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Welcome Back Brazil

LMHI President fosters relations with Brazilian Homeopathic Medical Associations



Dr. Jose Matuk Kanan, Mexico

LMHI President Dr. Jose Matuk Kanan personally traveled to Brazil in July to promote medical homeopathy in Brazil and to renew and foster the relations between the homeopathic world organization Liga Medicorum Homoeopathica Internationalis and the Brazilian homeopathic medical associations. In meetings with Brazilian homeopathic medical associations Matuk underlined the global objectives and principles of the LMHI and put emphasis on the importance of supporting these goals by actively joining the LMHI. "One of the main objectives of the LMHI is to meet its principle of being a world-wide union with the countries of the world", Matuk stated. Calling Brazil "a real power in homeopathy", he praised the ongoing developments in the areas of teaching, research, dentistry and pharmacy, as well as the impressive number of medical homeoDear LMHI Members, dear Readers,

The first seven months of 2012 have been very active and energetic ones. After the enormous pleasure of welcoming India back into the Liga at the recent World Homeopathic Congress in New Delhi, the Executive Officers of the LMHI have put even more effort into increasing and fostering the Liga's outreach around the world. The International Homeopathy Day was celebrated for the third time in a member country in need of support. This time it was held in in Ankara and Izmir, Turkey. It took place in the presence of LMHI President Dr. Jose Matuk who came all the way from Mexico, and Prime Vice-President Dr. Renzo Galassi from Italy who completed his visit by giving a seminar to interested students. LMHI Past President Dr. Ulrich D. Fischer, Germany, experienced the importance of global interconnectedness when attending the national congress of the new LMHI member association in South Africa. In addition to English and Spanish, The Liga Letter, the LMHI's traditional annual members' publication, has been translated into Russian for the first time. And just a few weeks ago, the LMHI President personally travelled to Rio de Janeiro and successfully renewed the relations with homeopathic associations in Brazil.

This progress and positive development "has many parents." It is built upon the strong commitment and tireless efforts of many to reach the LMHI's most important goal, that of developing and securing homeopathy worldwide. Let us continue our work!

Kind regards, Caroline Geiser LMHI Media Team paths, including dentists, pharmacists and veterinarians in Brazil. In recent years, the situation of homeopathy in Brazil has been undergoing an expansion process and homeopathy has become a part of the Brazilian Public Health System, thus providing significant sustainable support to the PNPIC, the National Policy for the Integrative and Complementary Practices within the Brazilian Unique Health System SUS. "Such results were achieved through significant contributions given by all colleagues working for the public health system in our country", stated the LMHI's Contact Person for Brazil in his Country Report 2011.



Participants of the Rio Meeting



The meeting with leading representatives of homeopathy in Brazil was held in Rio de Janeiro on 20 July 2012. It was initiated and organized by the former LMHI Secretary for Dentistry Dr Gloria Feighelstein, who has supported and coordinated the process of spreading medical homeopathy in Brazil for many years. Dr. Francisco Vargas de Oliveira Villela, President of the Brazilian Medical Association (AMHERJ) of Rio de Janeiro, presented the status of homeopathy in Brazil. Also present were high-level representatives from medical universities and teaching institutions, homeopathic hospitals, research, pharmaceutical, dentistry and verterinarian associations, including Dr. Amarilys Toledo Cesar, Director of the Homeopathic Pharmacy Association (ABSH) in Brazil and former LMHI Secretary for Pharmacy. In addition to the common wish for an overall increase in communication, the LMHI President and the participants discussed the concrete possibilities and mutual requirements of the future cooperation between the LMHI and the various Brazilian homeopathy federations and institutions.

The 70th LMHI Congress 2015 will be held in Brazil

As one of the main results of the presidential visit, the LMHI awarded to the Brazilian Medical Homeopathy Association (Associação Médica Homeopática Brasileira, AMHB) the opportunity to host the 70th LMHI Congress to Rio de Janeiro. The congress will also include pharmacy, dentistry and veterinary sessions and will be supported by the Brazilian medical universities and non-government organizations (NGO).

