proposals.

The EAP is always ready to sit down with all major paediatric societies both national and paediatric (sub) specialty societies to discuss how to improve the welfare of children and child health as well as fighting for all paediatricians and the paediatric specialty.

However, we consider that a meeting between the EAP and the EPA, moderated by Neena Modi and Bert Koletzko in September is a very good starting point.

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