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Cologne Consensus Conference to become live meeting of the International Academy for CPD Accreditation

On Sept. 13-14, 2018, the Cologne Consensus Conference 2018 was held in Ottawa, Canada, hosted by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

This year's theme "**What do our data tells us about value, providers, activities and learners in accredited CPD**" attracted about 60 participants representing accreditation bodies, regulators, providers, and other stakeholders interested in evidence based CME-CPD accreditation.

The conference had been divided in four subsections devoted to data dealing with

- the current state, and value of accreditation
- CME delivered in live meetings, or
- in journals, and
- as online education.

CCC 2018 offered superb insight into what we know about quality, use, and effect of accredited CME-CPD. Presentations are going to be posted on the ECSF website soon.

Prior to the CCC 2018 the International Academy for CPD Accreditation (www.academy4cpd-accreditation.org) has held its live meeting and decided to make CCC the yearly live meeting of the International Academy.

The International Academy *"is a network of colleagues, dedicated to promoting and enhancing continuing professional development (CPD) accreditation systems throughout the world. It is also devoted to assisting and supporting the development, implementation*



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and evolution of CPD and continuing medical education (CME) accreditation systems throughout the world. Established in 2013, the Academy serves as a platform that facilitates peer-to-peer support for leaders of CPD/CME accreditation systems and encourages networking, mentoring and interactions about common issues.”¹

ECSF as well as the other co-organisers of CCC (US Accreditation Council for CME, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada) highly welcomed International Academy as future co-organiser of CCC.

They decided to make **“Standards and Guidelines in Accredited CPD”** the theme of CCC 2019, to be held on **Sept. 13-14, 2019 in Cologne, Germany.**

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¹ <https://academy4cpd-accreditation.org>