

## **ESPE DOM School,**

**18 - 20 September 2022**

**Torgiano (Perugia), Italy**

ESPE DOM School has been taken place in Torgiano (PG), Italy on September 18-20, 2022. This school has given the opportunity to return to “face to face” school after COVID-19 pandemic period and the previous on-line school in 2021.

The entire faculty and the ESPE Council members were highly motivated to return to face to face DOM School. The ESPE Education and Training Committee were supportive in their effort.

The teaching faculty (Francesco Chiarelli, Cosimo Giannini, Jacques Beltrand, Maria Loredana Marcovecchio, Tadej Battelino, John Gregory, Angelika Mohn, Martin Wabitsch, Naama Fisch) organized their lecture and structured DOM school programme.

In preparation for the School, the students prepared their case presentation that were sent to their tutor to familiarise with faculty. Approximately eight hours of in-presence teaching was delivered daily for three consecutive days with lectures regarding several main topics and issues related to Diabetes, Obesity and Metabolism in children and adolescents. During the school, small group teaching sessions were undertaken using breakout rooms. Lectures from teachers were followed by case presentation from the students. During all the sessions the audience participation was continually encouraged by the faculty for asking question and to interact for more productive classes. In addition, all sessions were divided with programmed breaks with the aim for all participants to have the opportunity to familiarize and to discuss the topic of the lessons.

Thus, the DOM School once again offered a relevant opportunity of improving knowledge in the field of Diabetes, Obesity and Metabolism in children and adolescents for students coming from different countries. Particularly, 24 students from Azerbaijan, Turkey, Montenegro, Bulgaria, Pakistan Egypt, India, Greece and other European countries (including Italy, UK, etc.) were selected according to their CV. The evaluation forms filled in by the students were very positive, suggesting its feasibility and successful outcome. Therefore, all the positive feedback have clearly shown that the DOM School is really effective in creating a strong relationship between students and teachers and among physicians from all over the World with the aim of improving novel and up-dated knowledge on the field Diabetes, Obesity and Metabolism in children and adolescents.

The face-to-face meeting thus is certainly more appreciated than the on-line school, and we are really looking forward to organizing the next DOM school in 2023 (in the Netherlands) with a the aim of further improving the future DOM Schools with new insights reached during this experience.

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