International Homeopathy Day 2012

LMHI supports Medical Homeopathy in Turkey



The Turkish Classical Homeopathy Association (ACHA), the Liga Medicorum Homoeopathica Internationalis (LMHI) and the European Committee for Homeopathy (ECH) jointly celebrated the International Homeopathy Day 2012 in Turkey from 26-29 April 2012 to promote the public's and the medical community's awareness of homeopathy in Turkey. The meetings with the Turkish government in Ankara and the International Symposium on Homeopathy, held in Izmir, brought together important international and Turkish stakeholders to exchange information about the homeopathic medical doctrine, the current legal framework of medical doctors practicing homeopathy in all continents, its contribution to European and worldwide healthcare systems, as well as the current status of



IHD meeting with Turkish Health Ministry

homeopathy in Turkey and the possibilities for its further development and its integration into the Turkish healthcare system. LMHI President Dr. Jose Matuk praised the IHD in Turkey as a "true example of organization, commitment and dedication by the Turkish Classical Homeopathy Association that is an institutional member of the LMHI".

On 26 April 2012, the Executive Committees of ACHA, LMHI and ECH, including ACHA President Dr. Levent Buda, Vice-Precident Dr. Altunay Agaoglu, Dr. Gamze Arpaci, (General Secretary), Pharm. Leon Aruh (Treasurer) as well as Dr. Jose Matuk Kanan (LMHI President), Dr. Renzo Galassi (LMHI Vice-President) and Dr. Ton Nicolai (ECH President) participated in a scheduled interview with representatives of the Turkish Ministry of Health in Ankara to discuss the new regulations on Alternative and Complementary Medicine in Turkey. The meeting took place in the presence of the Head of Complementary Medicine Department under General Directorate of Primary Health Care, Dr. Zafer Kalayci. He announced that homeopathy is one of the CAM disciplines that will only be allowed to be practised by medical doctors in Turkey. He stated that the regulatory framework for homeopathy was in the process of being drawn. They plan to prepare a specific regulation for homeopathy. Dr. Levant Buda declared that the association would be pleased to provide assistance. The group also met with the representatives from the Pharmaceuticals and from the Medical Devices Agency of the Turkish Health Ministry to talk about the importation of homeopathic remedies into the country and their licencing status within the regulations.



Galassi Seminar in Izmir

Following the celebration of the International Hahnemann Day, the Turkish Classical Homeopathy Association (TCHA) organized a seminar given by LMHI Prime Vice-President Dr. Renzo Galassi about the "Homeopathic Approach to Chronic Diseases".

Selling and Marketing of Homeopathic Remedies Now Possible in Turkey

As a result of the resounding success of the joint meetings with the Turkish Health Ministry, the regulation regarding the selling and marketing of homeopathic remedies in pharmacies was passed by the Turkish Parliament on 17 May 2012. "The meetings we had together with LMHI President Dr. Jose Matuk, Prime Vice-President Dr. Renzo Galassi and ECH President Dr. Ton Nicolai in Ankara played a great role in this outcome!" emphasized Dr. Altunay Agaoglu, the LMHI's National Vice-President for Turkey. "The next step is the legislation of homeopathic treatment and education."



IHD reports and a picture gallery of the event are available on the LMHI website at www.Imhi.net, "In Focus":

"International Homeopathy Day 2012 Celebration" – Report by Dr. Altunay Agaoglu

"Homeopathy can only be prescribed by doctors in Turkey" – IHD Report by Dr. Jose Matuk

Seminar "Homeopathic Approach to Chronic Diseases" led by Dr. Renzo Galassi – Report by Dr. Levent Buda

Developing and Securing Homeopathy Worldwide

The International Homeopathy Day took place for the third time. In 2010, it was held in Slovenia and, in 2011, it was held in Croatia. The personal presence and support of LMHI and ECH representatives for younger associations in countries where homeopathy is not yet institutionalized has, once again, proven a powerful and an important tool. Representatives from the LMHI and the ECH have consistently observed that the respect from the government towards these associations increases "wherever we show up". In the words of LMHI Past President Dr. Ulrich D. Fischer: "In these projects the LMHI fulfils really its purpose of developing and securing homeopathy worldwide – as described in its statutes".

