



2nd International Workshop on European Registered Toxicologist (ERT)

'Education in Toxicology as the basis for ERT registration'

The EUROTOX Subcommittees for Registration and Education, in collaboration with the Dutch Society of Toxicology are organising a workshop aimed at bringing together the key providers of postgraduate courses in toxicology in Europe as well as those responsible for the registration of toxicologists at the national level.

Dates: 25 and 26 April 2013

Location: Utrecht University, Utrecht, The Netherlands

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General subject of the meeting:

"Toxicology training courses aimed at ERT registration: opportunities and challenges for the programmes in European countries".

Themes for discussion:

1. What programmes are available in the different parts of Europe? *Participants are encouraged to bring information on existing courses and course programmes (e.g. posters, flyers etc.) to the meeting.*
2. How can we efficiently cooperate and make use of each other's courses?
3. Are the courses (ready to be) approved by the national registers, and do we agree on "mutually acceptance of courses" (MAC)?
4. Taking into account the ERT guidelines¹, how do the different courses fit in the scheme?
5. How to treat core and non-core topics.
6. New tools for learning (e.g. e-learning).
7. How do the courses define their content and learning objectives, and do these objectives fulfil the requirement of being at least at the MSc level?
8. Are there gaps in the individual course programmes?

Preliminary programme:

Start of meeting 11:00 on day 1, end of meeting lunchtime on day 2.

Introductory addresses:

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| - Introduction to the ERT guidelines | Rolf Schulte-Hermann |
| - Brief synopsis of the registers for toxicology | Mümtaz Iscan |
| - Overview of existing courses in Europe | Martin Wilks |
| - A guide to learning objectives | Bas Blaauboer |

In a number of breakout groups the specific themes mentioned above will be discussed. The meeting will end with a plenary discussion on the different topics, and by formulating recommendations on what needs to be done to achieve harmonization of educational efforts and collaboration between countries.

¹ Please refer to http://www.eurotox.com/sub/eurotox.com/images/docs/guidelines_for_registration_2012.pdf