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- * Efccna Board elections
- * Research Grants
- * Key note speakers 8th Efccna Congress 2019

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Call for Abstracts & Registration

Key Dates 2018 / 2019

- * **August 31, 2018**
Abstract submission deadline
- * **November 15, 2018**
Early bird registration deadline
- * **January 31, 2019**
Regular registration deadline

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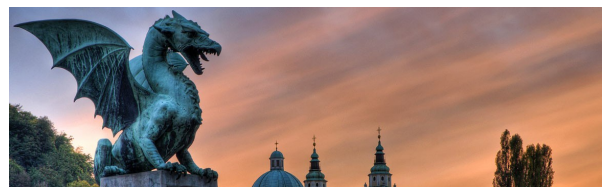
The programme is aimed at all those who work in critical care from novice to expert level. Sessions are designed to attract clinicians, educators, researchers and managers to share evidence-based practice in assessment, management and evaluation of patient outcomes of the critically ill. Critical care education and training will be enhanced through the provision of interactive workshops and master classes with experts. Year on year, the EfCCNa conferences have attracted an increasing number of participants. We have received positive feedback indicating the relevancy of the program and the enthusiastic, open and friendly atmosphere among participants making it easy to interact with critical care colleagues from Europe and beyond. The final program will be ready when all accepted abstracts are slotted in, primo October 2018.



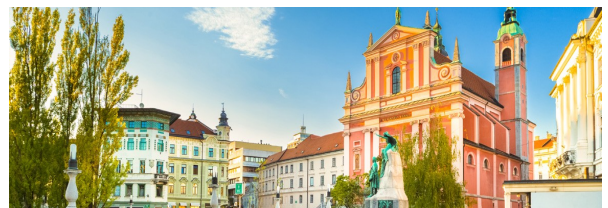
The conference will be held in Ljubljana at the Grand Union Hotel which offers an exclusive location in the heart of the city. It is Ljubljana's largest hotel conference centre and very well suited for our conference.



Ljubljana is a wonderful city. It is lively (with a large university population) and it is conveniently compact making it a true 'walking' city. All the major attractions are in close vicinity of the Grand Hotel Union. Ljubljana offers a blend of old charm and new cool. Visitors universally commend the city as an extremely safe place to visit and experience.



We hope to see you there in February 2019!



Send in your abstract and win EfCCNa's ,Best Abstract Award'!



In order to attract the best abstracts to the Congress EfCCNa is awarding three prizes for the best written abstract and one prize for the best poster.

The three abstract awards will be judged by the Scientific Committee prior to the Congress. These prizes will cover free congress registration for the 2021 Congress (worth approx. EUR 450).

The best poster award will be judged by the congress delegates and will provide up to EUR 500 to cover travel or accommodation costs associated with the Ljubljana Congress.

Deadline for abstract submission is August 31, 2018. Go to Congress website [Abstract Submission](#)

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Key Note Speaker: Ruth M. Kleinpell, PhD, RN, FAAN, FCCM



Dr. Ruth Kleinpell is currently Assistant Dean for Clinical Scholarship, Independence Foundation Chair in Nursing Education, and Professor at Vanderbilt University School of Nursing and Professor, Rush University College of Nursing. In her current role, she works with faculty and clinical staff to promote scholarship related initiatives including clinical research projects, grant writing, and publishing. Until 2017 she served as Director of the Center for Clinical Research & Scholarship at Rush University College of Nursing, where she assisted faculty and clinicians with clinical scholarship and research initiatives. She is certified as an Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner and maintains active practice. She is currently a board member and past president of the Society of Critical Care Medicine, the 3rd nurse to serve in this capacity in the 46 year history of the organization. She is also a board member of the Institute of Medicine of Chicago and the American Board of Internal Medicine's Critical Care Medicine Board. She is a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, the American College of Critical Care Medicine, the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, and the Institute of the Medicine of Chicago.

Key Note Speaker: Peter Nydahl, RN, MScN



Peter Nydahl is a Critical Care Nurse and Researcher at the Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine at the University Hospital of Schleswig Holstein, Germany. He has an interest in early rehabilitation of critical ill patients, e.g. in early mobilization, delirium management and ICU diaries. He built the networks, www.mobilization-network.org and www.icu-diary.org to support the knowledge dissemination, coordinate research activities and help with the implementation of rehabilitation.

