

CPD system - obligatory for full members?

In the Hungarian Actuarial Society, our relevant Accreditation Committee (AC) which is, among others, responsible for accrediting events that are admissible for our own CPD system (which is mandatory for our full members) has encountered a problem that may have relevance in other Member Associations.

According to our accreditation principles an event can be accredited if it satisfies a number of conditions (such as professional in nature). One of these conditions is that the event can be accessed by our membership, i.e. if an event is closed to any of our members then that event cannot be accredited. One of our full members works in another EU country and apparently he has been admitted as a full member of the local association (probably on the basis of the MRA) as he asked the AC to accredit an event that only members of the local (host) association may attend; i.e. it is closed to our own membership and hence, based on the principle mentioned above should NOT be accredited. However, there is a feeling that it would be unreasonable to expect that our members working abroad travel home just for the sake of complying with our CPD rules. Hence the above principle may need to be amended.

I feel that a member of our own Society should be given a green light in complying with our own CPD requirements if s/he, as a member of the *host association* (in the terminology of the MRA), complies with the CPD requirements of the *host association* – provided the CPD requirements of the *host association* are broadly equivalent of the CPD requirements of the *home association*. Still there is an issue if a full member works in a country where the local association does not require a formal CPD system.

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