JOINING FORCES: Building networks — Working with other organisations

13th European Conference on Epilepsy & Society 28th to 30th August, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Building networks I overview

- Compare the Networking within the doctors and the Patient associations.
- Comparing the Networking on the different continents.
- Do we need an European Epilepsy Day?
- What's needed to create a "Global Epilepsy Day"?
- Compare Epilepsy and Aids (why is Aids so funded? Why is nobody ashamed to talk about it?).

Building networks II Doctors (ILAE) / Patients (IBE)

Item	Doctors	Patients
Language	English - University	Do all know English
Number of meetings	A lot – several national and regional, and 1 international	Some – most are national, 2 are regional and 0 international
Funding	Surplus of meetings	Do the meetings have a surplus?

Building networks III Networking on different continents

Item	Doctors	Patients
Europe / North America / Australia	Run by doctors	Run by patients (usually) – exceptions are e.g. Georgia
Other continents (Africa, Asia, Latin America)	Both – patient and doctors associations are (usually) run by doctors – exceptions are e.g. Japan, South Korea, Taiwan.	

Building networks IV Networking on different continents

- Joint conferences
 - Africa 1st joint ILAE-IBE congress (Nairobi, Kenya / 2012)
 - Asia 9th joint Asian and Oceanian congress
 (Manila, Philippines / 2012)
 - Latin America 7th joint Latin American epilepsy congress (Quito, Ecuador / 2012)
- Stand up for Epilepsy
- PAHO initiative

Building networks V European Epilepsy Day

- Is it necessary?
 - In my opinion YES
- National Epilepsy days / weeks
 - Additional awareness!
- European Advocacy Europe









- European Epilepsy day
 - Additional awareness!
 - Written Declaration passed by the European Parliament
 - This year activities in Albania, Bulgaria, Finland, Ireland, Netherlands, Slovenia, Norway, Serbia and European Parliament
 - http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=jHKyLl 7K Ps
- European Forum on Epilepsy Research (25th 27th May 2013, Dublin, Ireland)
 - http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=e7tzR KwWNgc

Building networks VI Global Epilepsy Day

- Is it necessary?
 - In my opinion YES
- When?
 - Different Epilepsy Days throughout the world
- Can the WHO be helpful?
 - Global Campaign
 - Atlas: Epilepsy Care in the World 2005
 - WHO Regional Committee Europe

Building networks VII Global Epilepsy Day – number of hospital beds for epilepsy care

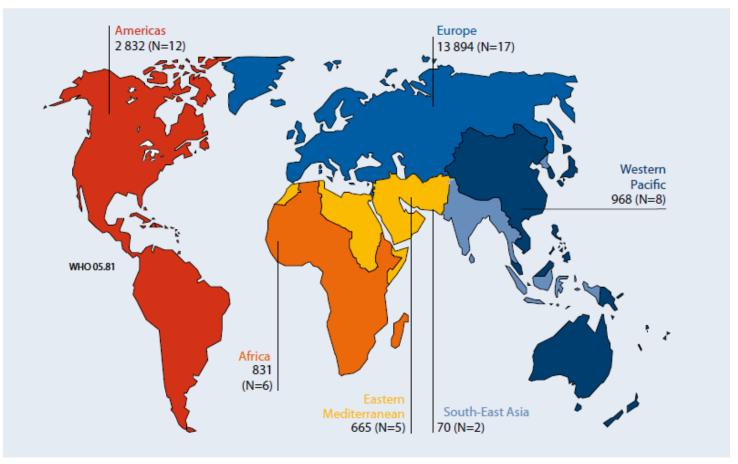


Figure 10: Number of beds for epilepsy care in WHO regions (Atlas: Epilepsy Care in the World 2005)

Building networks VIII Comparing Aids / Epilepsy

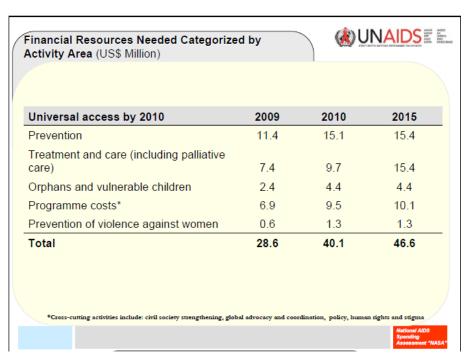
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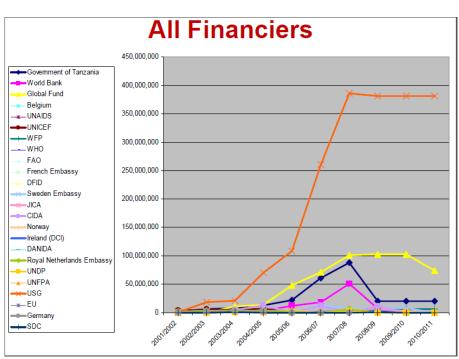
- Prevalence: 33.3 Mio. (2009)
- Global estimation of costs existing: YES
- Government pays
 partly for the costs –
 even in low and middle
 income countries: YES
- Financial donors: YES
- Everyone talks about it!
- Life Ball (Vienna)

Epilepsy

- Prevalence: 50 Mio. (2005)
- Global estimation of costs existing: NO
- Government pays
 partly for the costs –
 even in low and middle
 income countries: YES
- Financial donors: Not known!
- No one talks about it!
- Where is it?

Building networks IX Comparing Aids / Epilepsy





Aids

Financial Resources needed

Financiers Tanzania

Building networks X Comparing Aids / Epilepsy



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- Achievements (Europe):
 - Written Declaration on Epilepsy
 - European Epilepsy Day
 - European Forum on Epilepsy Research
- Achievements (Global):
 - Regional Conferences
 - PAHO initiative

Building networks XII Conclusion II

- What needs to be done:
 - Global Epilepsy Day
 - Joint PAHO / Written Declaration initiative for the rest of the World
 - Global Cost accounting for Epilepsy
 - Life Ball for Epilepsy?
 - How do we get private donors?

Thank you!

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