

**EAPC-East Newsletter**  
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**Dear Friends,**

This letter is written and sent from the north part of the globe meaning when winter comes it gets very dark and most of the time cold. It is then important to have uplifting things to keep you going till spring and this Newsletter has many positive and active inputs. Good and important work is being done in palliative care. Keep us posted and we will be happy to help spread the information.

**Moldova**

A national conference was held in Chisinau, Moldova, September 20-21, 2002 on “Introduction into Palliative care and Hospice Services”. The conference aimed among other things at looking at the situation of palliative care in Moldova as well as showing the principles of drug administration in the country. The conference succeeded in doing so and ended with the start of a national palliative care organisation.

Please find the report, by the initiator Dr Irina Baicalov, to down load from our web site.

**Romania**

1st meeting of the Commission of Palliative Care was held in Brasov, 12 September 2002. A summary can be down loaded from the EAPC-east web site.

**Russia**

Palliative care in Russia - The initiatives of National Cancer Research and Treatment Center, St.Petersburg, Russia is an article to be down loaded from the web site. It is a description of the two year OSI project to develop educational activities by Andrei Novik and Tatyana Ionova.

**St Petersburg**

EAPC-east applied and received money from the Swedish government to start a project on supporting the development of palliative care in the St Petersburg region. We have had contacts with several palliative care people in St Petersburg and decided to invite participants to a summit in Stockholm with active key parties in the St Petersburg region. It was a positive meeting for all attending and please feel free to down load the report on the 1<sup>st</sup> Stockholm summit on palliative care in St Petersburg - September 2002.

**International Symposium on Paediatric Pain – possibility to apply for grants**

The Big Questions in Paediatric Pain – What do we know? – What do we need to know? – How do we find out?

The symposium takes place in Sydney, Australia, June 15 - 19, 2003

Deadline for grant application: December 15, 2002.

You will find guidelines and forms for application on their web site under the registration button:

[www.dconferences.com.au/ISPP2003.html](http://www.dconferences.com.au/ISPP2003.html)

**Translation of the EAPC-east Newsletter**

We have received a question if it is possible to translate the Newsletter into another language to reach a wider audience within the respective country that has limited knowledge in English. The response is yes, please do. We would appreciate to be informed though.

We have also received a question to translate the EAPC-east web site and the Newsletter into Russian but I am afraid we have no funding for such an ongoing activity.

**Transport of 60 cubic metre goods for hospital needs - ended up in Kaunas, Lithuania**

Earlier this year we made a call on the EAPC-east web forum and offered material for hospital/hospice use. Not many answered but in Lithuania Dr Arvydas Seskevicius was very eager to get the beds and linen etc for his hospital in Kaunas. At Stockholms Sjukhem we are very happy that the transport went so smoothly and with the invaluable help of the Red Cross with no charge for the recipient or us. The short report from the donee you can down load from the web site.

Please remember we need input from you all to be able to report and spread information of importance to you all. Keep in touch!

Kind regards

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