The CDISC Coordinating Committees - Update

Two of the CDISC Coordinating Committees (3Cs) are coming into their second decade of existence with many new plans and ideas, and those that are newer are forging ahead with their own energy and activities while learning from their predecessors. The 3Cs took their lead from the E3C (Europe) and their charters thus reflect the base charter from the E3C that was launched in 2001 under the leadership of Udo Siegmann, who has since retired. Because CDISC has grown significantly since 2001 and there are new initiatives within the CDISC Global offerings (for example, the CDISC Education program), it was felt that there should be a new charter for the 3Cs. This has been drafted with input, from many who have been involved in the 3Cs, and all of the 3Cs are in the process of reviewing this draft charter and providing input to improve it. This is important in the context of discussions that are occurring within the CDISC Advisory Board (CAB) about its structure and also with respect to the CDISC User Networks, so stay tuned! And, if you are interested in being involved as a 3C member or a reviewer of the new charter, please don’t hesitate to let us know. (Contact Diana Harakeh: dharakeh@cdisc.org).

Here are more specifics on each of the 3C activities and plans for this fall.

China CDISC Coordinating Committee (C3C)

Under the new leadership of Zibao Zhang (see the August eNews for the transfer of leadership from Simon Wang), the C3C activities over the next few months of 2012 include:

1. Discuss how to use CDISC standards in Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) clinical research - two cases (Tianjin, and Guangzhou)
2. Review C-STAR (CDISC Standards Translation into Chinese) progress and plan for next steps
3. Discuss how to support SFDA/CDE submission data standard initiative
4. Update the status of user groups (Beijing, Shanghai) and help users to setup new UGs, e.g. one in Guangzhou
5. Discuss C3C goals for Q4 2012 and beyond (have already reviewed the DRAFT 3C Charter)
6. Explore with CDISC Education the opportunity for training CDISC instructors in China

If you have nominations for new members on the C3C, please submit the name, resume and a letter on why this individual wants to be on the C3C to sleaman@cdisc.org.

Europe CDISC Coordinating Committee (E3C)

The European CDISC Coordinating Committee (E3C) is also under new leadership. Congratulations to Peter van Reusel of Business and Decision! And, many thanks to Pierre-Yves Lastic, who served as the prior E3C leader and is now Chair-elect of the CDISC Board of Directors.

The E3C will be having a Face-to-Face meeting in Brussels on 18 and 19 September. Bron Kisler will be attending this meeting on behalf of CDISC Operations leadership. Day 1 will be
dedicated to the E3C organization, including discussion of the new DRAFT 3C Charter, and Day 2 is focusing on the organization of the European Interchange (April 2013 in Germany). Peter and Bron will lead the topics they will cover on Day 1, and Jörg Dillert will lead the Agenda for Day 2.

If you have nominations for new members on the E3C, please submit the name, resume and a letter on why this individual wants to be on the E3C to dharakeh@cdisc.org.

**Japan CDISC Coordinating Committee (J3C)**

The Japan CDISC Coordinating Committee (J3C), under the leadership of Yoshio Tsukada (for 8 of the 10 years they have been in existence will be having a Face-to-Face meeting on 13-14 September in the Osaka area.

All ten J3C members will attend and will discuss the following topics:
1. Review of CDISC Interchange Japan 2012 (held in July)
2. Discussion on new 3C DRAFT Charter
3. Future direction of J3C including organizational structure and operation
4. J3C activities plan for next a couple of years

If you have nominations for new members on the J3C, please submit the name, resume and a letter on why this individual wants to be on the J3C to rkush@cdisc.org.

**Korea CDISC Coordinating Committee (K3C)**

Under the leadership of Dr. Sukil Kim, the Korean CDISC Coordinating Committee is exploring the launch of a User Network in Korea (possibly in place of the K3C). Others have been interested in launching such a User Network in this area. We look forward to hearing of such progress.