

IPEM statement to EAMBES following EU Referendum result

Following the UK's decision in June to leave the European Union after the Referendum result, representatives of a number of scientific organisations within the UK, including the Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine (IPEM), attended the annual 'Parliamentary Links Day' meeting, where representatives from Government, science organisations and others discuss key issues of the day.

This year's meeting was entitled 'Science after the Referendum', and given the narrow result of the vote in the UK to leave the European Union (EU), the meeting was particularly relevant and well-attended, especially as it was held only a matter of days after the result.

All polls suggested that up to 93% of scientists in the UK were in favour of remaining within the EU, and the meeting was full of concern about what might happen now that the result has gone the other way.

It was clear throughout the meeting that science-based organisations here in the UK wished to stress that they remain very keen to continue to work and collaborate with their European (and other) partners.

IPEM wishes to re-iterate that message, and would like to re-assure our friends and colleagues within EAMBES that IPEM and its members remain committed to working in partnership with you, whatever the political consequences of the Referendum vote.

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