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Welcome message from HOPE AGORA 2015 Chairman



Dear Participants of HOPE AGORA 2015,

Please accept the warmest welcome from myself and the Polish Hospital Federation. We are much honoured to be your host this year. So far, 205 people have registered to attend, among them 130 HOPE Exchange Participants, HOPE President, 21 HOPE Governors, 45 HOPE National Coordinators and HOPE Liaison Officers and of course HOPE Chief Executive and HOPE Central Office Staff.

The Polish Hospital Federation is one of the youngest members of the HOPE family. Thanks to the encouragement from past HOPE Presidents Dr John Cachia from Malta and Mr Georg Baum from Germany, as well as HOPE Chief Executive Mr Pascal Garel, we were able to create a national organisation of hospitals in 2011. There is complete freedom of association for employers in Poland. We have many hospital owners, like local governments of various levels, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Defense, and Ministry of Interior, medical universities, church and a good number of private corporations. As you imagine, associating hospitals into one organisation was not an easy task. We are proud to be successful and we continue to work to strengthen our federation but also to play an active role in HOPE.

Your visit to Warsaw will take place at one of the best times of the year. With summer just around the corner, the weather is usually warm and sunny in June. We selected a very nice hotel and conference venue in the centre of the new city with only a short distance to the old city and the Royal Tract. You will be given a presentation not only about Polish healthcare but also about attractions of Poland and Warsaw capital city itself. The Mayor of Warsaw has awarded her honorary patronage to HOPE Agora 2015, therefore we expect an opening statement and active role of the city office in making your stay enjoyable.

As HOPE Agora has always been about work and fun, we have organised two social events for all participants. One will happen at the Vistula river bank restaurant with splendid views of the city and another one will take place at one of the best music clubs in the vicinity of the National Theatre and the Presidential Palace.

Please accept my best wishes of safe travel and great time in Warsaw. See you soon!

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