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The role of European section of IFOS (YO-IFOS) for young budding ENT surgeons

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ENT FEATURE

The role of YO-IFOS in enhancing collaboration between young physicians in Europe



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Young ENT surgeons realise the importance of international collaboration – we hear about a group that was formed just 18 months ago.

During the meeting of the International Federation of Otorhinolaryngological Societies (IFOS) in 2017 in Paris, a group for young otorhinolaryngologists, YO-IFOS, was created. The goal of the group is to bring together young ENT physicians, aged 30

will change every four years, following the schedule of IFOS meetings. This will ensure a constant renewal of committee members. Renewal is not needed. Members may decide to actively participate in working groups in the committees and they can drop out without constraints.

education and professional development, and promoting research in ORL-HNS [3]. This has been a source of inspiration for YO-IFOS, which aims to provide similar support for young physicians, taking into account the specific needs of our member community.

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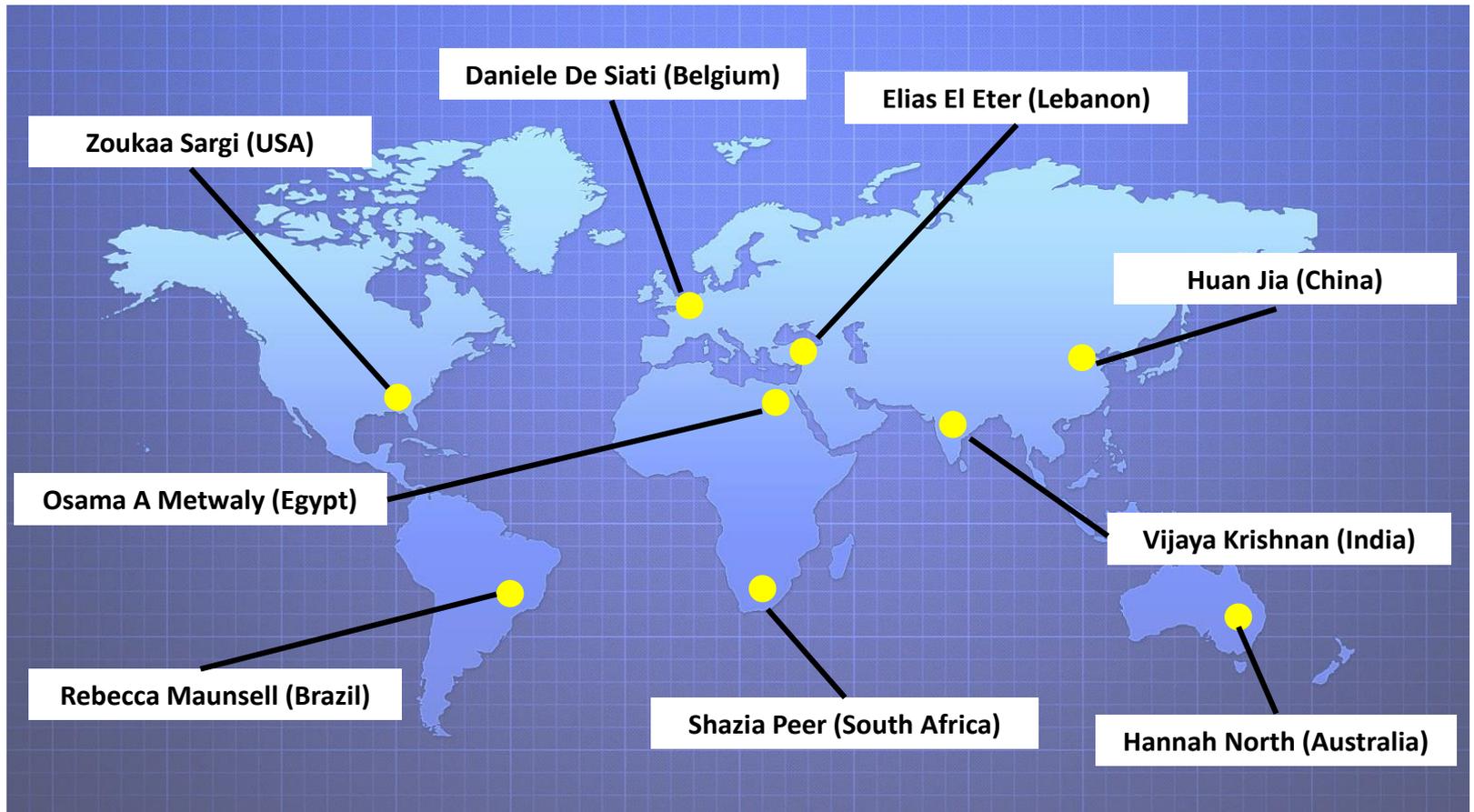


