



## **Minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> AGM of the European Society of Veterinary Pathology Uppsala, September 09<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 04.15 p.m.**

Agenda:

1. Apologies for absence / Obituary
2. Minutes of the 28<sup>th</sup> AGM in Belgrade
3. Election of new ESVP members
4. President's and Hon. Secretary's report
5. Hon. Treasurer's report
6. Scientific Committee
7. Journal of Comparative Pathology Trust: Bursaries
8. ESVP Bursaries
- 9a. ESVP Constitution: final decision
- 9b. ESVP Constitution: modification of article 1
10. E-learning project SVAP: update
11. Election of new Board Members
12. Election of the new President
13. Future Meetings
14. Any other Business

From the circulated attendance list, it was deduced that 76 members were present, including the Board members.

Lluís Lujan and Nicole Borel were elected to count votes.

The AGM is moderated by the Honorary Secretary (Felix Ehrensperger)

### **1. Apologies for absence / Obituary**

No apologies were received.

The Society remembered in silence Dr. Eugenia Tirifon, Bucharest, Romania, who passed away in 2010.

### **2. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting in Belgrade September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

The Minutes had been posted on the web site of the Society. No requests for additions or corrections were noted.

### 3. Election of new ESVP Members

The following 28 new Members were accepted and welcomed by acclamation:

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>			<b>Proposer/Seconder</b>
MANISCALCO	Lorella	Dipt. di Patologia Animale	Universita di Torino	BIOLATTI / BOLLO
GRAU-ROMA	Llorenc	Facultad de Veterinaria, Dep. de Anat. Patol.	Universidad Aut. de Barcelona	MASFERRER / VALLE
GUBCEAC	Elvira	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	U. of Bukarest	MILITARU / CIOBOTARU
NESIC	Sladjan	Faculty of VetMed, Dep. Of Vet Path	U of Belgrade	JOVANOVIC / KOVACEVIC
SZWEDA	Magdalena	Dept. of Forensic Vet. Medicine	Uniwersytet Warminko Mazurski, Olsztyn	SZAREK / BABINSKA
VERIN	Ranieri	Dipartimento di Patologia Animale Faculta Med. Vet.	University of Pisa	POLI / BENAZZI
DIEZ PADRIZA	Meritxell	Facultad de Veterinaria, Dep. De Anatomia Patologica	Universidad Autonoma de Barcelona	RAMIS / MASFERRER
SIMOLA	Outi	Section of Pathology, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	University of Helsinki	SUKURA / SYRJAE
SIHVO	Hanna-Kaisa	Section of Pathology, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	University of Helsinki	SUKURA / SYRJAE
POUTAHIDIS	Theofilos	Laboratory of Pathology, Faculty of Vet. Medicine	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	KALDRYMIDOU / VLEMMAS
SABATTINI	Silvia	Department of Public Health and Veterinary Pathology	University of Bologna	BETTINI / BENAZZI
SAYED-AHMED	Mohamed Zakaria	Institut fuer Pathologie	Tieraerztliche Hochschule Hannover	BAUMGAERTNER / PUFF
FEGHIU	Adrian	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	U. of Bukarest	MILITARU / CIOBOTARU
SIUDAK	Krystyna	Institut fuer Veterinaer-Pathologie	Justus-Liebig-Universitaet Giessen	REINACHER / HERDEN

KYCKO	Anna	National Vet. Res. Institutue		REICHERT / SZCZOTKA
KUPKE	Alexandra	Institut fuer Veterinaer-Pathologie	Justus-Liebig-Universitaet Giessen	REINACHER / HERDEN
BRAN	Susanne	Safety Assessment Sweden, Dept Path.	AstraZeneca R&D	BJURSTROEM / SEELIGER
SPRINGLER	Georg	Seibersdorf Labor GmbH		WEISSENBOECK / LOUPAL
CRONSTEDT-FELL	Annika	Research Institute of Wildlife Ecology	Vet Univ of Vienna	LOUPAL / WEISSENBOECK
CROCI	Martina	Institute of Vet Path	U of Zuerich	POSPISCHIL / GUSCETTI
DETTWILER	Martina	Institute of Vet Path	U of Zuerich	POSPISCHIL / GUSCETTI
DE BROT	Simone	Institute of Vet Path	U of Zuerich	POSPISCHIL / GUSCETTI
MAGI	Gian Enrico	Dept. of Vet. Sciences, Faculty of Vet Medicine	University of Camerino	ROSSI / RENZONI
REGENSCHEIT	Nadine	Institute of Vet Path	U of Zuerich	POSPISCHIL / BOREL
CANNIZZO	Francesca Tiziana	Dipt. di Patologia Animale	Universita di Torino	BIOLATTI / BOLLO
MOEHRING	Michaela	Philip Morris Research Laboratories GmbH	Köln	WALTER / AUPPERLE
GAL	Adrian Florin	U. of Agriculture and Vet Medicine	Cluj-Napoca ROMANIA	KATOI / MILITARU
CUESTA GARCIA	Nerea	Facultad de Veterinaria, Dep. De Anat. Patol.	Leon	GARCIA MARIN / RUIZ