Key Note Speaker: Kathleen M. Vollman MSN, RN, CCNS, FCCM, FAAN



Kathleen Vollman is a Critical Care Clinical Nurse Specialist, Educator and Consultant. She has published & lectured nationally and internationally on a variety of pulmonary, critical care, prevention of health care acquired injuries, work culture and sepsis recognition & management. From 1989 to 2003 she functioned in the role of Clinical Nurse Specialist for the Medical ICU's at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit Michigan. Currently her company, ADVANCING NURSING LLC, is focused on creating empowered work environments for nurses through the acquisition of greater skills and knowledge. In 2004, Kathleen was inducted into the College of Critical Care Medicine, in 2009 she was inducted into the American Academy of Nurses. In 2012, Ms Vollman was appointed to serve as an honorary ambassador to the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses. She currently serves as the financial director for the WFCNs.







The EfCCNa board elections 2018

The new composition of the EfCCNa board 2018: after the EfCCNa board elections took place during the Spring meeting in Cyprus the EfCCNa board now consists of

- * Colette Ram (re-elected Secretary)
- * Elin Steffenak (board member)
- * Anne Kokko (re-elected Vice-president)
- * Karin Klas (newly elected board member)
- * Drago Satosek (treasurer) and
- * Prof Dr Bronagh Blackwood (President)

Congratulation to the new board!



<p>Bronagh Blackwood (United Kingdom) President</p> 	<p>Anne Kokko (Finland) Vice-President</p> 	<p>Colette Ram (The Netherlands) Secretary</p> 	<p>Drago Satosek (Slovenia) Treasurer</p> 	<p>Elin Steffenak (Norway) Board member</p> 	<p>Karin Klas (Austria) Board member</p> 
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Good by, David

The Council meeting in Larnaka was the last one for David Waters as the U.K. representative. David has been engaged in EfCCNa for 10 years working on projects & advancing critical care nursing across Europe!

Besides being a representative he has become a board member in order to keep track on EU policy regarding critical care nursing. During this time a European Engagement Toolkit was developed, a practical resource which aims to provide European critical care nurses with the information and resources to better understand and interact with European political matters, especially those that have a direct impact on critical care delivery.

The EfCCNa family thanks him very much for all his valuable contributions to EfCCNa projects, his engagement and his company.

We will miss him a lot and wish him all the best for his future life.



Next Meetings Critical Care Doctoral European Nurses Group

2018 - ESICM LIVES, Paris 20-24 Oct

2019 - 8th EfCCNa Congress, Ljubljana, Slovenia 13-16 Feb

<http://www.efccna.org/nursing-research/cc-doctoral-european-nurses-group>

The EfCCNa Council Meeting in Larnaka, Cyprus

For the Spring Council meeting EfCCNa was invited by Council member Maria Foka on behalf the Cyprus Nurses and Midwives Association to come to Larnaka on the beautiful isle of Cyprus. Read a short resumee of the meeting.

President's Report

- * Congratulation to Adriano Friganovic, EfCCNa member since more than 15 years, for his new post as President of ESNO
- * Critical Care DEN – next meeting together with the nursing section of ESICM at the Congress in Paris, 20-24 Oct 2018
- * DecubICUs Study – a multicentre International One-Day Prevalence *Study* on Pressure Injuries in Intensive Care Units. To date there are more than 1000 ICUs registered from around 90 countries
- * Project: Communication of Symptoms for ICU patients, undertaken by a consortiums of 8 universities and 7 other partners; EfCCNa shall support and assist with the dissemination of surveys
- * Project: Actively eng**AGE** and Empower Nurses in Working and Home Environment - a project to keep experienced nurses in the working process. EfCCNa may contribute with a letter of support
- * 20 years of EfCCNa 2019 – a celebration of the jubilee should take place during the Ljubljana congress

ESNO update

A new board was elected in Spring 2018, EfCCNa will need a new representative in ESNO as David Waters is stepping back from his posts in EfCCNa.

MICE-ICU Erasmus+ Project

- * A symposium on multicultural nursing care in ICU will be held September 14, 2018 in Amsterdam, NL
- * an E-learning course on this subject will be available after the testing phase end of May
- * Position statement on cultural sensitive care in ICU is planned, maybe in combination with WFCCN

New EfCCNa member society

The application for membership of the Slovakian Critical Care nurses association was accepted by the Council. So EfCCNa is now consisting of 29 member societies.

