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Minutes of UEMS section of Clinical Genetics annual meeting



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Date: May 27, 2017			Protocol No 2/2017
Place: Bella Center, room 18-19 Copenhagen			
Attendees: Jorge Pinto Basto, Portugal Jens Michael Hertz, Denmark Birgitte Diness, Denmark Guus Lachmeijer, The Netherlands Yvonne ARENS, The Netherlands Artur Beke, Hungary Dunja NIEDERIST, Switzerland Hannele Koillinen, Finland * Sirpa Kivirikko, Finland * Ute Moog, German * Hanno Boltz, German * Borut Peterlin, Slovenia Karin Writzl, Slovenia Beata <i>on behalf of</i> Olga Haus, Poland Serdar Ceylaner, Turkey * Hülya Kayserili, Turkey * Alain Verloes, France * Feliciano Ramos, Spain Peter Turpenny, UK Ulf Kristofferson, Sweden Kristiina Aittomäki, Finland Helen Kingston, UK			

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Alessandra Renieri, Italy Bela Melegh, Hungary Andre Reis, Germany Isabella Borg, Malta * new attendees (not present in the list received by Lise Carratela EU Policy and Administrative Officer on March 2017)				
	Point to discuss	Discussion	Decisions	Reference person
1	Opening of the meeting by Bela Melegh	Meeting is open at 9:00. Birgitte Diness and Jens Michael Hertz welcome delegates in Copenhagen	Birgitte Diness and Jens Michael Hertz with the support of the Danish Medical Association, are going to offer to all delegates on MONDAY May 29th a canal tour and lunch at Nyhavn as “team building”	Birgitte: departure Monday at 10.05 from the main entrance Bella Center
2	Introduction and welcome of new representatives	According to UEMS Statutes article X.2 and UEMS rules of Procedure article VI.3 : “Each Section includes as members two specialist doctors: - as representatives of each of the member countries of UEMS; - in active practice in the relevant specialty or involved in negotiating on behalf of medical specialists; (...) - approved by their national professional Organisation, their nominations having been agreed by the national Organisation	Sirpa Kivirikko is regularly appointed as Finnish delegate; Ute Moog German is officially nominated; Hanno Bolz German is officially nominated; for Alain Verlos official nomination is still missing	Alessandra

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	<p>representing specialist doctors of that country within the UEMS Council. The latter national organisation gives its formal approval and advises the Secretary General of the UEMS by official letter”.</p> <p><i>Nomination & Approval.</i> a colleague willing to be a delegate to the UEMS Section, MJC or another UEMS body first has to be NOMINATED by either his country UEMS National Medical Association (UEMS NMA - an association that represents specialist of that country in the UEMS as a Full Member or an Associate Member or an Observer) or his country Scientific Society or another organization of medical specialists in his country. Then the nomination has to be APPROVED by the UEMS NMA in his country.</p> <p>When the UEMS NMA sends to the UEMS Secretary-General information that a colleague had been APPROVED, she/he is appointed and becomes the delegate.</p> <p>The UEMS NMA and the organization that nominated a delegate agree between them how the contribution to the UEMS body and costs of the delegate’s work in the UEMS body will be paid.</p> <p>Article VI.3.A (RoP) specifies the</p>		
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		<p>nomination procedure “Each organisation sends in writing to the Secretary General the name of the doctor mandated to participate in the works of committees and working groups set up by the Council according to the way agreed in plenary assembly.” In addition, “Each UEMS NMA has a duty to send to the SG and the UEMS office a list of nominated delegates to the Sections and the UEMS office has to administrate the list of all nominated delegates. “</p> <p>UEMS delegates must be approved by their UEMS NMAs but they don’t have to be necessarily members of that UEMS NMA. In other words, there is no requirement to be a UEMS NMA member in order to be approved as a delegate.</p>		
3	The 2016 annual report	Bela presents the annual report (attachment 1)	Unanimously approved	Bela
4	Finances	Helen reports on finances. Bank imbalance at December 2016 was 14.701 Euros. Helen proposes the same contribution for 2017 e.g.: 800 for Germany, 600 for UK, Italy etc., 400 for Austria, Sweden, Greece etc. (attachment 2)	Already approved by the Board. Delegates have no comments. No concern on Country contribution.	Helen
5	Election of new Secretary, Treasurer and new Board members	There is a need to elect new Secretary (Kristiina Aittomäki stepped down in December), Treasurer (Helen Kingston declares the willing to step down) and new Board members (Andre	The following members are elected in the board: 1) <i>Hannele Koillinen</i> from Finland	Alessandra

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		Reis and Milan Macek have declared to step down as Board Members)	<p>2) <i>Birgitte Diness</i> from Denmark</p> <p>3) <i>Asbjørg Stray-Pedersen</i> from Norway</p> <p>4) <i>Ute Moog</i> from Germany</p> <p>5) <i>Guus Lachmeijer</i> from The Netherlands. <i>Artur Bake</i> is elected as Treasurer. <i>Alessandra Renieri</i> as secretary.</p>	
6	Presentation of ETR and Syllabus	Bela presents the ETR (attachment 3) and Syllabus (attachment 4)	No comment	
7	Launch of European Examination for Clinical Genetics	Bela comments on the relevance to have a European Examination as prepared by the CESMA group (Feliciano is the board delegate in this organism). The UEMS general assembly represents 1.6 million specialists from 37 Nations. See structure of UEMS (attached 5). Potential partners for the examination: ESHG?; EBMG? European Academy of Medical Genetics? Ulf : we need people working on examination assessment. Serdar and Hülya : are willing to contribute to prepare the examination. Guus : we need to prepare our colleagues. Peter : this is a normally knowledge exam that is only a part of an accreditation	Possible schedule for the first examination is Milan 2018.	Bela Ulf Serdar and Hülya

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		system.		
8	European Reference Networks	Bela highlights the importance to establish a tight relationship between UEMS clinical genetics section and European Reference Networks (ERN)		Bela
9	MJC-RUD activity	Multidisciplinary Joint Committee on Rare Undiagnosed Diseases is working. A first meeting was held in Brussels in October 2016 and a second Vilnius in March		Bela
10	AOB	Helen Fryssira as the Greek representative of Clinical Genetics has sent a letter to inform that on the 6th of June 2017, Clinical Genetics will be finally officially recognized in Greece.		-
12	Closing meeting	Meeting is closed at 11,00		Bela

Minutes taken by: Alessandra Renieri