# AS34-03 - HOW WE KNOW WHAT WE KNOW NOW ABOUT TRAINING IN EUROPE? CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR EUROPEAN TRAINEES

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## **Background, Aims and Objectives:**

- The European Federation of Psychiatric Trainees is an independent federation of psychiatric trainees associations. 37 Countries were represented at the annual Forum in 2011.
- A Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (CAP) Working Group meets at this annual forum to discuss issues of relevance to CAP trainees. At the 2009 meeting, the group reflected on difficulties in collecting data on training across Euro.

#### Methods:

- 1. Ten item survey was was circulated to trainee representatives to the European Federation of Psychiatric Trainees who attended the annual Forum in 2009.
- 2. Following this pilot study, a much larger study was conducted from 2010- 2011.

### **Results:**

- EFPT survey: In 2009-2010 pilot survey 27 countries responded.
- The EFPT CAP group expanded this in 2010- 2011. This survey collected data from 34 countries, 28 of whom provided full data-sets in the following domains:
  - Structure and organisation of training;
  - Training quality and content; and
  - Working conditions and recruitment.
  - Statistical analysis was performed on the data to achieve overall rankings of CAP training quality.

## **Conclusions:**

- This symposium will look at developing national and international surveys. Results from two completed EFPT CAP studies and ongoing work presented. These studies add significantly to extant literature- it is clear that training across Europe is extremely variable.
- This symposium will also highlight current opportunities for European Trainees. International collaborations and opportunities for trainees will be explored, and we will consider the role of trainees in international organisations