

## Summary of the Occupational Therapy Profession in Europe



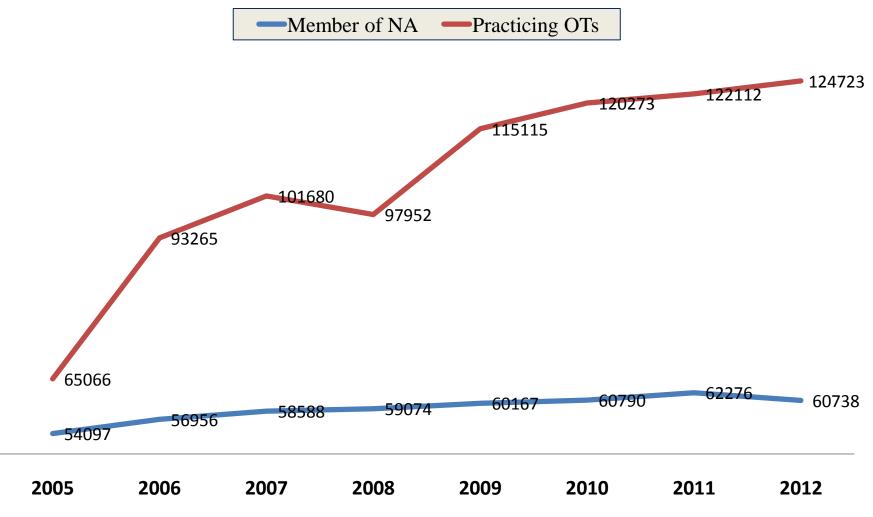
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## **Introduction to COTEC**

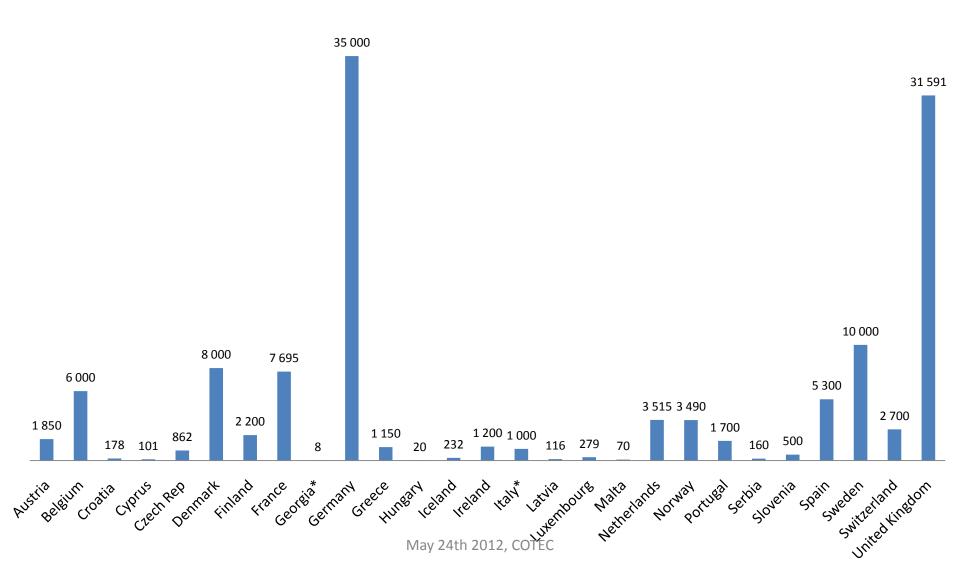
- Founded in 1986 by 12 OT Associations
- Create a single voice for OT in Europe
- Celebrated 25 years in existence in 2011
- Achieved legal status in 2011
- Close collaborating with the European Network for Occupational Therapy in Higher Education
- Summary collated annually since 1986
- This presentation focuses on figures from 2005 to 2012 May 24th 2012, COTEC