LMHI Executive Officers meet in Madrid, Spain

Prior to the IHD celebration in Turkey, the LMHI Executive Officers met in Madrid, Spain, 22-23 April, to discuss recent developments and to prepare for the administrative meetings at the LMHI Congress 2012 in Nara, Japan.



Dr. Ulrich D. Fischer (Immediate Past President), Dr. Jose Matuk (President), Dr. Renzo Galassi (Prime Vice President), Dr. Thomas Peinbauer (General Secretary), Dr. Yves Faingnaert (Treasurer)



South Africa as a new member country of the LMHI

LMHI Past President Fischer attends HSA National Homeopathy Congress



HSA National Secretary Neil Gower, HSA President Danny Pillay and LMHI Past President Ulrich D. Fischer

Dr. Ulrich D. Fischer, Past President of the LMHI, was invited to attend the Congress of the Homeopathic Association of South Africa (HSA) in late April. South Africa was accepted as a new LMHI member country at the December 2011 International Council meeting in New Delhi, India. International speakers from India, England and Australia and local speakers presented lectures related to the Congress title "Homeopathy, Medicine for the 21st Century". In his presentation "Timeless quality – Homeopathy", Dr. Fischer emphasized the enduring qualities and the global character of Homeopathy and introduced the structure and purposes of the LMHI to its new members in South Africa.

HSA representatives especially highlighted their pleasure about the fact that the members of the South African association have become members of the LMHI. This forms part of the HSA's vision of collaborating with colleagues across the globe from a professional and academic perspective. In his opening speech Dr. Fischer also underlined this special moment which he called "walking together on a new bridge just built between South Africa and the LMHI". On behalf of the Executive Committee of the LMHI, the largest organization for homeopathic doctors in the world, Fischer expressed a heartfelt welcome to every single member of the HSA. He emphasized that the LMHI is looking forward to sharing its experiences and working areas with the HSA in the field of research, clinical practice, homeopathic politics



Dr. Ulrich D. Fischer, LMHI Past President

and the education of homeopathic doctors. Mutual learning, sharing experiences and working groups, helping each other where needed, cultivating friendships on the international level, always means mutual enrichment and provides the member countries with security and stability wherever needed in regard to all aspects of homeopathy.

Dr. Fischer also stressed the importance for the in-

ternational homeopathic medical league to have - with the HSA – a strong partner in South Africa, being also the moving power for the promotion of our world association with the colleagues of South Africa's neighbour countries. Prior to the Congress, the LMHI Past President was invited as guest lecturer to the University of Johannesburg (UJ). In front of the advanced students of the 5 year fulltime masters degree (M.Tech Hom) he lectured about the Organon of the Healing Art of Samuel Hahnemann. The homeopathic training is completely integrated in the Health Science Department of the UJ. The practical training takes place in the outpatients department on the grounds of UJ where students see patients and practice case taking under the supervision of experienced homeopathic practitioners. At present, there are two tertiary institutions in South Africa that offer an M. Tech Hom qualification in homoeopathy: the University of Johannesburg (UJ) and Durban University of Technology (DUT).

Legislative Framework of Homeopathy in South Africa

Homeopathic practitioners have been required to hold statutory registration since 1974. Currently, registration with the Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa (AHPCSA) permits practitioners to diagnose and treat any condition as well as supply (including dispensing and compounding) applicable medicines to patients as required (as per section 1 (2) of the Allied Health Professions Act (Act 63 of 1982).

