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Minutes from the General Assembly of the European Society of Pathology. Wednesday, 4 September 2013, from 12.00 to 13.00 hrs. Lisbon Convention Centre, Lisbon, Portugal.

Agenda.

- 1. Welcome.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda.
- 3. Approval of the Minutes from the General Assembly in Prague, 12 September 2012.
- 4. Presentation of the new Statutes and Bylaws of the ESP and signing of a global proxy by members approving the new Statutes.
- 5. Report of the President.
- 6. Report of the Treasurer.
- 7. Report of the chairman of the Advisory Council.
- 8. Report of the chairman of the Working Group chairs.
- 9. Report of the chairman of the Education Committee.
- 10. Report of the Editor-in-chief of Virchows Archiv.
- 11. Election of new Officers and new members of the Executive Committee.
- 12. Approval of honorary membership to prof. Fred Bosman.
- 13. Progress report of the 25th European Congress of Pathology in Lisbon in 2013.

- 14. Progress report of the 26th European Congress of Pathology in London in 2014.
- 15. Progress report of the 27th European Congress of Pathology in Belgrade in 2015.
- 16. Approval of the sites of future European Congresses of Pathology: The XXXI IAP/28th ECP congress in Cologne 2016.
 The 29th European Congress of Pathology in Amsterdam 2017.
 The 30th European Congress of Pathology in Bilbao 2018.
- 17. Any other items.
- 18. Place and date of the next General Assembly of the ESP.

Minutes from the Meeting.

1. Welcome.

President Fatima Carneiro welcomed the participants. Approximately 170 participants were present in the General Assembly.

- 2. Approval of the Agenda. The agenda was approved.
- 3. Approval of the Minutes from the General Assembly in Prague,12 September 2012.The minutes were approved.
- 4. Presentation of the new Statutes and Bylaws of the ESP and signing of a global proxy by members approving the new Statutes.

 The President introduced the project of making changes in the present Statutes and Bylaws of the society, and reviewed the rules and legal aspects of changing the Statutes. The proposed new statutes and bylaws have been displayed at the ESP website for the past three months and members have been informed by emails. The new statutes and bylaws were approved unanimously. In order to register the new Statutes with a Belgian notary, collecting of proxies from the members will be carried out.
- 5. Report of the President.

 The President has published her report in the ESP Newsletter.
- 6. Report of the Treasurer.

 The report of prof. Marco Santucci has been published in the Newsletter.
- 7. Report of the chairman of the Advisory Council.

 Prof. Fred Bosman presented the report of the chairman of the Advisory Council.

- 8. Report of the chairman of the Working Group chairs.

 Prof. Michael Wells presented the report of the chairman of the Working Group chairs. Working Groups participate in planning of the scientific programme of the London congress, and they are collaborating with ESMO and contributing in Virchows Archiv.
- 9. Report of the chairman of the Education Committee.

 Prof. Helmut Popper gave a brief introduction to the new education portal. A competition will be announced for naming the portal. The website of the portal has been opened and features already some e-learning applications. More educational materials will be added.
- Report of the Editor-in-chief of Virchows Archiv.
 Prof. Fred Bosman reported on his activities in modernising the journal. The number of submissions is increasing, there is a new review policy, and the impact factor is rising slowly.
- 11. Election of new Officers and new members of the Executive Committee. The Secretary presented the nominations for the new Officers including President-elect and Secretary, and new members of the Executive Committee. The nominations are: prof. Pierre Bedossa (France) for President-elect, prof. Ilmo Leivo (Finland) for second 4 year term as Secretary, and prof. Ales Ryska (Czech Republic), prof. Dina Tiniakos (Greece), prof. Holger Moch (Switzerland), and prof. Gordon Vujanic (UK) for members of the Executive Committee of the ESP. The General Assembly approved the nominations unanimously.
- 12. Approval of honorary membership to prof. Fred Bosman.

 Prof. Manuel Sobrinho-Simoes presented the proposal of prof. Carneiro and himself to award honorary membership to prof. Fred Bosman. The honorary membership was approved unanimously.
- Progress report of the 25th European Congress of Pathology in Lisbon in 2013.
 Prof. Manuel Sobrinho-Simoes presented a progress report of the Lisbon congress. The congress has 2718 participants from 82 countries including 2182 delegates, 223 accompanying persons, and 313 exhibitors.
- 14. Progress report of the 26th European Congress of Pathology in London in 2014.Prof. Ian Ellis presented a progress report of the London congress.
- 15. Progress report of the 27th European Congress of Pathology in Belgrade in 2015.Prof. Jovan Vasiljevich presented a progress report of the Belgade congress.
- 16. Approval of the sites of future European Congresses of Pathology: The XXXI IAP/28th ECP congress in Cologne 2016.

 Prof. Sigurd Lax presented the proposal for the congress of 2016. The proposal was approved unanimously.

The 29th European Congress of Pathology in Amsterdam 2017.

Dr. Folkert van Kamenade presented the proposal for the congress of 2017. The proposal was approved unanimously.

The 30th European Congress of Pathology in Bilbao 2018.

Prof. Jose Ignacio Lopez presented the proposal for the congress of 2018. The proposal was approved unanimously.

17. Any other items.

No other items were presented.

18. Place and date of the next General Assembly of the ESP.

The next General Assembly will be held on 3 September 2014 in London.