



## *Newsletter No 10- 08*

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Dear CAM – supporters,

on August 28<sup>th</sup>, the EU-Commission presented its work schedule for 2009. The **definition of CAM** (Natural Medicine), is outlined within its framework (FP7/Abs.3.1-3). A knowledge base is to be established along with a consensus on terminology and definitions. Citizen's needs are to be ascertained and attention is to be paid to the respective requirements of different nations. In addition, a European CAM-Research plan will be developed! This is good news indeed! The bad news is that all this is to take place according to the rules of EBM (Evidence Based Medicine), and a strict scientific basis.

Our inquiry to EU-organs and the national ministries of health regarding the **“Guideline to Patient’s Rights”** can be read on our homepage: [www.anme.info](http://www.anme.info). We will collect the responses and publicize the contents. You can read what the VKHD (Verein Klassischer Homöopathen Deutschlands /Association of German Classical Homeopaths), have to say about the possible meaning of this guideline by clicking “Aktuelles”.

At the 1<sup>st</sup> Congress of DHZ (Deutsche Heilpraktiker Zeitung / German Naturopath Newspaper), on September 5<sup>th</sup> in Mainz, the former President of the German Parliament, Prof. Rita Suessmuth, spoke about the **urgent need for quality control**, particularly in regards to the non-academic, self-employed healing professions. Legislators would only be able to bring about change through new laws.

**“No one has the guts to say anything”** is the title of the NATURARZT-Interview about the scandalous practices of the Amalgam-Lobby, against which whose reports there is an appeal to sign the attached petition by the Luxembourg **Network AKUT**.

**Congratulations! ELIANT**, the European Allianz of Initiatives of Applied Anthroposophy, has already collected 500,000 signatures! In order to reach the goal of one million signatures and with it, the impuls for an EU-legislative initiative, 500,000 more signatures are needed. Join us at: [www.elianteu.eu](http://www.elianteu.eu) !

Wishing you a pleasant end of summer,

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