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A geographical overview

Europe

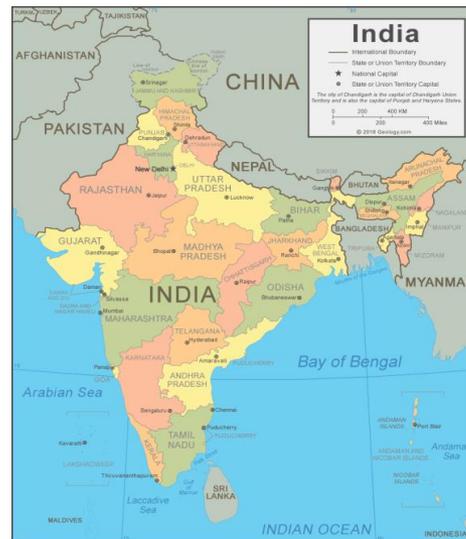
742mil inhabit
 (Russia and Turkey included)
 50 countries
 24 official languages

data from Council of Europe

Asia + Oceania

4.4bil + 40mil inhabit
 49 + 15 countries
 57 + (29) official languages

data from ESA.UN.org and wikipedia.com



The case of Europe

ENT specialisation regulated by Bologna declaration of 1999

Post-specialist degree non homogeneous :

- Audiology and Phoniatrics
- France : 1 year post-ENT (Diplome Universitaire)
- Italy : 5 years of specialisation (comparable to ENT)



1000 Km

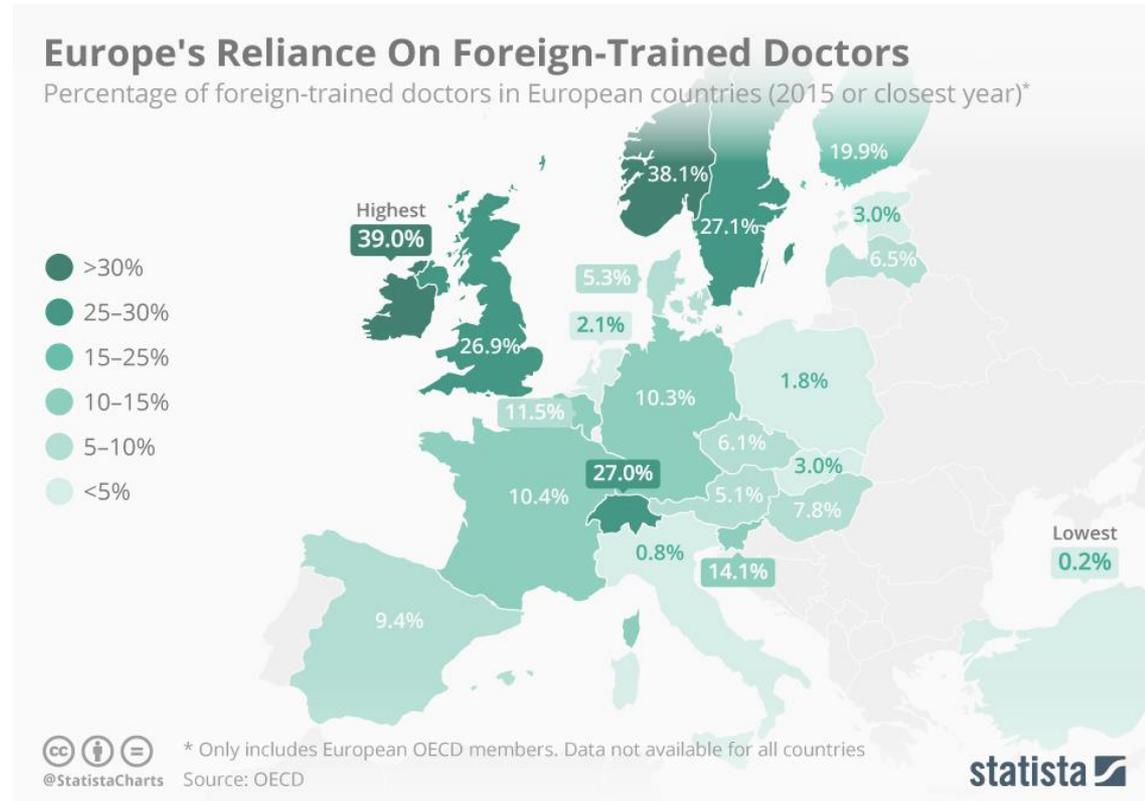
Socio-economic observations

- High heterogeneity
- Gradient south – north (except Switzerland)
- Highest : Ireland and UK
- Lowest : Italy and Turkey

- High variability between :
The Netherlands and Belgium
- Estonia and Latvia

- Scandinavia :
 - lower inhabitants density --> more capillarity needed in remote areas
 - wealthier countries
 - interest in other professions (professional risk of medical-surgical acts, work hours)

- Spain : low inhabitants density but lower Public health expenses.



The European perspective

Given the socio-economic heterogeneity of Europe, the education and professional environment of ENT physicians varies significantly among European countries;

In this context, the European Confederation of ORL-HNS (CEORL-HNS) of IFOS paved the way for

- ✓ improving the welfare of ENT physicians around Europe
- ✓ and enabling the unification of advancements in otorhinolaryngology.

Many of the principles of CEORL-HNS are shared by YO-IFOS,

- supporting continuous medical education
- supporting professional development
- promoting research in ORL-HNS.

