

Executive Committee:

President: Prof Emmanuel Tiret **President Elect:** Prof Ethem Gecim **President in Waiting:** Prof Per J Nilsson
Immediate Past President: Prof Stefan Post **Secretary:** Prof Eloy Espin Basany **Ass. Secretary:** Prof Gabriela Möslein **Treasurer:** Prof Filippo La Torre
Journal Representative: Mr Peter Dawson **UEMS Representative:** Prof Dieter Hahnloser **Programme Committee Chair:** Prof Anna Martling
Education Committee Chair: Prof Klaus Matzel **Research Committee Chair:** Prof Dion Morton **Membership Committee Chair:** Dr Mikael Machado
Communications Committee Chair: Prof Per J Nilsson **Guidelines Committee Chair:** Miss Carolynne Vaizey

Minutes of the ESCP AGM 21 September 2017 – ESCP Berlin

1		<p>PRESENT Refer to appendix 1</p>
2		<p>PRESIDENT’S WELCOME AND REPORT Emmanuel Tiret welcomed everyone to the AGM and said that as he had already presented at the President’s Address earlier that day that his welcome would be brief.</p>
3		<p>MINUTES OF THE AGM The minutes from the AGM’s in Dublin on 24 September 2015 and Milan on Thursday 29 September 2016 were approved.</p>
4		<p>PASSING OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION AND ADJUSTMENT TO ESCP RULES Eloy Espin Basany began by stating that any resolutions or adjustments to ESCP rules will be decided only by a show of hands. He went on to explain there had been a review of the Articles of Association and a Resolution put to vote in a General Meeting does not have to be a proposed or seconded. This would now be decided only by a show of hands.</p> <p>During the 2016 AGM in Milan, there were concerns raised by some members who felt that the rules of the Articles of Association were not being observed. At that last AGM it was decided that ESCP to pause the changes of the rules and review, and if any changes were to be decided, they would be decided at the AGM in Berlin.</p> <p>Legal advice was sought about how we communicate to members and ESCP was advised that we are conducting AGM meetings in the correct way. Those rules which were proposed last year are summarized as above.</p> <p>The audience were invited to show any objections to the proposed adjustments to the ESCP Rules. There were no objections, and members approved.</p> <p>There were changes to Articles of Association to be in line with the latest Articles of Association which date back to 2006. No objections received to changes in Articles of Association which were sent by email to all members on 9th August 2017. Members approved with a show of hands.</p>
5	5.1	<p>SECRETARY’S REPORT MEMBERSHIP UPDATE</p>

	5.2	<p>Eloy Espin Basany was delighted to report that the membership figure continues to increase every year, and as of 14 September 2017, there were 1240 members.</p> <p>HONORARY MEMBER UPDATE</p>
	5.3	<p>Eloy Espin Basany advised that Honorary Membership would be awarded the following day to Professor Najib Haboubi (UK) and Professor Søren Laurberg (Denmark).</p> <p>The Lars Pålman Medal was awarded to Nicholas Buchs from Switzerland who was the best EBSQ examinee in 2016.</p> <p>COMMITTEES REPORTS</p>
	5.4	<p>The Committee reports are appended to these minutes. Eloy Espin Basany praised the work of the Committees.</p>
6	6.1	<p>ELECTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND ORDINARY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL</p> <p>Eloy Espin Basany thanked Stefan Post who stepped down from the Executive and thanked him for his commitment to the Society and for his hard work.</p> <p>Emmanuel Tiret gave thanks and presented gifts to Stefan Post and Eloy Espin Basany for their many years serving the Society.</p> <p>Eloy Espin Basany outlined the new Executive Committee Appointments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President: Ethem Gecim • President Elect: Per J Nilsson • President in Waiting: Willem Bemelman • Past President: Emmanuel Tiret • Secretary: Gabriela Möslein • Assistant Programme Chair: Des Winter • Communications Chair: Peter Christensen • Young ESPC Chairman: Matteo Frasson <p>These appointments were proposed by Stefan Post and agreed by Members by a show of hands.</p>
	6.3	<p>Eloy Espin Basany advised the new members on the Education Committee: Edgar Furnée (The Netherlands), Marek Zawadzki (Poland), Muhammad Imran Aslam (UK), Roel Hompes (The Netherlands) and Samson Tou (UK)</p> <p>The Research Committee New Members are Christianne Buskens (The Netherlands), Quentin Denost (France) and Stephen Brown (UK)</p> <p>The outgoing member of the membership committee was Marek Szczepkowski (Poland) and incoming was Goran Barisic (Serbia).</p> <p>The outgoing and incoming list of National Representatives:</p> <p>Outgoing/Incoming National Representatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finland - Anna Lepistö / Monika Carpelan Holmstrom • France - Yves Panis / Quentin Denost • Ireland – Conor Shields / Jürgen Mulsow • Latvia – Aigars Martinsons / Darija Soldatenkova • Egypt- Waleed Omar • Norway – Ole Helmer Sjo / Johannes Schultz • Portugal – Alexandre Duarte / Nuno Rama • Russia – Alexey Moskalev / Aleksei Petrov • Serbia – Goran Barisic / Ivan Dimitrijevic • Slovenia - Pavle Kosorok / Gregor Norcic