Homeopathic practitioners also need a license to dispense and compound medicines. As such, all practitioners must complete a course accredited and approved by the Pharmacy Council of South Africa (Dispensing and Compounding course) and apply for such license with the Department of Health (DoH). They enjoy a broad scope of practice and are included under primary health legislation such at the National Health Act (Act 61 of 2003). Registered homeopaths are currently not included in the public health initiatives of the country and are restricted to private healthcare services.

The HSA is a voluntary association recognized by the Allied Health Professions Council as the official representative of the Homeopathic Profession in South Africa. The association actively engages the Government, the Department of Health, the Allied Health Professions Council and all other organisations and structures that influence our profession in constant communication with other health related bodies and institutions. The HSA represents and promotes the homeopathic practitioner, the profession and its interests including related education matters, for the better health and well-being of all South Africans.

Read the entire report by Dr. Fischer about the education registration requirements at www.Imhi.net, "In Focus".



Dentistry

Homeopathy applied to Modern Dentistry – What is it about?

by Geraldo A Brown Ribeiro, LMHI Secretary for Dentistry



Although very closely bound to the history of homeopathy since its codification by Dr. Samuel Hahnemann, "Homeopathy applied to Dentistry" may be considered something new within the science and practice of homeopathy in the world. Oral symptoms have always been taken into consideration by Hahnemann and his main followers, and they are remarkably present in most of the important medical and homeopathic repertories. Nevertheless, the application of homeopathy in the promotion of oral health and daily dentistry routine is a new fact in the modern scientific scenery. The number and the quality of scientific papers in this field has been increasing progressively. The teaching of homeopathy to surgical dentists has been systemized in many places. Currently, there are countries, such as Brazil, in which homeopathy has been recognized by institutions as belonging within dental practice with its practice and teaching adjusted and ruled. Professional associations in the field have been created and congresses are regularly held.

In spite of this reality however, the great majority of the population, as well as many dental corporations, have not yet become aware of how homeopathic practice and philosophy fit into contemporary science of dentistry and how the oral health of the population can benefit by its inclusion. Many times dentists, as well as patients, are surprised by the possibilities for the use of homeopathy in oral health on both an individual and a collective level.

Here, through our experience in the field for over 20 years, and with a basis in scientific studies, we are going to provide an idea of these possibilities with the aim of enlightening our colleagues and the general public about what homeopathy can offer to oral health and contemporary dentistry.

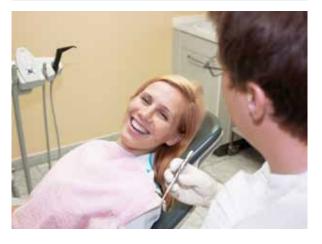
Through a classical homeopathic approach, evaluating the totality of individual symptoms, the patient has his oral symptoms analyzed as manifestation of his basic chronic

illness, which deserves and needs to be treated. The way in which the individual develops his oral symptoms, with his own peculiarities and characteristics, are analyzed with his general, mental and behavioral symptoms, his morphology, his history of pathologic manifestations, his heredity and his interaction with the environment. When there is consideration of all of the information followed by an analysis, the homeopathic dentist is given the means to identify the patient's greatest illness, that is, the way in which the patients responds to intrinsic and extrinsic stimulus to which he is exposed while in his human condition. Considering that oral symptoms are an integral part and of great importance in this global symptomatic scenery, the homeopathic dentist, as a professional with the capability of solving oral cavity pathologies, and those of adjacent structures, has with the use of homeopathy, a value tool for an efficient and permanent treatment for several oral and acute pathologies, as well as their prevention.

Conclusion

In conclusion, homeopathy is indeed a therapeutic method that can be very useful in the field of contemporary dentistry and oral health. At the same time, it is very important to understand that, besides all those benefits and applications, the most important difference of homeopathy applied to dentistry is that it approaches the patient in a fundamentally human and respectful way, focusing on the individual as a unique being who needs to be studied and validated. This approach promotes a significant qualitative change in the relationship between the patient and the professional dentist by bringing to oral health a much more human and profound view.

