



Mreža transplantiranih jugoistočne Evrope South east Europe transplant network

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION

At the meeting held on 30th March 2015 in Zlatibor an agreement has been made about the cooperation of regional transplant associations through the South East Europe Transplant Network by signing a mutual memorandum of cooperation.

Memorandum signatories:

- The Association of Pediatric Kidney Patients and Organ Transplant Recipients *All For A Smile*; Ustanička 64, 11070 Belgrade, Republic of Serbia, TIN 105929300; representative Jelena Alavanja
- The Association of Renal Patients of Slovenia; Zaloška Cesta 7, 1000 Ljubljana, Republic of Slovenia, TIN SI26545659; representative Jože Ocvirk
- The Association of Dialysis and Transplant Patients of Bosnia and Herzegovina; Poslovni centar 96 bb, 72250 Vitez, Bosnia and Herzegovina, TIN 4236597510002; representative Tomislav Žuljević
- Transplant Association of Croatia; Nike Grškovića 5, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia, TIN 47697077526; representative Tanja Watz

Article 1

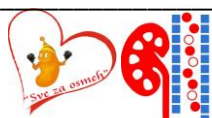
The memorandum of cooperation is concluded between the signatories for the purpose of achieving mutual goals, which are defined in this memorandum along with the ways in which they can be achieved.

The signatories agree that the activities defined in this memorandum should be performed under the collective name of the *South East Europe Transplant Network* (in the following text: *The Network*).

In its future activities *The Network* will be using a logo consisting of a geographical map of South East Europe (the map is symbolic) and a green ribbon with a *Donate Life* inscription.

The signatories agree that all the materials created as a product of mutual collaboration will be published under the title and with the logo of *The Network*.

The signatories agree that each country will use its own language as a language of communication (taking into account that it is clear and intelligible to all).





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THE GOALS

1. INCREASED NUMBER OF ORGAN TRANSPLANTS (AS WELL AS THE NUMBER OF DONORS); PREVENTION OF ILLNESS
2. IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF TREATMENT AND THE QUALITY OF PEOPLE'S LIVES BEFORE AND AFTER AN ORGAN TRANSPLANT
3. IMPROVEMENT OF EXISTING LAWS REGULATING THE FIELD OF ORGAN TRANSPLANT AND THEIR REGIONAL HARMONIZATION.
4. CREATION OF GUIDELINES, PROTOCOLS AND REGISTERS
5. MUTUAL SUPPORT, EXPERIENCE EXCHANGE AND TRANSMISSION OF GOOD PRACTICE EXAMPLES BETWEEN THE MEMBER COUNTRIES
6. STRENGTHENING OF EACH INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATION AND THE NON-GOVERNMENTAL SECTOR

Article 2

WAYS OF ACHIEVING THE GOALS:

1. Mutual public appearances, informing of the media, the making of promotional material, organization of mutual activities, commemoration of important dates etc. Illness prevention.
2. For the purpose of improving the quality of life of transplant patients various educational lectures and workshops will be organized, intended for the membership and/or for the broader public. They will be realized yearly and will be published in some kind of easily available form (such as the electronic form). Furthermore, activities aimed at improvement of psychophysical abilities, physical condition and diet will be organized.
3. Continuous analysis of legislative processes in individual countries, comparison, harmonization and preparation of proposals to legislative bodies and the authorities. Involvement in political and legislative courses which deal with problems of our interest.
4. Mutual assistance in lobbying and delegating into the executive bodies which decide about the standards, treatment perspectives and registers.



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5. In order to enhance experience interchange between patients we will create a website linked with supporting social networks that will be open to the public. Through this cooperation we will work on strengthening of our organizations through both knowledge interchange between the representatives and through educational workshops.
6. Through cooperation and interchange of experience and knowledge the signatories will give mutual support for strengthening the capacities of each association and bolstering of member organizations on all levels.

Article 3

For the purpose of achieving the goals the Action Team is formed comprising of one member from each memorandum signatory. The Action Team creates and suggests to the signatories a strategic, business and financial plan for further activities of The Network. The Action Team follows financial competitions of European and international funds. The Action Team is responsible for maintaining a continuous communication between the members at least once a month and at least by the means of web communication, and if necessary and according to financial abilities more frequently. The Action Team appoints and nominates the individuals in charge of website and social networks administration.

The Action Team is responsible for preparing admission materials for incoming members.

The Action Team is bound to publish the report of activities on The Network website at least two times yearly.

Article 4

The signatories are unanimous that The Network should be open for all associations, unions, organizations that share the goals stated in this memorandum. Current memorandum signatories agree that in relation to new interested parties they should act as The Network.



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The signatories are unanimous that every member organization should place its strategic and business plans at disposal of The Network for the purpose of harmonizing mutual plans for the future. The signatories of this memorandum will meet at least once a year.

Vitez, 30th May 2015

