

ENSH-GLOBAL WELCOMES SEVEN NEW MEMBERS TO THE ENSH GOLD FORUM

ENSH-Global announce that **seven** candidates were successful applicants in the **ENSH Gold Forum Process 2013**. In all, ten candidates from seven countries were submitted for the ENSH GOLD Forum Process 2013. The successful seven new Forum members are: SKA-RZ Weyer(Austria), Changhua Christian Hospital (Taiwan), Taipei Medical University Hospital (Taiwan), Chung Shan Medical University Hospital (Taiwan), New Taipei City Hospital (Taiwan), SMG-SNU Boramae Medical Center (Korea) and Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Louth (Ireland).

ENSH GOLD Forum is a global platform that gives recognition to members and non-members working at the highest level of ENSH standards implementation. It provides a learning and sharing forum for the exchange of best practice and access to experts on key aspects of implementation on tobacco free policies. To achieve GOLD Forum Membership, health services must be nominated and validated by an external national/regional organisation and must present in a structured report evidence of their high performance in implementing the 10 ENSH Standards on tobacco control. The applications are then assessed by an international three members peer-review jury group.

At the next **GOLD Forum Event**, the seven new Forum members will present and share good practice and discuss the following challenges in tobacco control within healthcare services:

- Total compliance with the tobacco free campus policy
- Provide education and training to all health professionals
- Tobacco cessation services and methods to all (patients, staff and community)

This **EVENT** provides all participants with an opportunity to share and learn from all **FORM** members how to design useful tobacco free policies, overcome resistances and implement prevention and cessation initiatives. The new members join eleven existing members: Taiwan Adventist Hospital (Taiwan), St. Martin De Porres Hospital (Taiwan), Cathay General Hospital (Taiwan), Jianan Mental Hospital (Taiwan), Taiwan Landseed Hospital (Taiwan), ICO Barcelona (Catalonia, Spain), Althaia Hospital (Catalonia, Spain), St. Vincent University Hospital (Ireland), Connolly Hospital (Ireland), salus klinik Lindow (Germany) and Reha-Zentrum Todtmoos, Klinik Wehrwald (Germany), the first GOLD Forum member in 2009.

The next **ENSH GOLD Forum EVENT** is scheduled for Wednesday 22nd of May 2013 in Gothenburg, Sweden within the Tobacco Free Pre Conference that is being

held in association with the 21st International Conference of Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services (HPH).

For more information and to register for the pre conference

<http://www.hphconferences.org/gothenburg2013.html>