

## Webnews December 2011

Dear colleagues

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2011 another general assembly and workshop took place, this time in Brussels.

Main detail was that this was the first meeting for our new President Valeria Campanaro.

Robert Houman was thanked for his commitment in the years of his presidency; we are very pleased that he will remain active on the EBAss Board of Directors in the function of Vice-President.

We are delighted to announce that the grandfather clause has been extended for a further 1 year and so this route to certification will remain an option until 31st December 2012. So keep in mind, if you are a member of EBAss and can prove sufficient work experience, namely that they have worked in HBO facilities for at least 5 years, or have held a position of safety director (or equivalent) for at least a period of 3 years, will be eligible for grandfathering their qualifications to the new system.

Alternatively you can apply for certification if you can prove to have followed other relevant courses and examination. For details, please go to the EBAss website or contact Mr Atkey, P. at [accreditation@ebassexam.eu](mailto:accreditation@ebassexam.eu) .

We can also report the good news that EBAss certification has now been recognized by the ECB (European College of Baromedicine) and that henceforth they will provide certification to successful candidates. Members who already have EBAss certification are eligible to receive an ECB certificate. However for new applicants the cost of Grandfathering certification will be €60.

During the December workshop we started to look at the concept of "guidelines for disinfection of the facility." This will be progressed at the next workshop.

The EBAss/ECHM Resource Manual is now due for scheduled regular revision and this was discussed at the workshop, it was felt that the most significant change identified was a requirement for a separate module for operation of "mono-place chambers."

Re-election of National Representatives was conducted with the following results:

Judith Geels - Netherlands  
Angeliki Chandrinou - Greece  
Steve McKenna - UK  
Valeria Campanaro - Italy  
Andreas Kastinger - Germany

A reminder for those who would like to take a look at another chamber, for 2012 there are 2 vacancies for a personnel exchange. Your request should be addressed to [exchange@ebass.org](mailto:exchange@ebass.org).

The next EBAss workshop is scheduled for April 21, 2012 and will be held in Rome.