## Occupational Therapists in Europe 2005-2012

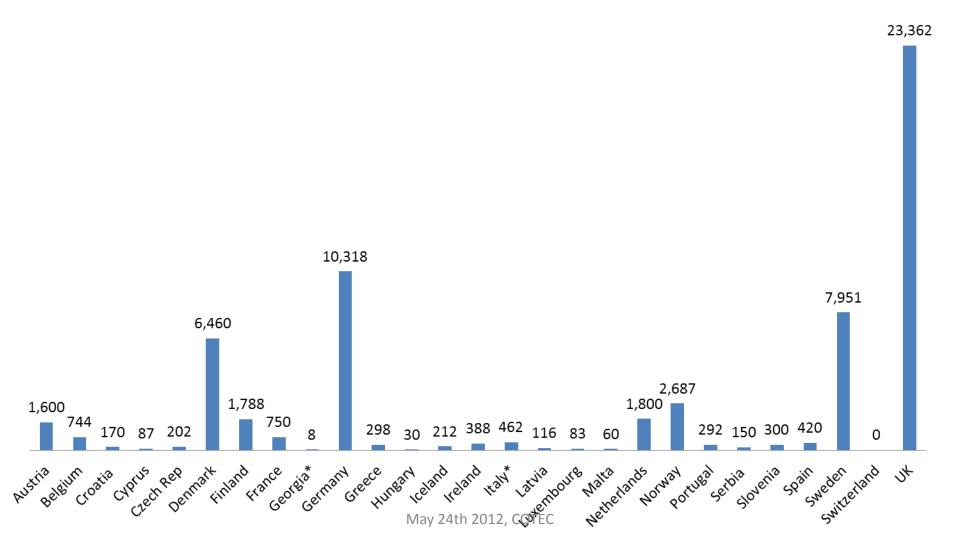
#### Occupational Therapists in Europe 2005 – 2012 *Practicing OTs compared to NA membership*



