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General Assembly of the European Paediatric Association Union of National Paediatric Societies and Associations

Thursday, 8th June 2017 - from 12.15 to 14.15 hrs

Venue: Bucharest - Romanian Parliament palace

MINUTES

1. Call to order

26 members were present. The quorum is satisfied.

2. Approval of Agenda: No objection

3. Introductory remarks are done by Leila Namazova. Massimo Pettoello-Mantovani gave an introductory speech in Gerhard Gaedicke's memory.

4. Treasurer's report

The treasurer Andreas Gerber-Grotte gave the following information on the financial status:

* Tax-exempt status for 2013-2015 was granted by the German Tax Office earlier this year

* In 2019 the application has to be renewed to keep tax-exempt status for 2016-2018

* Income 2016 (EUR): 70,400

* Expenses 2016 (EUR): 77,000

The activities of the treasurer are following the rules of the German Court of Registries (GCR) and of the GTO. All activities must be laid open annually to the GA of EPA and to the GTO in Berlin as it was already done in previous years.

Two members of the GA, Tudor Pop (Romania) and Raymond Barry (Ireland) controlled and approved the financial documents.

The GA accepted unanimously the financial report.

5. Report on the past 12 months of EPA/UNEPSA activities including the development of the 8th Europaediatrics 2017.

M Vural presented a brief summary of the past year activities including the

- preparation of the congress,
- Scientific publications in different journals
- President's activities for developing the relations with IPA, WHO, UNICEF

- Creation and activities of young paediatrician association, EURYPAs,
- Coming congress venue Dublin, and candidature of Zagreb

6. Report on the scientific programme of the 8th Europaediatrics 2017

B Koletzko presented the Europaediatrics 2017 in numbers:

- participants to Europaediatrics: 1825
- Number of International speakers and chairs to Europaediatrics: 111
- Number of Romanian speakers and chairs to Europaediatrics: 32
- Total number of sponsors: 42
- Total number of sponsored sessions: 14
- Number of abstracts accepted: 396

H Hoey did a presentation on the coming Europaediatrics 2019 in Dublin. She talked on the organizational plan, possible PCO and attractive points about Dublin and the congress centre.

7. Report on the EPA/UNEPSA editorial activity during the past 2 years, and looking at the future goals.

Massimo Pettoello-Mantovani talked on the ongoing and future editorial projects. He underlined the wish of strengthening relations with member societies by publishing some documents on EPA/UNEPSA in national journals.

Neena Modi insisted on the importance of cooperation between EPA/UNEPSA and EAP. Massimo Pettoello-Mantovani mentioned that this cooperation existed under the name of “Strategic Pediatric Alliance”, and even some publications are accomplished and he named these papers.

8. A. Gerber-Grote reported on EPA/UNEPSA project to further developing the research on Public Health and expanding its activities in the area of eHealth.

9. M. Pettoello-Mantovani and E. Somekh reported on EPA-UNEPSA scientific projects. They asked the help of national presidents. They underlined the achievements and the last situation on surveys of renal care, paediatric surgery and night shifts

Neena Modi underlined the importance of a road map that should be developed in Europe concerning the work force, scientific research, advocacy and lobbying.

PA Michaud, underlined the importance of the training given to paediatricians on Adolescent health in Europe. He mentioned about the questionnaire exploring how paediatricians are trained on Adolescent health and asked the help of EPA/UNEPSA.

10. L. Namazova-Baranova reported on the relations with the International Organizations: AAP, WHO and IPA.

12. J. Mestrovic gave an update on EPA Newsletter and asked presidents to publish short Annual Reports of National Societies in the NL.

13. M. Pettoello-Mantovani & E. Somekh underlined the importance of and the role of national “Ambassadors” (approved by the national societies), facilitating EPA/UNEPSA in its relations with the local Paediatric societies.

14. E. Erfidan from EURYPAs, presented the young paediatricians association, their activities and stated they are enthusiast to continue to participate to coming Europaediatrics.

15. Kosovo's application for the full membership has been discussed. The council did not suggest to approve a full membership, however, due to the aims of EPA to provide support and advocacy to all children and paediatricians in Europe, the council proposed in accordance with EPA constitution the "affiliated membership" of Kosovo. The General Assembly of EPA/UNEPSA voted in favor to the proposal of the Council and Kosovo received the status of affiliated member of EPA/UNEPSA.

M Vural, Secretary General

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M Vural', written over a vertical line that serves as a baseline for the signature.

L. Namazova, President