The 28 new Members originate from eleven European countries: 5 from Italy, 4 from Germany, 4 from Switzerland, 3 from Romania, 3 from Spain, 2 from Poland, 2 from Finland, 2 from Austria, 1 from Sweden, 1 from Greece, 1 from Serbia.

#### **4. President's and Honorary Secretary's report**

The President, Cinzia Benazzi had attended the ACVP Meeting, October 30-November 3, 2010 in Baltimore, Maryland. The next ACVP Meeting will be held in Nashville, December 3-7, 2011.

The ESVP Board had its meeting in Leon, Spain, end of February 2011, with special emphasis on the ESVP/ECVP annual meeting 2012, which will take place in Leon.

The Secretary reported on the bursary applications and evaluation for the Summer School 2011 and the Uppsala meeting (see item 8).

## **5. Hon. Treasurer's report**

The Honorary Treasurer, Jakob Walter, presented the financial situation and the balance of the ESVP.

The Society account on July 31 2011 is 117'645,72 € (compared to 113'905.28 € in the previous year ).

Income in the period Aug 1 2010 to July 31 2011 was 46'473,86 €.  
Expenditure in the same period was 46.473,86 €.

The Auditors Report was presented and approved, and the diligent work of the Honorary treasurer was acknowledged and approved by acclamation.

The Honorary Treasure's report presented at the AGM would be available available on the website.

## **6. Scientific Committee**

Frederico Valenza (Chair) gave his report on the activity of the 2011 Scientific committee.

The Committee comprised Federico Valenza (Chair), Sean Callanan, Rod Else, , Juan Francisco Garcia Marin, Carl Hård af Segersted as Chair of the organizing of this Congress in Uppsala, Milijan Jovanovic, Lluís Lujan, and Eric Jacquinet.

As written in the terms of reference for the Scientific committee, the committee had to decide on the acceptability of registration fees proposed by the Local Organizing Committee and the acceptability of general conference arrangements including the balance of scientific and social programmes.

The committee was acknowledged for their successful work.

## **7. Journal of Comparative Pathology Educational Trust**

Rod Else reports on this item. Six travel awards (500 GBP each) awarded by the Journal of Comparative Pathology Educational Trust were presented. The Journal has also awarded funds for the annual Plenary Lecture on Veterinary pathology, together with a commemorative medal, to Dr. Massimo Palmarini. Dr. Palmarini gave his lecture at the Uppsala Meeting.

## 8. ESVP Bursaries 2011

27 bursary requests had been submitted. The following 15 people were selected by the Board (300 € each):

<b>Dolka</b>	<b>Izabelle</b>	Warsaw	Poland
<b>Sihvo</b>	<b>Hanna-Kaisa</b>	Helsinki	Finland
<b>Simola</b>	<b>Outy</b>	Helsinki	Finland
<b>Keller</b>	<b>Stefan</b>	Davis	USA
<b>Taulescu</b>	<b>Marian</b>	Cluj-Napoca	Romania
<b>Rodriguez-Gomez</b>	<b>Irene</b>	Cordoba	Spain
<b>Pompei-Florin</b>	<b>Bolfa</b>	Cluj-Napoca	Romania
<b>Guil-Luna</b>	<b>Silvia</b>	Cordoba	Spain
<b>Davila Montero</b>	<b>Urso-Martin</b>	Cordoba	Spain
<b>Maniscalco</b>	<b>Lorella</b>	Torino	Italy
<b>Babinska</b>	<b>Izabella</b>	Olztyn	Poland
<b>Malatesta</b>	<b>Daniela</b>	Teramo	Italy
<b>Sabattini</b>	<b>Silvia</b>	Bologna	Italy
<b>Grau Roma</b>	<b>Llorenc</b>	Barcelona	Spain
<b>Szweda</b>	<b>Magdalena</b>	Olsztyn	Poland

