We (Medcom) had a video meeting today - notes below. Of course the Spring meeting in New Zealand has been cancelled.

The World Congress in Interlaken 2nd June is very unlikely to happen. Our colleagues in northern Italy are expecting a long tail to the infection. Public health Drs in Central Europe are pretty firm that delaying 6 months is not enough. Most say 1 yr, possibly 9 months before any return to cautious international travel. I know that flies against the start of liberalisation in China.

The Medcom are reconvening by ‘Zoom’ on the 3rd of June to discuss the situation. No planning or anticipation of a meeting this year is possible till then.

Sad days. The stories from a number of countries were 'spine chilling.' (Non-English speakers may need to look that phrase up, preferably after a glass of wine.)

Best wishes
John

Video meeting March 18th 9.00-9.30 London time
Notes
Participants (10)
Naomi, Marie, Alison, Dick (very poor signal), Natalie, Jon W, John E, Oli, Hermann, Giacomo

Agenda
Too early to make a decision, deferred decision until June 2020. Please inform JE of any personal financial losses to JE and also if you are having to hold onto flights. It was felt that getting a refund rather than delaying flights would be the safest option unless personal use of flight for a holiday was still an aim.

ISMM Congress?
Decision on 4.4.20 - looks unlikely. Don’t book flights or Congress at the moment.

Video conference in June 2020?
Plan a zoom meeting for June 3rd 2020. (Could be done from ISMM Congress if some of us are there.)

Papers:
Determination of death paper - awaiting submission
Multi trauma paper

Projects:
Questionnaire on blood products - JE to pull together the questionnaire and circulate
HT project -
Website - short profiles and history, then market. Hermann will post up some information on Covid
Recommendations - canyon, death etc - pick up later in the year

2020, 14-18th Oct; Thessaloniki Greece
Practical Day
Tactical Alpine Medicine, Markus Isser & Natalie Hölzl
Maintain or Restore the Airway, Mathius Jacob

Congress presentations
? QI avalanche rescue
Patagonia DiMM - Alison

Medcom presentations
Bats and Rabies in the Grand Canyon, A Search & Rescue Multi Casualty Incident - Dr. Drew Harrell
Ultramarathon and Adventure Race Medicine - Dr. Aaron Reilly

2021, 7-11 April; Glenmore Lodge, Scotland. Glenmore closed till mid June so no urgency re confirming/delaying meeting

Busy days ahead, lots of stresses, Everyone keep safe.

Thanks for participating.
John Ellerton

On 18 Mar 2020, at 17:52, Gebhard IKAR <terrestrial.rescue@ikar-cisa.org> wrote:

Hi!

I am not sure, if our board meeting in August will have a problem by the corona virus pandemic. I believe, we should wait and decide about them in June

Out congress in Greece is in October!

I believe, we should discuss about this also in June.

Gebhard
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Am 17.03.2020 um 20:02 schrieb vice-president@ikar-cisa.org:
Dear ICAR friends.
We are in the start of a global pandemic situation. In Norway we are in phase two and we are stopping all activity possible to stop spreading the virus. We have not done similar after last worldwar.
I think we already have to think of a plan B for board meeting in August and communicate with Greece about the conference in September.

This situation will escalate into the summer and perhaps longer.
A serous situation and we must communicate and further.

All the best from Norway.

Dan

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