

# European Clinical Microsystem Network ECMN

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For all of us time goes fast and this years "conference" has begun to be a good memory. Maybe it wasn't a conference? This year was not a conference it was a community of learners, said Marjorie Godfrey. What do you say, it is just to agree...

Such wonderful and creative days – **thanks** to you all that participated in this year's conference and made it to an experience that we late forget. Eight nations, about 230 people, what an excellent opportunity to create new contacts with people share curiosity and experience of improvement work. We hope that you went home with new inspiration, creative force, and ideas for future changes, for both the patient as well as the microsystems.

The first conference day started with a lunch based on the so-called "Medici Effect" created by Frans Johansson. The Medici Effect is all about Johansson, founder and former CEO of an enterprise software company, argues that innovations occur when people see beyond their expertise and approach situations actively, with an eye toward putting available materials together in new combinations. Because of ions, "the movement of people, the convergence of science, and the leap of computation," a wide range of materials available for new, recontextualized uses is becoming a norm rather than an exception, much as the Medici family of Renaissance Italy's patronage helped develop European arts and culture. For cases in point,

Johansson profiles, among others, Marcus Samuelsson, the acclaimed chef at New York's Aquavit. An Ethiopian orphan, Samuelsson was adopted by a Swedish family, with whom he traveled widely, enabling him to develop the restaurant's unique and innovative menu. (Less familiar innovators include a medical resident who, nearly assaulted by an emergency room patient she was treating, developed outreach programs designed to prevent teen violence.) Chapters admonish readers to "Randomly Combine Concepts" and "Ignite an Explosion of Ideas." Less focused on innovations within a corporate setting than on individual achievements, and more concerned with self-starting and goal-setting than teamwork, Johansson's book offers a clear enough set of concepts for plugging in the specifics of one's own setting and expertise. But don't expect the book to tell you where to get the money for prototypes or production.

Read more about the thoughts that came up during our lunch inspired from [The Medici Effect](#)

At this years conference we were lucky to have many new participators and therefor we want to remind you of the definition of what a Clinical Microsystem is and what goals we have with our Clinical Microsystem Network. families and clinical team meet and where the work is done.

**Clinical Microsystem** is the place where patients, **Aim statement of the European Clinical Microsystem Network:**

- Learn more about Microsystems in Healthcare
- Manifestation of successful examples
- To convene a community of healthcare professionals who are interested in learning and improving the clinical Microsystem throughout Europe
- Improve the vitality and professional formation in Clinical Microsystems
- Become a large European Network for Clinical Microsystem

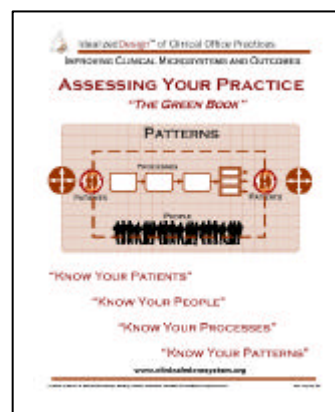
Another exciting and very appreciated seminar in this year's conference was Göran Henriks lecture day two about – Can we learn from sports and a coaching approach? Göran described how we can use our coaching skills to support our Clinical Microsystem to develop its competence and in that way achieve the best result both individual and in the team. As a coach you have to know your colleagues.

[Download Göran Henriks PowerPoint presentation](#)

[See photos from this years Clinical Microsystem Festival](#)

We who work with Clinical Microsystems, what kind of support do we need to develop and spread our knowledge? Describe, write an e-mail to Anna Ringheim. In the next MicroNewsletter we will give you examples of people and support functions that we want to try to supply.

**Theme for next year's conference:** *Micro/Macro/Meso and marketplaces March 1-2 2006.*



Don't miss the new edition of "**Assessing Your Practice - The Green Book**" that is coming out in May. In this a new P is "born" - Purpose. This P is intended to make us discuss why we exist. In this edition the worksheets will all be in Word format. Questions about the book? Contact: Marjorie Godfrey.

Please give us suggestions what we should write about in our MicroNewsletter. Maybe you have something that you want to share. Send the information to Anna Ringheim.

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