## 9. ESVP constitution

### 9.a. Final decision

The Hon. Secretary gave a short introduction and summary on the new Constitution, which had been approved once already at the AGM 2010 in Belgrade. It needs to be confirmed at this AGM by at least two thirds of the delegates present.

•No further discussion was required, and the New Constitution was accepted unanimously.

### 9.b. Modification of article 1

The Hon. Secretary explained the need to modify article 1 of the New Constitution. The Board proposed omitting the last part of the first sentence: *which was founded in September 1995, under the former name of the „European Association of Veterinary Pathology“.*

The new version would then be:

#### • **Article 1: Name and objectives**

*The European Society of Veterinary Pathology (ESVP) is a non-profit organization. Its goal is to improve and encourage scientific research and education of*

*Veterinarians and other Biomedical Scientists working in the field of Veterinary Pathology throughout Europe.*

This modification was suggested by a lawyer in order to prevent problems with the legal situation of the Society.

The changes were accepted unanimously.

## **10. E-learning project SVAP**

Andreas Pospischil gives a short update on the SVAP Board Trainer, accessible for ESVP members under [www.animalpatho.org](http://www.animalpatho.org).

A major update on the software became necessary in order to improve the uploading of images. All histological slides from the summer schools 2009 and 2010 (total of 107) were scanned and transferred to the image server. As the associated text is prepared and corrected, these are then uploaded and linked on the Board Trainer. Currently, 189 histological slides and 170 macro images are on the website for student training. In the past year, 66 new histological and 50 macro cases were added to the site.

## **11. Election of new Board members**

The president took over for this item:

Two Councillors were at their end of terms of office:

- Josef Szarek
- Antti Sukura

As new councillors the following delegates were proposed and unanimously accepted:

- Sanja Aleksic-Kovacevic (Belgrade)  
Carl Hard af Segerstad (Uppsala)

## **12. Election of a New President**

- Cinzia Benazzi has successfully completed her term of office and would act as Past Presidents for the next two years.
- Rod Else was nominated as new President by the Board. No other nominations were received. Rod Else was therefore elected unanimously by the AGM for the next term of office. He was welcomed by acclamation.

### **13. Future Meetings**

The following list was presented and discussed:

- 2012: Leon, Spain
- 2013: Venice, Italy
- 2014: ? UK
- 2015: Helsinki, Finland
- 2016: Berlin, Germany ?

From the audience, Maja Suter proposed that there should be future joint meetings with ESTP on a regular basis. There was general agreement and mutual interest for this.

*Addendum: After the AGM, discussions with the ESTP President and with potential local organizers lead to a revision of the list:*

- *2012: Leon, Spain*
- *2013: London, UK*
- *2014: Berlin, Germany (joint meeting with ESTP)*
- *2015: Helsinki, Finland*
- *2016: ?*

### **14. Any other business**

- As in previous years, a small committee to decide the awards for the best poster at the Annual Meeting had been convened. Four prizes (300 euros each) were awarded and were presented at the Conference Dinner.
- Andreas Pospischil proposed dedicating the next Meeting to Prof. Franco Guarda, who initiated the ESVP in 1995 and who will celebrate his 80<sup>th</sup>

birthday in 2012. The AGM supports this proposal.

- The Hon. Secretary expressed acknowledgements to the leaving Board Members and to Cinzia Benazzi for her excellent work as President of the last two years.
- Dr. Juan Francisco Garcia Marin gave a short presentation on the next Conference and cordially invited the audience to the 30th ESVP/ECVP Meeting 2012 in Leon, Spain (see the information at: <http://www.esvp.eu/>).

The Meeting closed at 5.30p.m.

The Hon. Secretary

Prof. Felix Ehrensprger

The President

Prof. Cinzia Benazzi