European Society of Veterinary Pathology Annual General Meeting

Friday 4th September 2020, 17.00 CEST

Held via Zoom

Members present: Achim Gruber, Agnieszka A. Karol, Alius

Pockevičius, Andrea Gröne, Andrea Gudan Kurilj, Andreas Pospischil, Anna Maria Giusti, Annabelle Heier, Annalisa Forlani, Antonia Morey Matamalas, Barbara Brunetti, Benedetta Passeri, Bérengère Dequéant, Berit Baum, Carine Kolly, Carl Hård af Segerstad, Charlotte Boyer, Christina Puff, Cinzia Benazzi, Daniel Roth, Darko Marinković, Diego Caliari, Elena Riccardi, Elisabeth Liebler-Tenorio, , Enrico Bollo, Enrico Radaelli, Eva Dervas, Federico Armando, Franco Guscetti, Franco Mutinelli, Gabrita De Zan, Gail Leeming, Giancarlo Avallone, Gianfranco Militerno, Giovanni Burrai, Giuseppe Sarli, Guido Rocchigiani, Guillermo Valdivia, Hayley Crosby-Durrani, Herbert Weissenböck, Ingo Gerhauser, Isabel Casanova, Ivana Vucicevic, Ivan-Conrado Šoštarić-Zuckermann, Jérôme Abadie, Jéssica Molí, Judith van den Brand, Kristin Brandes, Laëtitia Dorso, Laura Nordio, Laura Peña, Lidija Medven Zagradišnik, Lluís Luján, Luciana Mandrioli, Luisa Vera Muscatello, Marco Rondena, Maria dos Anjos Pires, Marie-Odile Benoit-Biancamano, Mariusz Z. Felsmann, Martina Croci, Matthias Rinke, Michela Levi, Milan Aničić, Monika Hilbe, Monika Welle, Nerea Cuesta Garcia, Pedro Faísca, Polona Juntes, Pompei Bolfa, Raluca Ioana Rizac, Reinie Dijkman, Richard Blundell, Richard Ducatelle, Sanja Aleksic Kovacevic, Sara Belluco, Sladjan Nesic, Stefania Gasparini, Stéphanie Muller, Valentina Zappulli, Valeria Pellegrino, Veera Karkamo, Verena Affolter, Vladimir Kukolj, Wolfgang Baumgärtner

Minutes

- 1. Wolfgang Baumgärtner, President welcomed the members to the first online AGM of the ESVP.
- 2. Apologies for absence; none were received
- 3. One-minute silence for was held for all ESVP members who have deceased since 2019; in particular, Prof. Michael Day and Prof. Milijana Knezevic.
- 4. The minutes from 2019 AGM in Arnhem were accepted as an accurate record by the members present.
- 5. President's report; Wolfgang Baumgärtner
 - The society's website has been completely refreshed, to improve use by members, including payment of membership fees by credit card online.
 - The 2016 Cutting Edge Pathology meeting in Lyon created a surplus, which has been transferred to an account held by ESVP and ECVP jointly, which will be used to enhance future meetings and also as security for any losses made by the congresses.
 - The board held face to face meeting in Arnhem and in berlin in March 2020, as well as monthly teleconferences. These meetings were used to communicate between the ESVP, ECVP and ESTP regarding congresses and other matters of joint interest. This included the appointment of a professional congress organiser (PCO), to assist the local organisers with some aspects of the congress organisation. Pauwels, based in Maastricht, have been appointed and will be the PCO in Lisbon (2023) and for Cutting Edge Pathology on Madrid in 2024.