GDPR- general data protection rules (EU)

This EU law will be valid from May 25, 2018 and will affect all EfCCNa affairs regarding promotional activities, social media, website and congress organisation. Consent documents have to be developed.

Research Award

Awardee 2017 is Marga Hoogendoorn from The Netherlands for her work on nursing workload on ICU: development and application of a model for prediction of workload and nursing staff. The reviewing process for the 2018 award is almost finished.

Congress 2019

The programme concept is similar to the last one in Belfast. Abstract submission deadline is August 31, 2018. Applications for workshops are still possible. A reduced fee is available for CM, fellows and ESPNIC members.

Exchange Programme 2017

1 participant from Finland went to Switzerland



The EfCCNa Council Meeting in Larnaka, Cyprus

Project: Supporting patients and relatives

An inquiry about the existence of support groups for ICU patients was sent out to the Council and brought very poor results. There are only few countries in Europe that have got such groups. Further on the project members may also set a focus on patient/relative satisfaction, quality of life after discharge and follow-up programs.

Project: Nutrition protocol

Aim is to give an overview on nurses' responsibilities to provide enteral nutrition to the critically ill patient (assessment: nutritional status, feeding tubes, implementation and monitoring the enteral nutrition, evaluation of enteral nutrition etc.). The focus will be set on aspects relevant for ICU patients with referral to official statements (Aspen/SCCM)

EU Engagement

Project now finished and the toolkit will be available on the EfCCNa web site soon



Efficiency - that is the word that Google translate suggested when searching for an adjective, capturing in one word the experience of my first EfCCNa council meeting in Cyprus.

There were approximately 30 European critical care nurses, members of the EfCCNa council or board, attending the meeting who efficiently engaged in lively discussions and working on projects during the two days.

The energy, enthusiasm and the ambition for critical care nursing, was inspiring throughout the meeting which was firmly directed by Bronagh Blackwood president of EfCCNa.

The projects that members of the EfCCNa council are working on during the meetings twice a year are interesting and all with the aim of advancing critical care nursing. The atmosphere is positive among the attending members and everyone is extremely supportive to a new representative, thank you all.



Importantly, it is not all discussing and working but also laughing, eating, drinking, tasting the wonderful Cyprus cuisine and the Cyprus hosts informing us of their traditions and of their homeland. It is a privileged being able to participate in conversations about critical care nursing throughout Europe - working together, achieving more. Thanks for a good meeting and until Amsterdam next September.

Ranveig Jonasdottir, Iceland

EfCCNa welcomes new Council members 2018



Ranveig J. Jonasdottir, Iceland

Ranveig is an Icelandic registered nurse (RN) with masters degree in nursing from University of Iceland. She acquired her BSc degree in nursing from the aforementioned University in 1993. A year later, after working in general surgical and medical wards, she began working at the intensive care unit (ICU) Fossvogur in Landspítali – The National University Hospital of Iceland, Reykjavik, where she has had her nursing career.

Ranveig is now a clinical nurse specialist in intensive care nursing at the ICU Fossvogur and a PhD candidate at the University of Iceland with the date, 11th of December 2017, set for the PhD defence. Her research field is nurse-led follow-up of patients after discharge from ICU, measuring patients' short and long-term physical and psychological outcomes. Additionally, she is particularly interested in patients' experience of the ICU stay and management of pain, agitation and delirium. Ranveig's daily work is in a multidisciplinary ICU team of counseling and direct clinical ICU nursing, and supervising ward visits to patients after discharge from the ICU. Furthermore, she is engaged in several quality improvement projects at the ICU's of Landspítali, concerning treatment and service of ICU patients.



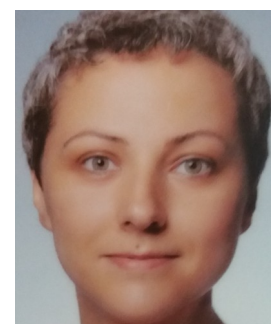
Arnaud Brunyeel, Belgium

Arnaud has been working in intensive care for 9 years. Currently, he works in the mobile team of acute medicine (ICU, PICU and emergency) at Cliniques Universitaires Saint-Luc (Brussels). He is also a teacher in intensive care specialization and emergency care at the Haute Ecole Condorcet in Mons and president of the SIZ Nursing (Belgian association of intensive care nurses). Additionally he is working on a research project concerning N/P ratio via the Nursing Activities Score (NAS).



