

# @-Bulletin



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EUFAMI is hosting a major European conference in Dublin, Ireland on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2013. It will be cohosted by Shine, the national organisation dedicated to upholding the rights and addressing the needs of all those affected by mental ill health in Ireland. The conference will take place at the Radisson Blu Hotel, Dublin Airport, which is located approximately 700 metres from the passenger terminals at Dublin Airport. A complimentary 24 hour shuttle bus service runs between the passenger terminals and the hotel. There is ample car parking space available. (http://www.radissonblu.ie/hotel-dublinairport). The city centre is within a 20 minute journey by car or bus.

# **Background**

EUFAMI is holding this conference as part of a series of events to mark the association's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The conference will briefly look back on how the family and carer movement has developed across Europe over the past 20 years. But it will mainly concentrate on how and what developments can be expected by families and carers over the coming years, which appear likely to be dominated by a continuing economic downturn across most of Europe and reductions in government budgets for national mental health services. The conference will be based around four major themes – empowerment of families and carers, partnership in practice, education and quality information and the impact of caring on families and the health issues which they encounter.

# Who should attend?

The congress will be of interest to all family members and persons with self experience, as well as all members of the medical and social services professions who practice or have an interest in the area of community psychiatric services.

# **Programme**

The conference will take place over one day, Friday,  $24^{th}$  May 2013 and will comprise of a plenary session, a roundtable discussion and interactive sessions. The conference will close with the release of the Dublin Declaration and Call for Action. Full details of the programme will be published on the EUFAMI website on Friday,  $8^{th}$  February. The conference will be conducted through English.

For more information, please look at the web site www.eufami.org or contact EUFAMI at info@eufami.org

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## **Delegate Fees**

Anybody wishing to register and attend the conference must pay a small delegate fee. Full details of fees will be published on the Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2013- see <a href="www.eufami.org">www.eufami.org</a>. The fee will allow delegate full access to the conference proceedings, speaker handouts and admittance for one to the conference dinner.

# **Registration for the Delegates**

Early bird registration, with reduced fees, will commence on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2013. Please check back by logging onto the EUFAMI website (<a href="www.eufami.org">www.eufami.org</a>). Reduced delegate fees will be available to any EUFAMI website.

#### **Conference Dinner**

There will be a dinner for all delegates to the conference on the evening of Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2013. Further details will follow.

#### **Accommodation**

A wide range of accommodation will be on offer to delegates both at the conference hotel, the Radisson Blu, Dublin Airport and many other hotels located near to the airport. Full details will be available on the EUFAMI website from Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

## **About Dublin**

Dublin is the capital of Ireland and is located on the east coast of Ireland. There are many websites which will provide you with lots of information about Dublin – its history and culture. Examples of sites are <a href="http://www.dublin.ie/visitors.htm">http://www.dublin.ie/visitors.htm</a> and <a href="http://www.visitdublin.com">http://www.visitdublin.com</a>. The currency of Ireland is the euro.

## Questions

If you have any queries or require clarification on any matters related to the congress, please send your question to <a href="dublin2013\_query@eufami.org">dublin2013\_query@eufami.org</a>

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