### **OTs in Europe per country in 2012**



#### **National Association Membership 2012**

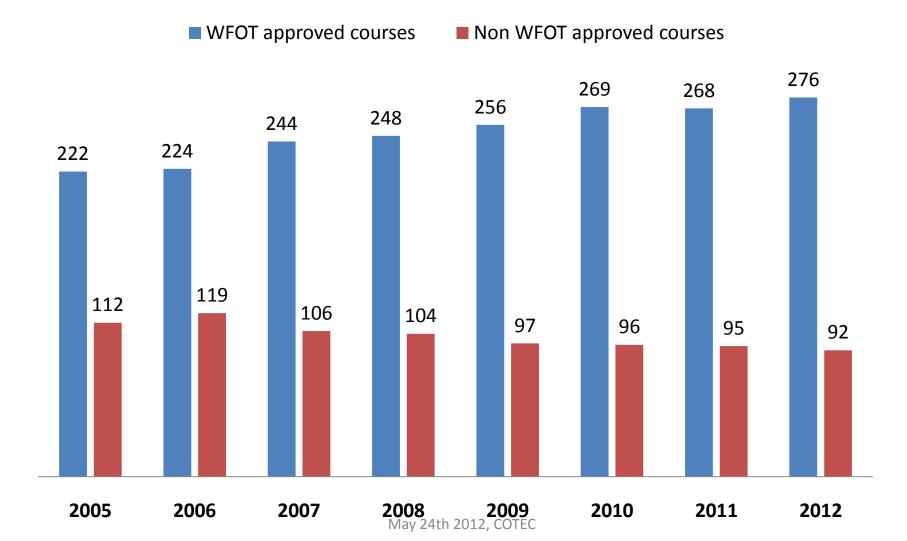


#### **COTEC members with the highest prevalence** of Occupational Therapists

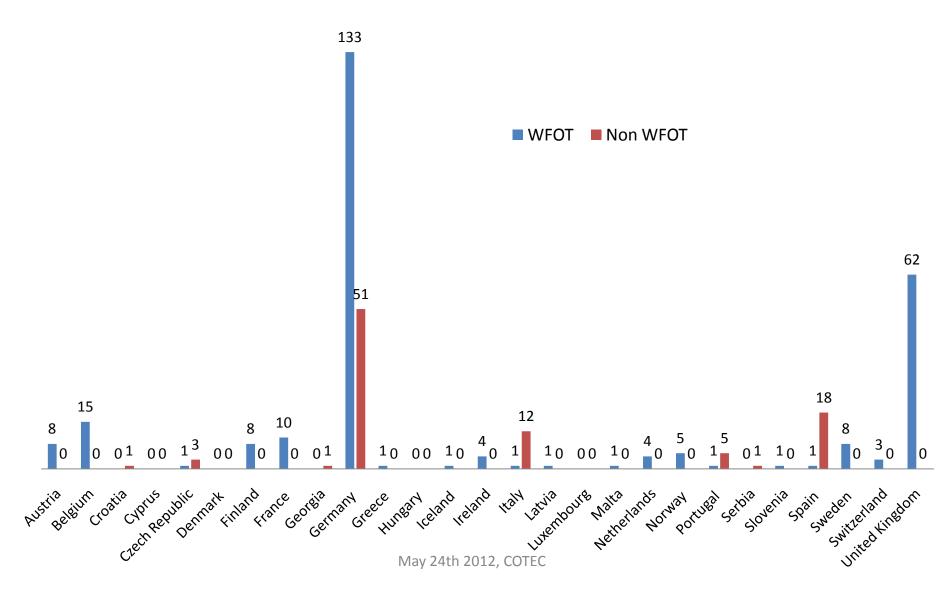
Practicing Occupational Therapists		National Association Membership	
Country	Ν	Country	N (% of practicing OTs)
Germany	35000	United Kingdom	23362 (73%)
United Kingdom	31591	Germany	10318 (29%)
Sweden	10000	Sweden	7951 (79%)
Denmark	8000	Denmark	6460 (80%)
France	7695	Norway	2687 (76%)
Belgium	6000	Switzerland	2070 (76%)
Spain	5300	The Netherlands	1800 (51%)
The Netherlands	3515	Finland	1788 (81%)
Norway	3490	Austria	1600 (86%)
Switzerland	2700	France	750 (9%)
Finland	2200	Belgium	744 (12%)

## **Occupational Therapy in Higher Education** in Europe 2005-2012

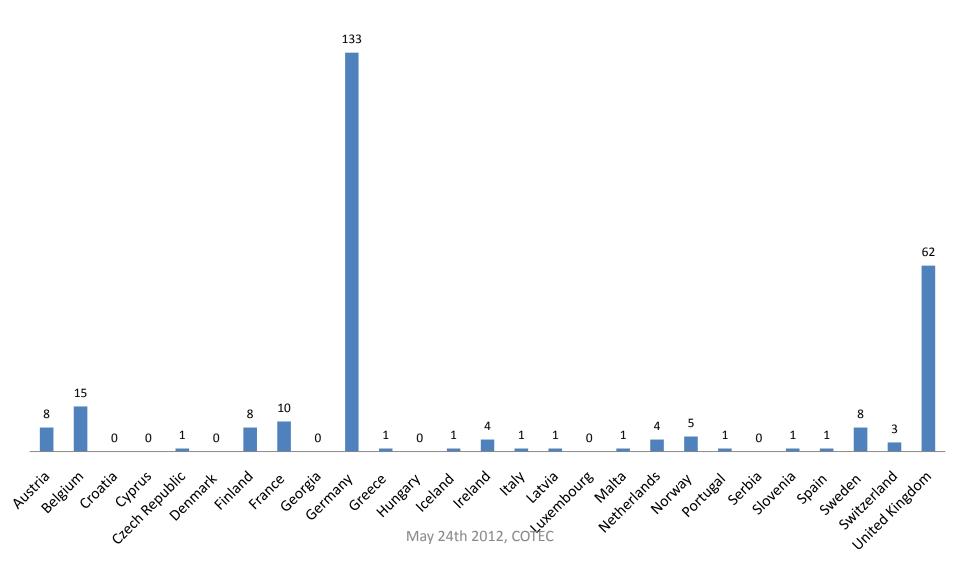
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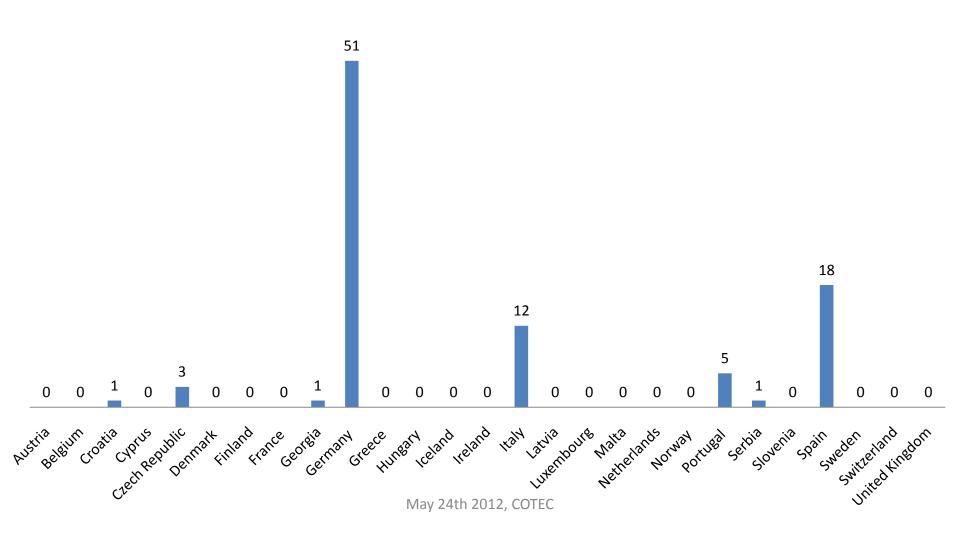
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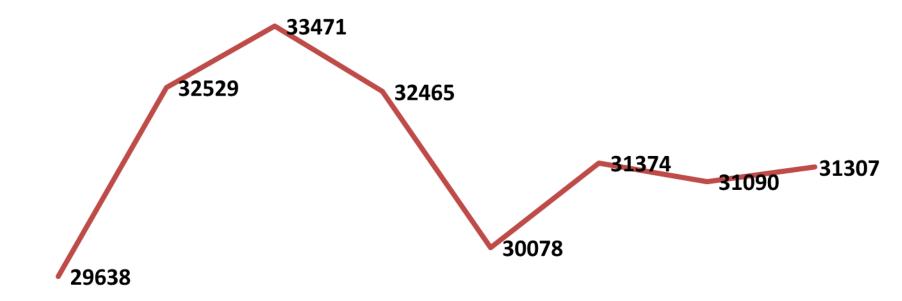
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### Non WFOT accredited programmes by country in 2012