Ebru Kiraner, Turkey

Ebru Kiraner has worked as charge nurse in intensive care for eight years and she has got critical care nursing experience since 2000. She has got certificate of critical care nursing and haemodialysis. She is interested in pressure sores care, pain management, haemodialysis, and comfort of patients with critical illness in intensive care unit. She has been board member of Turkish Society of Critical Care Nurses since 2007. In December 2017 she was elected as President of the Turkish Society of Critical Care Nurses.



Mathilde Elsa Christensen, Norway

Mathilde Elsa Christensen comes from Arendal, a city in the south of Norway. She is working as a Critical Care nurse at the ICU ward of Stavanger University Hospital. Her special ICU interests are pediatric intensive care, care for next of kin and quality improvement of clinical issues. Mathilde Elsa Christensen follows Elin Steffenak, who changed her position to an EfCCNa board member.





Ian Naldrett, United Kingdom

Ian is currently in the position of lecturer and practitioner working across both the University of West London and as a lead practice educator in The Royal Brompton Hospital cardiorespiratory intensive care/ECMO unit. He has a background of respiratory and cardiothoracic intensive care nursing, having spent significant periods in both intensive care nursing and clinical practice education. He has worked extensively as an ECMO nurse at the Royal Brompton Hospital regional Severe Acute Pulmonary Failure centre and has contributed to the education, training and governance of the ECMO programme there. He is active in the UK national critical care organization BACCN having joined the national board in 2017.



He has travelled in Europe visiting many different countries, Hospitals and Intensive care units, this is certainly what has attracted him to participating with EfCCNa.

He has led projects in his hospital trust and university around improving critical care nursing education, competency base and skills. He is very keen to contribute to the continued improvement and provision for critical care nurse education within the UK and further afield. Most central to his role and ethos is to ensure nurses are supported and developed to be able to give the best possible intensive care to their patients and their families.

He is very excited and thankful to his national organization BACCN in having this opportunity to join the council.

Having been an observer in the recent meeting in Cyprus, it is clear to him that he will meet many new people, make new international friends and be able to work with an amazing team to achieve the ethos of EfCCNa 'working together, achieving more'.

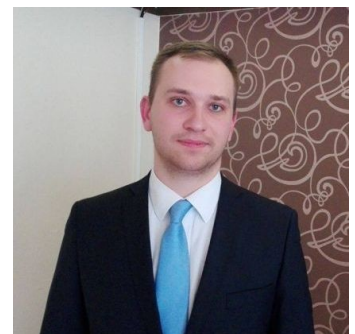


František Naňo, Slovakia

My name is Frantisek Nano. I have been working in anaesthesiology and intensive care for almost five years. Nowadays, I work at the I. Clinic of Anaesthesiology and Intensive medicine of the Faculty of Medicine of Komensky University and University Hospital Bratislava in Bratislava, Slovakia.

It is the great place for my professional grow.

During my bachelor studies of nursing care, I took apart one semester at the Charles University in Prague where I was impressed by the world of anaesthesiology and intensive care. Because of that, I decided to work in this area.



I have been always interested in nursing care research and it's outcomes because I believe that the future of nursing care, especially the critical care nursing, will be based on the scientific evidence. This was the main reason I decided to join the Section of anaesthesiology and intensive care of Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives.

I hope that our vocational section can be a relevant part of EfCCNa's community and bring a new view on current questions and challenges of CCN.

Fare well, Lerma

After almost 21 years (1997- 2018) with EfCCNa, the Belgium representative Lerma Hernandez, one of the founding members and a Fellow of EfCCNa is officially resigning from the Belgium SIZ representative position at the federation.

Lerma has been given so much of her time, her expertise & work to advance the mission of EfCCNa & through that – to the mission of critical care nursing across Europe. She was always willing to go that extra mile by accepting different projects, and of course with her big smile. For years she was responsible for the EfCCNa Newsletter and not to forget all the Annual Meetings where she audited the books, and always with the French representative, Daniel Benlahouès. The two of them were like our 'Rolls Royce' audit EfCCNa books couple! And we would rest assured, that if there was anything that needed pointed out or amending, you two would let us know, which again was all for the good of our EfCCNa business.