The European perspective

The Confederation of European ORLHead and Neck Societies (CEORL-HNS) plays an important role for YO-IFOS :

- provide similar support for young physicians
- taking into account the specific needs of our member community.

Why CEORL-HNS is important for YO-IFOS

Scientific sessions and networking events of international congresses help young physicians in :

- ✓ sharpening skills
- ✓ the ability to interact with peers
- ✓ trying new equipment and techniques
- ✓ discussing internationallyrelevant ideas

→ contribute to the development of young ENT in all subspecialties

Why YO-IFOS is important for CEORL-HNS

A young vibrant community allows access to

- an international network of young and enthusiastic physicians
- new and challenging opinions about
 1. education
 2. evidence-based medicine
 3. the usage of new medical and communication techniques

The European perspective

Similar to CEORL-HNS,

YO-IFOS is a non-political group with the aim to

- ❖ bring together young physicians
- ❖ supports the creation of national groups of young ORL physicians (where this has been agreed with the national ORL-HNS society).

We are convinced that providing a local reference for young physicians can incentivise their participation in CEORL-HNS activities, and promote cooperation among European young specialists on topics of current interest.



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<https://ceorlhns2019.org/>

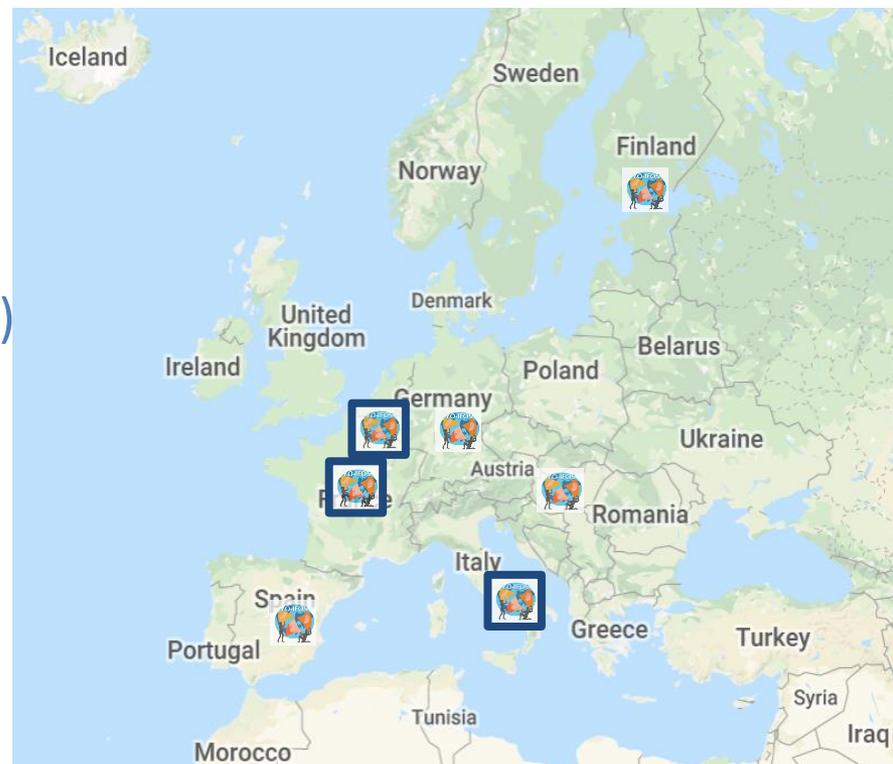
What YO-IFOS has achieved in Europe?

Promote the birth of national young groups.

- ✓ The Society of young Parisian ORL (SJORLP) became recently the French young ORL Society
- ✓ The Italian young ORL Society
- ✓ Belgium

Ongoing :

- young Spanish ORL (submitted)
- Turkish
- Germany
- Hungary
- Finland



What YO-IFOS has achieved in Europe?

YO-IFOS members have led round tables and keynote lectures during recent European conferences about

- collaborative works on medical topics
- Education of young physicians.
- local young ORL groups hosted us at their desk.



Conferences remain the best moment
to share own experiences with other members
create informal events to meet up (working lunch, stands visits)

Short-term goals of YO-IFOS in Europe

1. improve our presence in geographical "peripheral" countries of Europe.
The education level is increasing in those Countries, where exchange experiences are more requested by local residents.
2. follow to contribute to the creation of national young physicians groups
3. listing the international courses or collaborative events
3a. support them within IFOS for request of financial support
4. promote participation of young physicians to conferences and international events through grants
5. not least, organise gathering events during international conferences

Challenge of YO-IFOS for the future

improve communication within the group

- We had just one conference-call, but conversation was not easy and several timezones have been an issue.
- Social network app may work within European country, but the problem may be a fact for other non European country.
- In absence of other solutions (Facebook page, Whatsapp group)
- we work on a fully accessible website and mails remain the actual mean of communication.

The holy “three” (principles)

observe



learn



discuss





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спасибо (spuh-see-buh)		terima
nandri		kasih
kop khun		Arigatō
teşekkür ederim		paldies
whakawhetai koe		terima
merci		kasih
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