The complete article and an interview with the LMHI Secretary for Dentistry are available at www.lmhi.net, "In Focus".





LMHI Research

LMHI Guidelines on the Clinical Verification of Symptoms

The Research Working Group of the LMHI has finished the first draft of the 2nd edition of the "LMHI Guidelines on Clinical Verification of Symptoms". The amended version is the result of the work of the group over recent months. It was sent via e-mail to all National Vice-Presidents and Contact Persons in the LMHI member countries and will be discussed and taken up for a vote at the upcoming LMHI Governance Meetings that take place prior to the LMHI Congress 2012 in Nara, Japan.

IC Members can download the draft "LMHI Guidelines on Clinical Verification of Symptoms" in the login-protected member section at www.lmhi.net, "International Council".

Evidence Based Homeopathy 2012 – After the 66th LMHI Congress in New Delhi, India



This booklet is a joint production of the Liga Medicorum Homoeopathica Internationalis (LMHI) and the European Committee for Homeopathy (ECH) and analyzes all important aspects of the scientific framework of homeopathic practice, including ethical questions, the application and evidence in daily practice and the level of scientific evidence of each of these aspects.

The revised version of the *Scientific Framework Homeopathy* is available at www.lmhi.net, "Programs and Projects"

Recent research articles

"Method for appraising model validity of randomised controlled trials of homeopathic treatment: multi-rater concordance study"

Robert T Mathie, Helmut Roniger, Michel Van Wassenhoven, Joyce Frye, Jennifer Jacobs, Menachem Oberbaum, Marie-France Bordet, Chaturbhuja Nayak, Gilles Chaufferin, John A Ives, Flávio Dantas and Peter Fisher

A method for assessing the model validity of randomised controlled trials of homeopathy is needed. To date, only conventional standards for assessing intrinsic bias (internal validity) of trials have been invoked, with little recognition of the special characteristics of homeopathy. The work was initiated by Dr Robert T. Mathie at a meeting

of the International Scientific Committee for Homeopathic

Investigations (ISCHI) in October 2010. The group succeeded in developing a set of six judgmental domains, with associated descriptive criteria, to enable the assessment of model validity of homeopathic treatment in the context of RCTs. "Together with Cochrane-style assessment of internal validity, the domains and criteria for appraising model validity can enable a complete critical appraisal of appropriate RCTs in homeopathy," said Dr Mathie. "With suitable amendment," he continued, "the approach is also relevant for assessing model validity in RCTs of complex interventions more generally, including other CAM disciplines."

The paper has been received enthusiastically by reviewers, with one calling it "an article of outstanding merit and interest in its field", while it was also recognized for addressing "a major methodological issue in the design and assessment of homeopathic clinical trials".

The article is published on the website of the BMC Medical Research Methodology at www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2288/12/49.

This online peer-reviewed scientific journal considers articles on methodological approaches to healthcare research. The open-access nature of the journal makes the full text of the paper available to all users of the internet.

"Plausibility and evidence: the case of homeopathy"

Lex Rutten, Robert T. Mathie, Peter Fisher, Maria Goossens, Michel van Wassenhoven.

Homeopathy is controversial and hotly debated. The conclusions of systematic reviews of randomised controlled trials of homeopathy vary from 'comparable to conventional medicine' to 'no evidence of effects beyond placebo'. It is claimed that homeopathy conflicts with scientific laws and that homeopaths reject the naturalistic outlook, but no evidence has been cited. The authors of this study are homeopathic physicians and researchers who do not reject the scientific outlook but are convinced that the examination of prior beliefs underlying this enduring impasse can advance the debate. They show that interpretations of the same set of evidence - for both homeopathy and conventional medicine - can diverge. Previous disbelief in homeopathy is rooted in the perceived implausibility of any conceivable mechanism of action. Using the 'crossword analogy', it is demonstrated that plausibility bias impedes assessment of the clinical evidence and that widespread statements about the scientific impossibility of homeopathy are themselves unscientific because they lack precision and testability. There is growing evidence that homeopathic preparations can exert biological effects; due consideration of such research would reduce the influence of prior beliefs on the assessment of systematic review evidence.