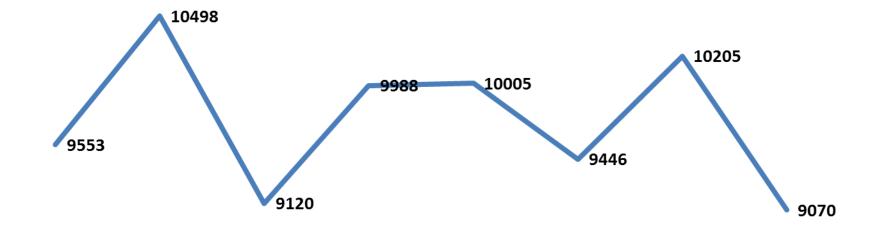


# Students studying OT in Europe 2005-2012



2005 2006 2007 <sup>M2</sup>008<sup>2012, CO</mark>2009 2010 2011 2012</sup>

# Number of graduating students each year 2005-2012





### **Post Graduate Education in OT 2012**

Post graduate opportunities	N*	
Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy	11	Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Italy, The Netherlands, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom
Non OT specific Masters Degree	20	
PhD Degree in Occupational Therapy		Ireland, Sweden and United Kingdom
Non OT specific PhD Degree	24	
*N = number of countries of COTEC Member associations		

# Status of Occupational Therapy in Europe

## **Status of OT in Europe 2012**

Status of OT profession	N *
Professional Legally Recognised	27
Profession Regulated	20
Publishes a journal	23
Association has trade union status	6
National system for accreditation of OT	24
programmes	
Code of ethics for Occupational Therapy	25
practice	
*N = number of countries of COTEC Member associations	

### Conclusion

- The number of practicing OTs in Europe is increasing.
- The largest number of OTs in Europe work in Germany.
- The Austrian Association has the highest number of practicing OTs as members of the association at 86%.
- There are current 368 OT educational programmes throughout Europe. Of these, 276 are WFOT approved
- Germany and the UK offer the greatest number of OT programmes
- Opportunities for post graduate OT education is offered in 11 COTEC member states. 3 of these offer PhD programmes in OT
- 23 members of COTEC publish a journal of OT
- 24 have a national system for accreditation



#### The COTEC Executive would like to thank all delegates and alternates for their assistance in the collation of this data on a yearly basis