- Current Board members: Wolfgang Baumgärtner (President), Carl Hård af Segerstad (Honorary Treasurer), Jérôme Abadie (Chair of Scientific cmte), Polona Juntes (liaison for congress organisers), Sanja Aleksić-Kovačević (Editor in chief of newsletter), Achim Gruber (liaison to DTF, member of Scientific cmte), Gail Leeming (Honorary Secretary), Lluís Luján (website coordinator, and congress prize cmte chair), Reinie Dijkman (Treasurer elect). Some o the board members are standing for re-election this year, and there are also vacancies for new members, as announced previously.
- 6. Honorary Secretary's report; Gail Leeming
 - Prepare minutes of the board meetings; collate new membership applications.
 - Since 2019 AGM, 17 people have applied for membership of the Society: Giulia Scarin University of Nottingham, Kian Guerzoni University of Nottingham, Mark Delany University of Utrecht, Tanja Thiele University of Zurich, Sílvia Poch Casado Uranovet, Hanna-Maaria Javela University of Helsinki, Minna Söderström University of Helsinki, Arda Selin Tunç Ankara University, Giovanni Pietro Burrai University of Sassari, Andrea Cappelleri University of Milan, Peter Richards-Rios University of Liverpool, Janina Müller Justus-Liebig-Universität, Gießen, Rachel Thomas Dutch Molecular Pathology Centre, Raul Armando Resendiz Pozos Universidad de Zaragoza, Leonie Herkommer Justus-Liebig-Universität, Gießen, Estefania Montero University CEU-Cardenal Herrera, Oliver Greville-Heygate University of Cambridge.
 - The members present voted in favour (74 in favour, 3 abstained) of approving the applications and these new members are welcomed to the Society.
 - On the website, can apply for membership, use the members' only page, e.g. to update
 your personal details, access AGM minutes, previous newsletters etc. Please can all
 members ensure their contact details, and in particular their email addresses, are up to
 date.
- 7. Honorary Treasurer's report; Carl Hård af Segerstad and Reinie Nečas-Niessner-Dijkman
 - 2019 figures (CH): Income € 17612.50; expenditure €18585.31 (more detail provided in PowerPoint presentation) making balance for 2019 –€972.81.
 - Bank balance at 31 December 2019 €42008.49
 - 2019 accounts have been audited by Dr. Verena Haist and Dr. Ingo Gerhauser; this was accepted by the members present (79 members voted for; 1 abstained). Dr. Haist and Dr. Gerhauser agreed to audit the accounts in 2020. Thank you.
 - 2020 figures (RD): Total income (to today) €10500.00; total expenses €10520.00 31 (more detail provided in PowerPoint presentation). Bank balance at 28 August 2020 ~€44000.
 - New credit card system means that members can pay directly online and also it costs the society less than the previous system.
 - Currently the Society has 477 paying members (i.e. excluding retired or honorary members); currently 186 are up to date with membership fees, 291 have outstanding membership fees.
- 8. Report of the Scientific committee; Jérôme Abadie
 - Current membership (for 2021 congress): Jérôme Abadie (chair) and Achim Gruber (ESVP);
 Anja Kipar and Laura Peña (ECVP); Enrico Bollo (Local Organising Committee [LOC]). Non-reviewing/voting members: Andrea Gröne (2019 LOC), Nikos Papaioannou (2022 LOC),
 Pedro Faisca (2023 LOC)
 - SC are discussing the programme for the 2021 meeting in Torino; plan to include the Residents' day which was included in the programme in Arnhem for the first time. A varied programme is planned, and suggestions are very welcome; a "suggestion box" on the ESVP

- website will be available soon; alternatively members can contact Jerome, or the secretary by email.
- SC also plans to host Educational webinars, in collaboration with ESTP/BSTP/SFTP and ECVP/ESVP in 2020-21, while face to face meetings are not possible.
- 9. Election of board members:
 - Election of President-elect: Jérôme Abadie (proposed by Wolfgang Baumgärtner, seconded by Gail Leeming); For = 75; Against = 4; Abstained = 3
 - Election of Councillor: Ivana Vučićević (proposed by Sanja Aleksić-Kovačević, seconded by Polona Juntes); For = 75; Against = 3; Abstained = 4
 - Election of Councillor: Elena Riccardi (proposed by Jenny McKay, seconded by Giancarlo Avallone); For = 74; Against = 0; Abstained = 8
 - Re-election of Honorary Secretary: Gail Leeming; For = 81; Against = 0; Abstained = 1
 - Re-election of Councillor: Achim Gruber; For = 73; Against = 4; Abstained = 5
 - Re-election of Councillor: Lluís Luján; For = 78; Against = 0; Abstained = 4

Many thanks to Carl Hård af Segerstad, who is stepping down as Honorary treasurer, but will remain on the board as Past President for a further year. And also to Sanja Aleksić-Kovačević, who has been a councillor on the board for the full three terms (9 years); happily, Sanja has agreed to remain our Newsletter Editor.

10. Newsletter; Sanja Aleksić-Kovačević

Sanja would like to invite any members who would like to contribute to the newsletter either as authors or as editors, please contact her: skovacevic@vet.bg.ac.rs Subject: ESVPnewsletter

11. Future congresses: thank you to all local organisers who have agreed to postpone their meetings by 12 months, so the future meetings will be as follows:

2021 Torino; Cutting Edge

2022 Athens

2023 Lisbon

2024 Madrid; Cutting Edge

If any members are interested in organising meetings beyond these dates, please get in touch.

12. Any other business

Andreas Pospischil: 2021 is the 70th anniversary of the founding of the German society, which became the ESVP. Andreas and Walter Hermann are collating historical information and would be very grateful if members could provide any documents or information, in particular from the period 1960-1982.

Enrico Bollo presented information regarding the plans for the 2021 Cutting Edge Pathology meeting in Torino.