Thank you very much, Lerma, we wish you all the best for your future life. The EfCCNa family will miss you a lot, but this is not a goodbye. You are a Fellow of EfCCNa & through that we sincerely hope that you will continue to be part of the family & to contribute wherever you can and whenever you have time. We hope to see some continued involvement from you & no doubt also at the Congresses or the Fellows 'get togethers'.



Thank you, Audur and Besey

Audur S. Gulfadottir from Iceland left her position in the EfCCNa Council due to her personal career plans. The EfCCNa family thanks her very much for the time she has been in the Council and for her valuable contributions to the work of the federation, especially in the PR group.



Thank you



Besey Ören is working as an Assistant Professor at the Istanbul University in Istanbul, Turkey. She was the President of Turkish Critical Care Nursing Association. Thank you very much for being Council member in EfCCNa since 2015.



Exchange Programme - from Finland to Switzerland

About a year ago I heard EfCCNa Exchange Program. I chose Switzerland because they have high standard and excellent quality healthcare system. My colleague Kaisa Jacobsson helped me to find contact person from Lugano, canton of Ticino. Paul Van der Heiden kindly promised to accommodate me during my visit.

I spend four days Cardio Centro Ticino with Paul. The biggest difference compared to Finland is that many hospitals in Switzerland are private. This effects to the whole culture in healthcare and of course how much people pay for insurance. In Finland health care is mainly public and at present there is becoming a reform of social and health services. This currently affecting nurses status and wage levels too.

Cardio Centro Ticino is very appreciated private hospital and that made my visit interesting. The hospital has 45 beds, and it is specialized in cardiac surgery, cardiologic and intensive care.

On the Tuesday 10th April I was warmly admitted to the ICU in Cardio Centro. There were 9 beds and one nurse per one or someday two patients at the daytime. At the night nurse/patient ratio was 1:2. Patients had different kinds of cardiac illnesses and the nurses had excellent professional skills to take care of them. During the days I was part of the team and the patient I was looking after, spoke English, too. It made my exchange rewarding. In the free time, Paul taught me many things about IABP, ECMO, EKG, CVP, blood gas analysis etc. It was so inspiring and I learned so much new.

The nursing practices were of a high quality and the nurses made for example haemodialysis and ECMO. They also took care of respiratory therapy and hemodynamic monitoring. I paid attention to the low hierarchy and good working atmosphere. Nurses and doctors worked together seamlessly and the patients were well cared and satisfied. I also got the impression that the nurses were very motivated. Many nurses had come from Italy, which meant multicultural competence in the workplace. I found some differences in treatment practices. Here few examples. Pain management is one thing, patients were painless, there used much more opioids than in Finland. Of course patients had also various ailments. There were no nurse chair at the patient sites. Patient data were recorded on paper by pen, not in computer like in Finland. It still worked well. Nurses didn't leave the ward during their turn. And the lunch breaks were scheduled, what was a really good system. Head nurse worked with also with the patients and was the nurse-in-charge, too. The department's activities were well organized.

In summary, the EfCCNa exchange program opens up prospects for European Critical Care Nurses. I had a wonderful trip in Lugano and I recommend this program everyone who wants to expand multicultural nursing experiences. Special thanks to Paul and his family, Kaisa, Adriano and all my lovely colleagues who made this possible!

*Suvi Pihlaja, RN
Helsinki*



EfCCNa welcomes new member organisation

The section of nurses working in anaesthesiology and intensive care of Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives



The Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives was established in 2002.

In the logo of the chamber is burning lamp. The basic purpose of the chamber is to keep the register of nurses and midwives. In the beginning was registration and membership mandatory. In 2004 the amendment of the act about the chamber was adopted and so the registration stayed mandatory, but membership changed to voluntary.

The mission of Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives is to defend the professional, economic, and social interests of members. Vision of the chamber is to unify and strengthen the status of nurses and midwives in society. Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives consist of: the president, vice-presidents, council, 55 regional offices with regional presidents, 17 vocational sections.

