REPORT OF THE 10th BUSINESS MEETING CYTOPATHOLOGY WORKING GROUP – ESP Krakow, September 2, 2010

The 10th Business Meeting of the Cytopathology Working Group (WG) of European Society of Pathology (ESP) was held in Krakow-Poland, on 2nd September-2009, during the Intercongress Meeting of ESP.

In the first part of the meeting the results of the pilot study on "Immunocytochemical staining of ER-PR on breast FNAs" were presented by Dr.Z.Pohar-Marinsek. This multicenter study has been coordinated by her according to the proposals made in the previous business meeting of the WG in Florence. The preliminary results and the future prospects of this study were discussed. The participants aggreed to continue studying on this subject, and it was suggested to write a project in order to ask for financial support from both ESP and European Federation of Cytology Societies (EFCS).

The chair (P.Firat) gave a brief history of sessions/ satellite symposiums organized by the Cytopathology WG in collaboration with other societies and other WGs of ESP, and stressed the success of these join sessions. The idea of continuing and improving the collaboration between the WG and other societies and WGs was supported by all the participants.

The preliminary programme of the cytouathology sessions within the 23rd European Congress of Pathology that will be held in Helsinki was presented by the chair and opened to discussion. Besides proposals were made for the following ESP congress which is planned to be held in Prag in 2012. In addition to pathology congresses, to join the 36th European Congress of Cytology by a satellite Symposium on "Respiratory Cytology" was accepted by the participants.

To organize an EScoP Cytopathology Course and videomicroscopy tutorials are also discussed as future activities.

The chair presented a brief report of the last four years, and expressed her gratitude to all the members and the officers of the WG for their great support during this period and also thanked to the ESP Executive Committee for always being close and supportive to the WG. Then, Dr.Pio Zeppa (Italy) has been elected unanimously as the new chair of the Cytopathology WG.

The meeting was closed with best wishes and congratulations for Dr.Zeppa, and many thanks and warmest regards to all the members.

Dr.Pinar Firat
Past Chair of the Cytopathology Working Group of ESP