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## INTERBOR European Meeting in Ostende

By UFOP (France)

At a meeting with the German BIV Association and the Belgium Association BBOT during the Congress in Leipzig 2014, it was decided to benchmark the national price calculation. Everybody convicted that the European level is the only way to be successful in each countries.

Belgium was the host nation and Ostend was chosen as the location for the meeting. France, Spain, Slovakia and Belgium were present. Several other countries have apologized them like Switzerland and Czechia. Each country present explained its own calculation system. The German system is by far the best-developed and obviously the most developed to provide a share reference work.

Following appointments were made:

v Germany let their example document translate to English and possibly also to Spanish and French. We need to see the cost price for this translation.

v Different topics are approached: Orthotics, prosthetics, Bandages and mobility aids. The topic orthopedic shoes will later handle there is Germany itself is not yet finished with it.

v The translated document is forwarded to the Member States of INTERBOR by the end of 2014.

v A further meeting is planned in Frankfurt on 13 & 14 March 2015.

v An essential component for all countries is the time that we spend as professionals realizing, O & P benefits in kind.

v An international working group will be composed!

v On the basis of this meeting and the replies to the questionnaire and suggestions, one will try to reach a consensus.

v The goal is to share this project at the next Congress of ISPO International de Lyon in 2015 so that other countries join this shared approach.

Afterwards, will be a delegation from the target to the European Community INTERBOR working group and this project proposals as "state of the art" so that each project can use this as a reference at national level.

After these two very interesting days showed the various colleagues from the countries present, not only during the meeting but also in their free time and during dinner, the conversations continue.



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## Orto Medical Care, the fair of Orthopaedics

By FEDOP (Spain)

Orto Medical Care 2014, the most important event for the Orthopaedic collective, approaches. As every two years, arrives at IFEMA—Feria de Madrid the best scenario for the latest developments in the sector and to exchange ideas with other professionals group. It will be in Hall 12 from 20th to 21st of November.

Similarly, retraining is also a priority, and for that will be held on ORTO Congress, in collaboration with Campus FEDOP. The orthotic and prosthetic lower limb, mobility or application of new technologies are some of the areas to be addressed during the two training sessions that will take place in a room in the lodge itself, along with the exhibition.

Furthermore, due to the success of the previous edition, this year the Business Day will be repeated during the evening before the start of Orto Medical Care. It will be Wednesday November 19th and the main theme will be "Financing the orthoprosthesis provision. Systems for calculating amounts of funding in Spain and Europe". Admond Deschoolmeester and Philippe Fourny, from INTERBOR Board, will join the Conference.

And to finish, the speaker Emilio Duró will give a lecture on "Managing the illusion as an entrepreneur in the current situation".



**INTERBOR will join the Business Day during the ORTO Congress. Also, INTERBOR General Assembly will be held in Madrid during Orto Medical Care 2014.**



## FETOR Grant in Orto Medical Care

By FETOR (Spain)

The paper "Integrated Project: Espondilolisis" presented by Maria Carme Sabata Parés, student of Andalusia Ortoprotésico Training Centre (CEFOA), in Seville, was the winner of the seventh edition of the grant.

The jury was particularly impressed by the exposure and development of the practice of orthopedic technology applied in a real case and the scientific foundations accompanying explanation of the process.

Santi Maza, president of FETOR and Scholarship Jury, wishes to emphasize "the high quality of the papers presented. Deliberation to decide what should be the winner has been long since had several jobs that chose the prize. It is important to note the good training and knowledge of new generations of orthopedic professionals entering the labor market."

Maza thanked "the participation of all students and the involvement of schools in spreading the Scholarship and encourage their students to submit their work".

The ceremony will take place during the celebration of the fair Orto Medical Care 2014, which will be held on 20th and 21st November in Madrid.