Other activities of Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives are organizing of scientific conferences, negotiation with state administration, participation on national or international projects, international cooperation (EFN, EMA and HORATIO member), festive events (White Heart Award, etc.), mass medial presentation and internal communication.

The Section of nurses working in anaesthesiology and intensive care was established in 2008, when was the "1. scientific conference of nurses working in anaesthesiology and intensive care" held.

This vocational section falls under Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives as one of the seventeen. Nowadays, we as a section organize National scientific conferences with international participation. After 10 years of conferences, we have brought to 1815 attendants 366 oral presentations, 78 posters, 123 exhibitors and international participants from Czech Republic, Poland, Austria, Hungary, and Serbia. The section of nurses working in anaesthesiology and intensive care has its own structure: head of section, 5 elected section committee members and voluntary members of the section, also.

Other activities of the section include proceedings of abstracts and contributions with ISBN from every congress, contributions in domestic and foreign professional journals and on the web of Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives.

It is not only about formal side of our work.

We keep the family of CCN professionals in our region together, offer them opportunities to grow professionally, give them chance to confront their opinions, gain new views in anaesthesiology and intensive care and create relationships between each other for next cooperation.





EfCCNa and its member Societies

Slovakia

<i>Name of the organization</i>	Section of nurses working in anaesthesiology and intensive care of Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives
<i>Total number of members</i>	276
<i>Other professionals besides nurses accepted as members?</i>	any
<i>Congress (frequency; is there a usual month & if so, which month?)</i>	1 x per year, June
<i>Journal (if yes, name)</i>	Informational bulletin of Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives (but it is not made by our vocational section)
<i>Membership fee</i>	There is a membership fee for membership in Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives of 25 EUR per year, but there is no additional membership fee for membership in vocational sections belonging to Slovak chamber of nurses and midwives.
<i>Approximate salary (€) for junior CCN in your country</i>	gross salary: nurse without specialization in intensive care 738,72 EUR, after graduation of the specialization in intensive care is it 875,52 EUR
<i>Average working hours per week</i>	37,5 h - nurses working on ICUs, 33,5 h – nurses working in the controlled zone of the workplace with sources of ionizing radiation
<i>In your country are there critical care courses that are available after registering as a nurse? If so, please describe their level/s (e.g. diploma, bachelor, master)</i>	We have special courses for anaesthesiology and intensive care for nurses after registering as a nurse and after 3 years of continuous practice in the critical care department. These courses are not classified and do not belong in the system of university degrees as you have reflected, but it is a separate grade called specialization study. It is 1,5year long study.
<i>Approximate Number of hospitals with adult Intensive Care Units (accepting mechanically ventilated patients)</i>	appr. 70
<i>Average Nurse: Patient Ratio during day shift for mechanically ventilated patients</i>	2-3
<i>Most important activity/achievement of the association in the last year</i>	participation on preparation of legislation of nurses with advanced practice competencies in Slovakia, X. Slovak national congress of nurses working in anaesthesiology and intensive care, an admission to EfCCNa
<i>Hot topics in Critical Care in your Country</i>	minimal staffing normatives, competencies of nurses specialists in anaesthesiology and intensive care, wages, deficiency of nurses

What is going on in the MICE-ICU Project?

The project started with a literature review, exploring Cultural Competencies in Poland, Czech Republic and Slovenia. The result of the review showed there were only a few articles written about culture competences and knowledge. Nothing specific on culture situations on the ICU.

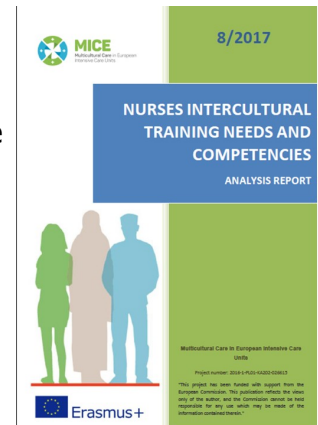
The next part of the project involved a questionnaire distributed to 590 nurses from the countries' mentioned above, together with EfCCNa.

Most of the nurses participating in the questionnaire from the EfCCNa group came from the Nordic countries, UK and Israel. The questionnaire was analysed and the full report is under the folder results on the MICE-ICU website. The result showed that there is a need and demand for more cultural knowledge and competence within Critical Care nurses.

