



Press Release

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3rd ECHDO MEETING IN BERLIN ON 7-8 NOVEMBER 2008 “SHARING KNOWLEDGE, EXCHANGING EXPERIENCES”

ECHDO - the European Congenital Heart Disease Organization - and Corience will hold a joint workshop in Berlin on November 7–8th, 2008. Parent organisations, self-help groups, doctors and scientists from over 20 European countries are invited to learn more about medical issues in the treatment of congenital heart diseases and to share ideas about how to cooperate and participate in the development of ECHDO and Corience.

During various guided workshops, the delegates will be given the opportunity to get in touch with similar organisations from all over Europe. They will be able to exchange experiences and learn from other organisations' success stories. The meeting aims to connect all members of the community to enhance debate and discussion about important issues. Central topics will include the development of network cooperation and lobbying both locally and at a European level.

Surgeons and cardiologists from renowned medical centres across Europe will present new developments in the treatment of Congenital Heart Disease (CHD), report on clinical trials to achieve better drug safety, and discuss the individual legal rights of children who take part in clinical studies.

About ECHDO

ECHDO is the European umbrella organization for all people affected by congenital heart disease (CHD). The vision of ECHDO is to share information and experience in order to improve the care and treatment for people all over Europe who are affected by CHD.

www.echdo.org

About Corience

Corience is an independent European internet platform dedicated to congenital heart defects. Accessible, easy to understand, and highly informative, it addresses patients, parents, doctors and scientists alike.

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