



## FINAL AGENDA

### *2023 European Regional Meeting*

The University of Zurich, Faculty of Medicine ([UZH](#)) is organizing the **2023 AAHCI European Regional Meeting** to be held September 7 – 8 in Zurich, Switzerland for academic health center leaders in the region and worldwide.

Under the theme *Innovating Academic Health Systems in Times of Crisis and Change*, leadership from AAHCI member institutions and prospective AAHCI members will gather to share best practices and explore how to best position their institution to prepare for future challenges. Leaders from the region and across the globe will explore opportunities to enhance capabilities in research, innovation, clinical care, and health professions education.

AAHCI Regional Meetings provide an excellent opportunity for peer networking and exploration of opportunities for collaboration among academic health centers.

Session topics include:

- Innovating Health Education and Healthcare Delivery: Strategies and Best Practices
- Ethical Issues: Best Practices for Effective Strategies and Responses
- Communication: Building Trust and Crisis Response Strategies
- Resilience and Social Change: The Promise and Power of Academic Health Centers

Location and more:

#### **Meeting Venue location:**

Lecture Room 01, floor G, [Institute of Education](#), Kantonsschulstrasse 3, 8001 Zurich

#### **Logistics:**

For *registration*, *hotel information*, and the local *health and safety protocol*, please visit the [meeting page](#).





Thursday, September 7 <i>(All times listed are in Central European Time)</i>	
11:30 AM	Welcome Apéro <i>(Reception - All attendees)</i> , <a href="#">Restaurant Kantorei</a> , Neumarkt 2, 8001 Zurich
12:00 PM	Lunch <i>(All attendees)</i> , Restaurant Kantorei, Neumarkt 2, 8001 Zurich
1:30 PM	<p><b>Location:</b> Lecture Room 01, floor G, <a href="#">Institute of Education</a>, Kantonsschulstrasse 3, 8001 Zurich</p> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Steven L. Kanter</a>, MD, Executive Director, Alliance of Academic Health Centers International, AAHCI, Association of American Medical Colleges, AAMC (USA)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Frank Rühli</a>, MD, PhD, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Zurich, AAHCI European Regional Office Ambassador (Switzerland)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Luciano Saso</a>, PhD, Professor, Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine, Sapienza University of Rome, Academic Guest, University of Zurich, AAHCI European Regional Office Co-Ambassador (Italy)</li> </ul>
1:45 PM	<p><b>Keynote Presentation</b></p> <p><i>Implementing Innovations in the Current Health Care Landscape: Achievements and Challenges</i></p> <p><a href="#">Beatrice Beck Schimmer</a>, MD, Vice President Medicine, University of Zurich (Switzerland)</p>
2:15 PM	<p><b>Roundtable</b></p> <p><i>Emerging Issues and Challenges – How is your academic health center responding?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Rimantas Benetis</a>, MD, PhD, Rector of the Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Head of the Department of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery, and Honorary Professor of the Republic of Kazakhstan (Lithuania)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Wolfgang Brück</a>, Spokesman for the Board of Directors, Universitätsmedizin Göttingen, Head of Research and Teaching, Dean of the Medical Faculty, Universitätsmedizin Göttingen (Germany)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Margaret McDonald</a>, PhD, MFA, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic and Global Affairs, Health Sciences, Associate Professor of Epidemiology, Graduate School of Public Health, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, School of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh (USA)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Massimo Pignatelli</a>, MD, PhD, FRCPath, AAHCI Steering Committee Past Chair, Vice President for Medicine and Dean, School of Medicine, Nazarbayev University (Kazakhstan)</li> </ul> <p>Facilitator: <a href="#">Rümeysa Kazancıoğlu</a>, MD, Vice Chancellor, Bezmialem Vakıf University (Turkey)</p>
3:15 PM	Coffee Break



