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Academia Engelberg: 4th Dialogue on Science from 28 to 30 September 2005

Engelberg despite everything!

The 4th Dialogue on Science of the Academia Engelberg from 28 to 30 September 2005 with 130 participants from the worlds of science, business, politics, society and the media will take place despite all the horrendous events in Engelberg recently.

As a mark of solidarity with the population and the tourism region of Engelberg affected by the recent catastrophic weather conditions, the conference will take place in spite of some restrictions in Engelberg. In these difficult times, the people of Engelberg have shown great courage and powers of endurance. The Academia Engelberg Foundation acknowledges the engagement shown by the population and will quite consciously hold the 4th Dialogue on Science in Engelberg as a mark of solidarity.

Where is healthcare going in Europe?

The conference on science and trust this year addresses taboos in the health system: Who decides, and why, between expediency and luxury treatment, for example in cases of premature birth or intensive care in old age? A further question to be addressed here is: "How can influence be brought to bear on the attitudes of partners in a healthcare system - patients, medical staff, health insurance companies and politics?". These questions will be examined by exponents such as Dr. Roger Busch from Munich, Prof. Miroslav Radman from Paris, Prof. Pierre Alain Clavien from Zürich, Dr. Jan von Overbeck from the Swiss Re, Prof. Walter Siegenthaler from Zürich, and further experts and participants.

Building bridges for science

Fundamental scientific knowledge not infrequently encounters strong reservations and mistrust in the broader population. Academia Engelberg tries to do its part in helping to build bridges by fostering a new basis of trust through dialogue between science and the general public..

Further information can be found at www.academia-engelberg.ch

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Academia Engelberg is concerned to ensure that this discussion is also held with people from the media. They are cordially invited to attend this conference. For further information, contact: Academia Engelberg, Beatrice Suter, KommunikationsWerkstatt, Tel. +41-41-660 96 19, Fax +41-41-660 96 28, e-mail: media@academia-engelberg.ch and www.academia-engelberg.ch