



EFUMB

EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF SOCIETIES FOR ULTRASOUND IN MEDICINE AND BIOLOGY

MINUTES BOARD OF DELEGATES' MEETING 27th EUROSON 2015 Athens Hilton Hotel, Greece Thursday 5 November 2015 15.00 – 18.00

Present:	Christoph F Dietrich	President EFSUMB	Germany	CFD
	Odd Helge Gilja	President Elect	Norway	OHG
	Fabio Piscaglia	Past President	Italy	FP
	Hans-Rudolf Schwarzenbach	Honorary Secretary	Switzerland	HRS
	Paul Sidhu	Delegate for Switzerland		
	Gebhard Mathis for Andreas Klauser	Honorary Treasurer	UK	PS
	Rumiana Mitova	Delegate for UK Society		
	Boris Brkljacic	Delegate Austrian Society	Austria	GM
	Frantisek Zatura	Delegate Bulgarian Society	Bulgaria	RM
	Torben Lorentzen	Delegate Croatian Society	Croatia	BB
	Carmen Garre Sanchez	Delegate Czech Society	Czech Republic	FZ
	Nikolas Papantoniou	Delegate Danish Society	Denmark	TL
	Matthias Wuestner	Delegate Spanish Society	Spain	
	Liat Appelbaum	Delegate Greek Society	Greece	CGS
	Francesco Drudi for Marcello Romano	Delegate German Society	Germany	NP
	Maija Radzina	Delegate Israeli Society	Israel	MW
	Chris de Korte	Delegate Italian Society	Italy	LA
	Thomas Reiher	Delegate Latvian Society		FD
	Wojciech Kosiak	Delegate Dutch Society	Netherlands	MR
	Jana Slobodnikova for J Benaka	Delegate Norwegian Society	Norway	CdK
	Adnan Kabaalioglu	Delegate Polish Society	Poland	TR
	Paul Sidhu	Delegate for Slovak Society	Slovak Republic	WK
	Michael Bachmann Nielsen	Delegate Turkish Society	Turkey	JS
	Vito Cantisani	Delegate UK Society	United Kingdom	IM
Inattendance	Eugenio Cerezo	Chairman Publication Committee/Editor EJU	Denmark	PS
	Muge Arbak	Chairman EPSC	Italy	MBN
	Roald F Havre	FESUMB	Spain	VC
		DEKON PCO	Turkey	EC
			Norway	MA
				RFH
	Lynne Rudd	General Secretary		LR

Apologies were received from Gyorgy Szekely (Hungary), Vladimir Mitkov (Russia), Sergiu Puiu (Moldova) and Dan A. Stanescu (Romania)



1 Welcome by the President and Approval and Signature of Minutes of the previous meeting (Christoph F Dietrich)

The President welcomed the delegates and the minutes of the Board of Delegates' Meeting held in Stuttgart, Germany on 11 October 2013 were agreed as accurate and signed by the President.

President's Report

The President had written his report, which had been circulated earlier.

2. Honorary Secretary's Report

The written report was presented to the Board. The Hon Secretary emphasised the importance of the EFSUMB corporate identity.

3. Honorary Treasurer's Report

FP presented the Hon Treasurer's Report, which showed EFSUMB's finances are stable. The 2016 budget was presented for approval, which shows that EFSUMB may need to dip into reserves. The intention is to move some euro into an interest bearing account to generate more income. The Delegates were reminded that EFSUMB is not entirely dependent on income from membership fees but also from Euroson Schools, Endorsed Courses and from Industry support for Guidelines. The financial stability is projected to continue. The audited accounts were approved. CFD mentioned the Case of the Month, edited by Paul Sidhu for which he was thanked. It is the most viewed item on the EFSUMB website and all cases have been translated into Chinese but are also available in other languages. Case contributions from NS were invited.

4. Committee Reports

ECMUS Committee Report

The Board had been presented with a written report by the Chairman Gail terHaar. Literature and safety related reviews are on the website and once a year they review clinical safety statements.

EPSC Committee Report

The Chairman Vito Cantisanireported on the 27 Endorsed Courses held in 2015 and talked of the future CEUS Schools in 2016. A video recording of the Verona CEUS School is available online and EFSUMB is holding the first of a series of webinars in December. The TFG proposal on student ultrasound education will soon be published.

Publications Committee Report

Chairman Michael Bachmann Nielsen summarised his written report and referred to the website improvements such as mobile viewing and Facebook page.

EJU Report

MBN explained thatthe increased impact factor (IF) of 4.924 is partly due to the guidelines. This makes the EJU the second most successful Thieme journal. He reported that Karlheinz Seitz is retiring in July 2016 and will be replaced by DeikeStrobel.The journal has received 362 articles on 2015 and is publishing about 60 – 70 each year with a rejection rate of 80% and with an improved turnaround of an average of 41 days. Germany is still the main contributor but China and Korea follow closely. Few submissions are received in German. The delegates were invited to review manuscripts.

The Open Access journal, with some EFSUMB editors, was published for the first time in July and the next issue will follow in November and contains some of thebest rejected papers from the EJU. Thieme will apply to Pubmed Central (PMC) and will probably have an IF soon. In response to CdK, MBN explained the OA journal is free to read but not publish which is a Thieme decision. CFD mentioned that an EFSUMB journal is something to consider and thanked MBN for his EFSUMB and Editor commitment and hard work.

