

**IFSO EC General Council meeting minutes
Athens, May 18th 2018**



Location: Athens, Greece

Date: May 18th 2018

Time: 17:30 – 18:30

Attendees:

Executive Council: M. Suter (MS), G. Prager (GP), M. Fried (MF), H. Pappis (HP), J.-M. Chevallier (JMC), M. De Luca (MDL), J. Dargent (JD), N. Scopinaro (NS), R. Batterham (RB), R. Peterli (RP), N. Di Lorenzo (NDL), J. Pujol (JP), L. Angrisani (LA), A. Neimark (AN)

Invited: J. Melissas,

Apologies: A. Fiennes

General Council participants

In attendance: K. Divisova (Guarant), J. Zejnilović (Guarant) and M. Mazzarella (IFSO), S. D'Arco (IFSO)

AGENDA

1. Nominations:

a) Nomination of a Chapter's delegate to SciCom IFSO World Congress in Madrid 2019 (MS)

- IFSO EC Executive Council (ExCo) proposed candidate: Ralph Peterli (Switzerland)
- IFSO EC General Council (GC) approved the proposed candidate

b) Nomination of a new IFSO EC President-elect (MS)

- proposed candidates by the National Societies: Jean-Marc Chevallier (France), Ramon Vilalonga (Spain), Michael Viren (Sweden), Shaw Summers (UK)
- IFSO EC ExCo selected and proposed candidate: Jean-Marc Chevallier (France)
- IFSO EC GC approved the proposed candidate

c) Nomination of a new MAL (MS)

- proposed candidates: Nicola Di Lorenzo (Italy), Tom Mala (Norway), Michael Viren (Sweden), Richard Welbourn (UK)
- IFSO EC ExCo selected and proposed candidate: Nicola Di Lorenzo (Italy)
- IFSO EC GC approved the proposed candidate

d) End of term of IFSO EC Executive Director (MS)

- IFSO EC ExCo selected and proposed candidate: Martin Fried (Czech Republic)

According to IFSO EC Bylaws, M. Fried may be re-elected for another (last) 4 years period. The plan is that M. Fried runs for his last term as Executive Director, and to nominate a new Executive Director-elect (by 2020) who will work together with M. Fried during the last 2 years (2020-2022) of his term to ensure a smooth handover and continuity. M. Fried was nominated by the IFSO EC ExCo as the candidate for IFSO EC Executive Director.

- IFSO EC GC approved the proposed candidate

2. Report from EAC-BS (JM)

Prof. John Melissas, EAC-BS Director and scientific board member.

- active participating to the IFSO EC COE Program:

78 centres and 134 surgeons from 26 countries (both COE and SOE)

- evaluation of administration of the IFSO EC COE Program by participants:
Evaluation forms sent to 125 surgeons from 22 countries, response rate: 65,6%, results: 80% good+excellent
Discussed point: Centre of Excellence vs. Surgeon of Excellence. J. Melissas needs to review guidelines, reanalyse the current system.
Several members from different European National Societies as well as IFSO-EC EB have serious concerns about IFSO EC insufficient role, responsibilities and control over the entire Accreditation process within the EAC-BS. IFSO EC President, Past-President and Executive Director will meet with John Melissas in person ASAP in order to discuss and find solution how to proceed and cooperate in the next years.

3. Financial report (MDL)

Bank Account – IFSO European Chapter	
CSOB Bank Bank of Czech Republic	
2017/2018 Income	
•Status 25.4.2017	€ 55.931,73
•Profit share IFSO-EC, EOS Goteborg 2016	€ 9.139,00
•Service fees to IFSO-EC, EOS Gotenborg 2016	€ 31.738,91
•Profit IFSO Rio	€ 7.278,38
•Profit EAC BS	€ 2.155,85
•Profit IFSO London	€ 22.192,00
•Profit share Guarant Goteborg	€ 4.753,00
•Status + Income	€ 133.189,32
2017/2018 Expenses	
•IFSO-EC Secretary	€ 5.375,00
•IFSO-EC Porto	€ 600,00
•IFSO Scholarship 2017	€ 3.000,00
•Legal advise IFSO-EC	€ 2.190,00
•Swedish Society BS	€ 9.874,00
•IFSO EC Naples	€ 2.368,00
•Vienna 6.2.18	€ 723,90
•IFSO Scholarship 2018	€ 3.000,00
•Bank fees	€ 241,77
•Total Expenses	€ 27.130,90
Account Status May 2018	
€ 105.816,65	

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4. Committees' reports

a) Sci Com (RP)

Preparations for the Athens meeting were smooth, both Co-Chars are willing to stay further in charge of the Sci Com. They'll closely cooperate with JD and the ExCo in preparations for the Lyon 2019 IFSO EC Symposium.

b) C&D Com (JP)

Picture&Video Gallery is a platform already available on IFSO EC website to host videos of surgical techniques, interviews with experts, new technology, congresses and medical cases.

The aim is to enrich the work of our association by providing a reference site where users can improve their know-how through the content displayed. We need to get/upload more videos – for this purpose, a mailing to IFSO members will be done by M. Mazarella.

The project will be promoted at the IFSO EC stand during the Congress in Athens (flyers+broadcasted video).

Next step is to develop digital platform (web pages, social medias, mobile apps, online trainings) and of course to find out a relevant financial plan.

c) Young IFSO report (AN)

- president: Aleksandr Neimark (Russia)
- chapter representative: Karin Dolezalova (Czech Republic)
- 228 members registered
- Facebook: 354 participants
- sessions planned for 2018: Athens (May), Dubai (September), Frankfurt (November)

5. IFSO EC Symposium 2019 (MS)

The next Symposium will be held in Lyon (May 2-4 2019) - 2,5 days event with 2 parallel sessions. Jerome Dargent (JD) will be approached by the IFSO EC core PCO - Guarant in order to define roles and responsibilities for the IFSO EC Symposium 2019. In general, (JD) is responsible for the local „matters“ in France, subjected to agreement with Guarant. Expectation is about 300 participants.