The second period started in October 2017 and it will last until September this year. This period contains two very important modules: Development and publishing an online educational course. The course will be free to download from the MICE-ICU webpage <http://mice-icu.eu/> and later from EfCCNa's web page www.efccna.org.

The last step is for all the partners to organise a local event where Critical Care nurses will learn about cultural competences. EfCCNa invite all Critical Care nurses from Europe to come and participate in a symposium on multicultural nursing care in Amsterdam September 14, 2018.

The participants from EfCCNa project group have also published an editorial in the September issue 2017 Nursing in Critical Care, <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/nicc.12313/full> The article emphasizes the importance of gaining cultural competence for ICU nurses. Our society is changing due to conflicts and changes of economic outcomes in the world. There is a migration of populations going on constantly. The patient we care for in the ICU's are often unconscious and cannot speak up for themselves and we are expected to treat them and respect their ethnic line and religious identity.




MICE
Multicultural Care in European
Intensive Care Units

The Erasmus+ Project Mice-ICU
Symposium on Multicultural Nursing Care on ICU
 Academic Medical Centre, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 September 14, 2018 – 9.00 – 16.00
www.mice-icu.eu

Eva Barkestad
 EfCCNa Coordinator MICE-ICU
 project.
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Critical Care Nurses in Europe Save the Date: September 14, 2018

On behalf of the Erasmus+ Project Group EfCCNa is looking forward to welcome you to the first European Symposium on cultural sensitive nursing care in Intensive Care Units.

For more information on the programme and to register to the Symposium please go to:

<http://mice-icu.eu/symposium-intercultural-nursing-care-icu/>

Registration is free of charge; delegates must register in order to insure a spot - spaces are limited!



EfCCNa Research Grants

These grants are aimed primarily at encouraging European nursing research that focuses on critically ill patients, their relatives, or the staff and services that provide for them.

Who can apply?

The grants are open to members of national associations that are members of the EfCCNa.

Funding

The funds available each year for individual grants are up to 4.000 €. Priority will be given to applications that fall within the top 10 European research priorities for critical care nursing. For more information about the grants please have a look at the [EfCCNa Research Grant Guidelines](#).

Application

For grant application please use the [EfCCNa Research Grant application form](#).

The closing date for consideration of research grants for 2019 is **1st September 2018**.



The EfCCNa Research Grant 2017 was given to Marga Hoogendoorn from The Netherlands for her work on Nursing Workload on ICU: development and application of a model for prediction of workload and nursing staff. Congratulations!

Adriano Friganović, new President of ESNO

Adriano Friganovic came to his first EfCCNa council meeting in 2002, which was held in Paris. At that time, he was only in the beginning of his twenties and the youngest person to serve on EfCCNa council, representing Croatian Nurses Society of Anaesthesia, Reanimation, Intensive Care and Transfusion. He was an ambitious young man and already the president of his association.

In Spring 2018 we was elected as the President of the European Specialist Nurses Organisations (ESNO).

EfCCNa congratulates him very much to his new position and wishes him all the best for his future.



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Congress Calendar 2018 - *click on the logos to get linked*



9th Congress of the World Federation of Pediatric Intensive & Critical Care Societies

9-13 June, 2018 | Singapore
wfpiccs.kenes.com



Abstract Submission Deadline: 9 January, 2018
Early Registration Deadline: 14 March, 2018

World Federation of Pediatric Intensive & Critical Care Societies



The EFCcNa Exchange Programme

Critical care nursing in Europe varies from one country to another. In order to increase awareness and to develop a deeper understanding of how critical care nursing is delivered throughout Europe, EFCcNa is proposing an exchange programme which enables critical care nurses to spend some time on an ICU in another European country.



Aims and Objectives of the programme

- to widen the professional horizon of critical care nurses in Europe
- to promote international collaboration and to share expertise
- to stimulate the personal professional development of critical care nurses in Europe

Who can participate?

All critical care nurses or nurses working in intensive care who's national professional organisation is a member society of EFCcNa.

Here is a quote from Gemma Via, CCN from Spain:

To sum up, this was a really enriching experience, and that's why I encourage other colleagues to join the programme. It is the way to experience first hand that nursing care is not the only thing that makes a difference; it is also factors such as the organizational structure and inter-professional communication. Each team, in their context, has their strengths, threats, opportunities and weaknesses.

Interested?
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