The article is published in Medicine, Health Care and Philosophy (2012), http://rd.springer.com/ article/10.1007/s11019-012-9413-9



40th anniversary of the tragic air crash on 18 June 1972 in the UK

Remembrance service for the victims of the Staines Air Disaster

By John Burry, Communications Officer, British Homeopathic Association and Faculty of Homeopathy

On the afternoon of 18 June 2012, a congregation of almost 100 family members as well as friends and colleagues past and present from the homeopathic community attended a service of remembrance at St George the Martyr Church, London to mark the 40th anniversary of the tragic air crash in Staines (UK) when so many British homeopaths were killed on the way to the LIGA Conference in Brussels.

On 18 June 1972, BEA flight 548 from Heathrow to Brussels crashed soon after take-off at Staines in Middlesex, killing all 118 passengers and crew on board. The disaster was particularly devastating for homeopathy in this country, as on board were many doctors from the Royal London Homeopathic Hospital and other leading figures from the homeopathic community. Reverend Dr Jeremy Swayne, former dean of the British Faculty of Homeopathy, conducted the interdenominational service which included addresses from Faculty President, Dr Sara Eames, Dr Peter Fisher, Clinical Director of the Royal London Hospital of Integrated Medicine and Professor Lord Winston. Eames, who is also the LMHI Secretary for Public Relations, imparted the LMHI's expressions of condolence and memory of the event which impacted the world wide homeopathic community. The poignancy of the occasion was captured in the musical interludes featuring compositions by Borodin, Schumann and Leonard Bernstein.

The passage of time may have assuaged the hurt inflicted on the homeopathic community on that tragic June-day 40 years ago. But for the people in the congregation who were closely related to those who lost their lives or who lost friends – the deep sense of loss is still felt today.



67th LMHI Congress, Nara/Japan, 14–17 September 2012

Registration deadline is 31 August 2012



The 67th Congress of the LMHI will be held from 14-17 September 2012 in Japan's ancient capital Nara. It is organized by the Japanese Physicians Society for Homeopathy that was founded in January 2000. "Over the past ten years since then, the 67th LMHI congress is the first bridgehead along the path to reaching our goal of spreading homeopathic medicine within healthcare in Japan", says Ryoichi Obitsu, M.D., Ph.D., President, Japanese Physicians Society for Homeopathy, and "We must make this congress a success at any cost, and so we humbly request your guidance and cooperation. The theme of the Congress is "Harmony. Please note that 31 August 2012 is the deadline for the regular registration.

Congress Topics are the following:

Clinical Cases • Approaches to Patients with Cancer • Approaches to the Patients with Psychiatric Disorder • Homeopathy in Integrative Medicine • Approaches to Veterinary Cases • Approaches to the Patients with Dental Issues • Homeopathic Practice by Pharmacists

Overseas Invited Speakers (in alphabetical order)

Dr. Shelley R. Epstein, Wilmington Animal Hospital, USA • Dr. Peter Fisher, Royal London Hospital for Integrated Medicine, UK • Dr. Peter Gregory, College of Animal Homeopathic Medicine, UK • Dr. Steven Kayne, University of Strathclyde, UK • Dr. Bob Leckridge, Glasgow Homoeopathic Hospital, UK • Dr. Ashley H. A. Ross, Durban University of technology, South Africa • Dr. Frederik Schroyen, Editor, Synthesis, Belgium • Dr. Wolfgang Springer, Homoeopathische Praxisgemeinschaft, Germany • Dr. Michel Van Wassenhoven, Belgium

