

## **EPSA Perspective on Soft Skills**

#### Agenda

- Where did we start?
- Launching EPSA Training Project
- The most popular topics
- Future aspects



#### Where did we start?

 In mandate 2008/09, it was recognised that additional skills for delivering various WS were needed.

 Leadership Summer School (LSS) was recommended course for future leader of EPSA.

Why is EPSA not self-suitanable?

### Launching a new project



## **EPSA Training Project**

- Official launch of the project, 8 TNT, 1 TtT
- From few pharmacy trainers (2009) over 50 pharmacy trainers (2015)
- Delivering over 30 hours of soft skills training on EPSA events every year
- Delivering over trainings in more 15 countries during local events every year
- Collaborating with many students organisation



#### Most popular topics

Motivation

Communication

Time management skills

Leadership skills

Stress management skills

Project management skills

#### What has already been achieved?

Students are more aware of soft skills term.

Students have higher self-awareness.

- The quality of EPSA WS is increased.
- More opportunities are offered by universities.

#### **Future aspects**

- Provide traning at every European country
- Agree with EPSA members on official position regarding soft skills implementation
- Work together with representatives of faculties of pharmacy to offer more opportunities for students to improve their soft skills

#### Take home message

The huge amount of scientific skills faculty teaches us make us pharmacists, but the soft-skills are the ones that make us the best professionals we can possibly be!



# Thank you!

**Questions?** 



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