BACKGROUND
The European Society for Quality and Safety in Family Medicine (EQuiP) has since 2008 developed Summer Schools as a method for teaching research in quality improvement (QI) in primary care to support the training of healthcare providers. The Société Française de la Thérapeutique du Généraliste (SFTG) has organised French-speaking EQuiP-inspired Summer Schools on Quality Improvement for the last three consecutive years - where many projects were born from participants with diverse backgrounds (GPs, pharmacists, nurses).

AIMS
1) Raise the awareness about the French Summer Schools.
2) Promote the importance of diverse backgrounds participants in enriching the exchanges.
3) Understand how Summer Schools can help in achieving a Quality Improvement project.
4) Display breathtaking Quality Improvements Projects (QIP) from the Summer Schools.

METHODS
Three 4-days Summer Schools took place in a charming place near Paris during the summer. The Summer Schools are held in French language and are not restricted to GPs. Experts on quality are invited for interactive plenary sessions and to facilitate workshops «à la carte» in small groups. Workshops on individual QIP are gathered per topic to allow exchanges and sharing ideas including self working time.

The French participants are financially supported by the national organism for continuing medical education.

RESULTS
From 2013 to 2015, there were approximately 16 participants per Summer School: A total of 49 participants, mostly GPs or GP trainees and nurses, pharmacists, healthcare managers) and 7 European Quality Experts invited. Participants were from Belgium, Switzerland and France.

In total, the Summer Schools dealt with 24 QIP within patient safety, therapeutical education and chronic diseases, set up of a healthcare centre, social inequities reduction etc.

CONCLUSIONS
The SFTG Summer Schools are a relevant work-catalysing QI tool in primary care.