3:45 PM	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p><i>Innovating Health Education and Healthcare Delivery - Strategies and Best Practices</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Senthil Kumar Rajasekaran</a>, MD, MMHPE, Acting Dean, Khalifa University College of Medicine and Health Sciences (UAE)</li> <li>• <a href="#">James Shanahan</a>, Vice President and Group Publisher, Product Development and Publishing, McGraw Hill Professional (USA)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Richard Trembath</a>, Senior Vice-President Health and Life Sciences, King's College London; Executive Director, King's Health Partners (UK)</li> </ul> <p>Facilitator: <a href="#">Robert A. Barish</a>, MD, Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and Professor of Emergency Medicine, College of Medicine, University of Illinois Chicago; Board of Directors, Association of American Medical Colleges (USA)</p>
4:45 PM	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p><i>Crisis and Change: Insights from the University Hospital Zurich</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Gabriela Senti</a>, MD, Director Research and Education, University of Zurich (Switzerland)</li> </ul>
4:55 PM	<p>Day One Closing Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Frank Rühli</a>, MD, PhD, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Zurich, AAHCI European Regional Office Ambassador (Switzerland)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Luciano Saso</a>, PhD, Professor, Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine, Sapienza University of Rome, Academic Guest, University of Zurich, AAHCI European Regional Office Co-Ambassador (Italy)</li> </ul>
5:00 PM	Day 1 Ends
5:15PM	Reception: Swiss traditional chocolate event ( <i>All attendees</i> ), <a href="#">University of Zurich Main Building</a> , Rämistrasse 71, 8006 Zurich, floor K
7:30 PM	Dinner at <a href="#">Zunfthaus Zimmerleuten</a> , Limmatquai 40, 8001 Zurich ( <i>All attendees</i> )



Friday, September 8 *(All times listed are in Central European Time)*

**Location:** Lecture Room 01, floor G, [Institute of Education](#), Kantonsschulstrasse 3, 8001 Zurich

8:30 AM	<p>Keynote Presentation</p> <p><i>Collaborating to Grow a Resilient Academic Health Center During Social Change: Univer-Cities – an Asian perspective and Singapore strategic model</i></p> <p><a href="#">Anthony Teo Soon Chye</a>, Professor, Singapore University of Social Sciences (Singapore)</p>
9:15 AM	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p><i>Crisis Strategies and Best Practices for Academic Health Centers</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Olga Garaschuk</a>, PhD, Chair for Neurophysiology, Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen (Germany)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Rümeysa Kazancıoğlu</a>, MD, Vice Chancellor, Bezmialem Vakıf University (Turkey)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Alexander Pokanevych</a>, MD, President, Kyiv Medical University (Ukraine)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Frank Rühli</a>, MD, PhD, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Zurich, AAHCI European Regional Office Ambassador (Switzerland)</li> </ul> <p>Facilitator: <a href="#">Martin Paul</a>, MD, CEO and Rector, The Ruhr-University Bochum (Germany)</p>
10:30 AM	Coffee Break
11:00 AM	<p>Keynote Presentation</p> <p><i>Communication, Trust, and Bridging the Gap Between Medicine and the Science Disciplines: Implications for Education, Research, and Patient Care</i></p> <p><a href="#">Martin Paul</a>, MD, CEO and Rector, The Ruhr-University Bochum (Germany)</p>
12:00 PM	Lunch



1:00 PM	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p><i>Adapting and Adopting Innovative Models: Unique Health Systems in Europe</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Alessandro Bertani</a>, University Of Mediterranean Institute for Transplantation and Advanced Specialized Therapies (ISMETT) (Italy)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Rachna Chowla</a>, MD, MBA, Joint Director of Clinical Strategy, King's Health Partners, London (UK)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Angela Cooper</a>, PhD, Director for External Partnerships, Imperial College London (UK)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Wolfgang Sperl</a>, MD, Director of the Medical University Paracelsus, Salzburg (Austria)</li> </ul> <p>Facilitator: <a href="#">Luciano Saso</a>, PhD, Professor, Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine, Sapienza University of Rome, Academic Guest, University of Zurich, AAHCI European Regional Office Co-Ambassador (Italy)</p>
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2:15 PM	<p>Meeting Ends</p>