PARTICIPANTS' SURVEY RESULTS

This survey was anonymous and was made by the Organization Committee of the Fourth Eastern European Conference on Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs “Together for Integrative Approach to Rare Diseases”. The aim of the survey was to explore the opinion of the participants about the quality of the organization of the conference and if the objectives of the conference were achieved.

1. Your age: 39.42 years
2. Gender: 33.3% Male 66.7% Female

3. Country: 63% Bulgaria, 14% Romania, 5% Turkey, 18% Others

4. Type of participation (more than 1 answer possible):
   - 24.3% Patient/relative
   - 60.4% Medical professional
   - 4.5% Medical student
   - 7.2% Pharma industry
   - 6.3% Governmental institution
   - 5.4% Other: ___________________

5. You participate at a similar conference for the:
   - 45% First time
   - 27% Second time
   - 28% Three or more times

6. Why did you participate in the conference (more than 1 answer possible)?
   - 78.2% To learn the latest news in the field of rare diseases;
   - 64.5% To meet leading specialists on rare diseases;
   - 33.6% I have participated in your previous conferences and I appreciated them;
   - 8.2% Other: ___________________

7. How did you learn about this conference (more than 1 answer possible)?
   - 19.3% I have received a printed announcement by the post;
   - 41.3% I have received an announcement by e-mail;
6.4% I have read an announcement in a newsletter;
44.0% A friend/colleague told me about the conference;
19.3% I have participated in your previous conferences and follow up your activities;
7.3% Other: _______________________________________ 

8. How do you assess the announcement of the conference?
   5.32 (6=excellent; 2=poor)

9. How do you assess the website of the conference?
   5.39 (6=excellent; 2=poor)

10. Did the Conference come up to your expectations and answered your specific questions?
   80% Yes  2% No  18% Partly

11. Do you find the invited speakers appropriate and adequate?
   81% Yes  3% No  16% Partly

12. Do you find the workshop topics appropriate and adequate?
   86% Yes  2% No  12% Partly

13. How do you assess the quality of presentations in Session 1 (Policy on rare diseases):
   5.25 (6=excellent; 2=poor)

14. How do you assess the quality of presentations in Session 2 (Sharing best in different countries):
   5.24 (6=excellent; 2=poor)

15. How do you assess the quality of presentations in Session 3 (Models of integrative approach in different rare diseases):
   5.44 (6=excellent; 2=poor)
16. How do you assess the overall quality of the conference?

5.25 (6=excellent; 2=poor)

17. In your opinion, did the conference achieve its objectives?

87% Yes  4% No  9% Partly

18. Do you have comments and suggestions for improving future conferences?

74% No  26% Yes: ________________________________

19. What is your overall level of satisfaction from the conference?

5.37 (6=excellent; 2=poor)

20. Would you participate in similar conferences in the future?

92.5% Yes  4.7% No  2.8% I have not decided yet