Japanese Invited Speakers (in alphabetical order)

Dr. Kazuhiko Atsumi, Japanese Society for Integrative Medicine • Dr. Mikihiko Fukunaga, Kansai Medical University • Dr. Kenji Kitanishi, International Committee for Morita Therapy

Detailed information and the congress program is available on the congress website at www. jpsh.jp/lmhi2012. Contact: lmhi2012@issjp.com



LMHI Governance Meetings 2012 Important topics on the agenda

Prior to the official conference opening, the LMHI's governing bodies, the Executive Committee (EC) and the International Council (IC), will hold their annual governance meetings on September 12-13 to share impressions, ideas and proposals about the policy and the future of the LIGA. The LMHI Executive Committee invites all National Vice-President and National Contact Persons of its more than 70 member countries to the upcoming International Council Meeting. The all-day meetings will take place at the Nara Prefectural New Public Hall 101 Kasugano-machi Nara, 630-8212 Nara, Japan.

Among the most important topics on the EC and IC agenda are as follows:

• LMHI Congresses 2013 - 2016: State of Affairs and New Applications • International Homeopathy Day 2012 in Ankara & Izmir / Turkey and IHD Application for 2013 • LMHI Seat: State of Affairs • International Homeopathic Foundation: State of Affairs • Public Relations: *The Liga Letter*, Liga News, Liga Website, Liga on Facebook, PR Working Group • HERMES (LMHI Website) • LMHI Guidelines for Proving and Clinical Verification • LMHI Guidelines / Procedure for the Liga Book Project • LMHI Guidelines / Procedure for Members of Hon-

our / President of Honour • LMHI Guidelines for Congress Organization Concerning Special Sessions for Dentistry, Pharmacy and Veterinary Medicine • LMHI Guidelines for Advertisement in Publications • National Topics of Special Interest: Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, China, Germany, India, Latvia, Liberia, Netherlands, Serbia, South Africa, Thailand, Ukraine • New Membership Applications • LMHI Membership: Status for Pharmacists • European Standard for Services of Medical Doctors with Additional Qualification in Homeopathy • LMHI Working Committees: State of Affairs

LMHI Country Reports

As stipulated in the LMHI *Statutes*, the National Vice-Presidents and Contact Persons of the LMHI member countries are requested to submit an up-to-date report (in English language) about the activities of their national organization, the homeopathic developments in their country, as well as a survey of homeopathic publications or communications, a listing of business addresses and telephone numbers of homeopathic institutions, physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists.

The complete reports will be published on the LMHI website in the member section "International Council". The short versions (limited to 130 words in English) will be published in the next issue of *The Liga Letter*.



68th LMHI Congress, Quito/Ecuador, 2–7 June 2013

The Paradigm of Homeopathic Medicine

The 68th Congress of the LMHI is organized by the Sociedad Médica Homeopática Ecuadoriana (SOMHE) and will take place in Quito, Ecuador, from 2-7 June 2013. Under the title "The Paradigm of Homeopathic Medicine" the conference will deal with different aspects of Quantum physics in Homeopathic Medicine, Homeopathy and Modern Philosophy, Standards and legality in Homeopathic Medicine.

The Congress Website is open, as follows: www.lmhi2013.com, Contact: info@lmhi2013.com

LMHI Publications

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In addition to English and Spanish, the LMHI's traditional annual publication *The Liga Letter* is now also available in Russian. The translation of the current issue, Vol. 17 / Review 2011 was done by Dr. Dergachova Zoya from the Association of Homeopaths of Ukraine.

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Sandra M. Chase, LMHI Secretary for the Newsletter, as one of seven pledges she made in the International Council Meeting in Delhi, India, in March 1995 when she became the first woman President of the LMHI. Since October 1995, she has continuously published *The Liga Letter* every year. It offers an impressive review of the past LMHI Congress and gives an insight into important LMHI developments and governance decisions.

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