EFSUMB Newsletter Report



Adrian Saftoiu had submitted a written report.

5. Bylaw 1 Congresses

CFD explained that some NS could not pass any profit from a EUROSON Congress to EFSUMB and for this reason the BoD approved the bylaw change to create a 2,500 euro fee to organise this event. The Board voted unanimously to accept this change.

6. Bylaw 7 Euroson Schools

The increase in the fee to host a Euroson School from 200 to 300 euro was unanimously accepted. The requirement to submit a budget was deleted as unnecessary in these circumstances.

7. Bylaw 11 Endorsed Courses

The increase in the fee from 100 to 150 euro was unanimously accepted.

8. Bylaw 12ULCs

A deletion of the sentence requiring official written permission from the relevant institution was unanimously agreed.

9. Bylaw 13 Fellowship of EFSUMB

The bylaw had been circulated as an intermediate honour for those who have made a significant contribution to ultrasound. HRS had proposed Jan Tuma, which had been supported by Norway. This was approved by the BoD, with 2 delegates abstaining. All NSs will be invited before the next meeting to nominate one person from each country for the Board to consider but with a limit of 4 Fellows to be elected at each meeting.

10. EFSUMB data registry

CFD introduced the platform to initiate and perform data analysis. The paediatric registry has applied for ethical committee approval even though this is not required for anonymous data but is a requirement for some participating institutions. The paediatric registry is looking at safety indications and CEUS resolved questions and is more relevant now that the FDA may approve Sonovue next year for adults. CEUS is used in paediatrics off label and the registry is open to everybody. With more than 10 patients data the submitter will be an author and acknowledged for less than 10 patients submitted.

11. EFSUMB website resources

PS as BMUS delegate felt that the EFSUMB website was so good that their NS was losing members who felt these educational resources are available without having to join the Society. He proposed an area limited to EFSUMB members. CFD suggested this discussion be deferred to the planned strategy meeting in 2016, which will define the economic reasons to make this change.

12. CONGRESSES

EUROSON 2015 update

At the time of the BoD meeting there were 716 registrants from 54 countries with more Greek onsite registrations anticipated. Exhibitors number 16, there are 144 posters and 339 speakers. OHG thanks NP for his organisation in the face of serious economic and political challenges.

EUROSON 2016 Lecturer nominations

The Board voted for Vito Cantisani to give the EUROSON 2016 lecture entitled 'US Elastography for superficial organs: How, when, why'. Each NS is requested to submit only one nomination for this lecture.

EUROSON 2016 Leipzig, Germany

The organisers have requested lectures in addition to the named lectures, YIA and joint Committee session (on Student Education). The ExB suggest 5 topics for which NSs are invited to submit lecturers with titles to be received by mid December; Interventional US (INVUS), Intestinal US (IUS), Elastography, Update on CEUS non-liver guidelines and LI-RADS.



EUROSON 2017 Antalya, Turkey

AK and MugeArbak presented an update on this Congress to be held in Antalya with the advantage of free meeting rooms, savings on meals and transport and being a charter flight destination with direct flights from many cities. The Maritime Hotel offers 23 rooms and can cater for 5500 delegates. AK will think about how to attract medical students to this meeting, enabling the first EFSUMB student congress to be established.

LA advised that the date of 21 – 24 September clashes with Jewish New Year and the organisers will contact the venue to see if the meeting could start a day later to take this into account.

EUROSON 2018 Bid presentations

The bids were presented by WK for Poznan, Poland and Eva Garde from TilesaKenes Spain for Granada, Spain. WK pointed out that Poland had avoided recession and has a strong Society with around 600 – 1100 participants at a national Congress. Poznan is three hours from Berlin and Warsaw with direct connections and a large Congress venue in the city centre.

Eva Garde remarked on the Madrid organisation for over 900 participants. Grenada is the first destination for tourists but cheaper than other cities. An economical balance would be anticipated.

A majority of 14 voted in favour of Poznan, Poland for EUROSON 2018 and 8 in favour of Grenada, Spain.

WFUMB 2021

The Board were advised that WFUMB require nominations from the federations by September 2016 so that a vote from the BoD would be required by email. OHG suggested that Grenada, Spain could be an option for WFUMB 2021.

13. WFUMBReport from EFSUMB Administrative Councillor to WFUMB

CFD submitted a written summary of WFUMB's activities

14. Application for membership

Sweden has reformed their national association and submitted their new constitution and board to EFSUMB for readmission into EFSUMB. This was unanimously approved by the BoD.

15. Any other Business

Student organisations exist in many countries and should be contacted to join any proposed EFSUMB Student Committee. The National delegates are encouraged to propose student candidates for a first interim student board in EFSUMB, that hopefully can start working second half of 2016. A bylaw governing such a committee will be presented at EUROSON 2016 where it is hoped this new Committee will meet. OHG extended great appreciations and thanks to FP and CFD for their tremendous scientific and educational work in EFSUMB.

16. Date and place of next meeting

TBA EUROSON 2016Leipzig, Germany 26 – 29 October