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sweden – Pamela Buchwald / Marcel Sadeghi • Turkey – Dursun Bugra / Ugur Sungurtekin <p>Eloy Espin Basany thanked the ESCP for the privilege of serving as Secretary for the past three years and especially thanked his past four Presidents Ronan O’Connell, Yury Shelygin, Stefan Post and Emmanuel Tiret. He also thanked all the Executive Members with special thanks to Peter Dawson, and the staff of Integrity Events.</p>
8	<p>TREASURER’S REPORT Filippo La Torre delivered his presentation as ESCP Treasurer.</p> <p>Filippo La Torre started by saying that ESCP has changed its outlook, and the society is investing funds in many activities. This is reflected in the budget and he outlined his priorities as Treasurer.</p> <p>It was reported that the last year end showed a deficit of minus €355,000. He explained that this figure was justified due to investment in the society and highlighted the key areas; research/trials initiatives, education’s fellowship programme, communications and face-to-face committee meetings. He reported the membership related expenditure is related to <i>Colorectal Disease</i> journal subscription and society administration. He highlighted that the provisional projected funds at 31.12.2017 would be around €871’300, and said that the conference profit of €115’000 would improve further since it was based on 1450 registrations and that this had been exceeded by 200. Conference registrations was at 1687 as of today.</p> <p>He advised members of the projects and priorities as Treasurer</p> <p>To Save Money:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A revised speaker (and fee) policy for ESCP meetings • 2017 and next non-conference budget finalization and accountability <p>To increase Income:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership growth • More profitable conference • Generation of financial partnerships with key sponsors <p>Ronan O’Connell congratulated everyone on the success of the meeting. However he expressed concerns that society reserves are diminishing. He stressed that the Executive Committee should be very careful as it must be able to salvage this otherwise the Society’s funds could disappear. Filippo agreed and said that ESCP are working very hard to avoid any further deficit.</p> <p>Najib Haboubi highlighted that there has always been a strategy to increase membership growth and that the society is progressing in the right direction and asked whether there was any other new strategic approach to take into consideration. Filippo responded there needs to be more sponsorship with key sponsors. Najib Haboubi endorsed that, and questioned whether ESCP should consider increasing membership fees, freezing face to face meetings.</p>
9	<p>TRUSTEE’S REPORT Giovanni Romano reported that the Executive and Council should be complimented on their work. He went on to say that there were some recommendations from the Trustees who had met earlier in the day with the Treasurer.</p> <p>He said that overall the Trustees were very happy with the Committee work with the progression of the Society from the scientific point of view and all the expenditure which had been spent on the committees, fellowships and research initiatives are essential for the Society’s investment. Their suggestion was to carefully monitor society expenditure and</p>

	<p>some of the proposals by the Treasurer had been well received. A further proposal was to increase the membership fee which was deemed as relatively low. Although there is room for improvement, he was cautious but confident that the balance can be easily adjusted next year.</p> <p>On Giovanni Romano's behalf, Emmanuel Tiret, proposed the reappointment of Trustees and the reappointment of Whitelaw Wells as ESCP Auditors. There was no objection and the reappointment was agreed by all members present with a show of hands.</p>
10	<p>INAUGURATION OF NEW PRESIDENT</p> <p>Emmanuel Tiret welcomed the new incoming President, Ethem Gecim, and invited him to address the members.</p> <p>Ethem thanked everyone for the support and trust as the newly elected President and advised that despite the financial situation, he feels confident for the future. He said that the committees are doing a great job and meetings are getting better and better.</p> <p>Emmanuel Tiret ended the presentation and said it had been a huge honour and a pleasure to be President.</p>
11	<p>CLOSE & DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next AGM will be held on Thursday 27th September 2018 in Nice.</p>

APPENDIX 1 – LIST OF ATTENDEES (MEMBERS)

SURNAME	FIRSTNAME	COUNTRY
Szabolcs	Ábrahám	Hungary
Cihangir	Akyol	Turkey
Kassem	Alubaidi	United Kingdom
Steven	Arnold	United Kingdom
Boyko	Atanasov	Bulgaria
Riccardo	Balestri	Italy
Jörg	Baral	Germany
Goran	Barisic	Serbia
Hasan	Bektas	Turkey
Sebastanio	Biondo	Spain
Paul	Byrne	Canada
Cristina	Caspari	Germany
Valerio	Celentano	United Kingdom
Pierre	Chapuis	Australia
Peter	Christensen	Denmark
Dimitri	Christoforidis	Switzerland
Stefan	Clermonts	Netherlands
Hugh	Cooke	New Zealand
Peter	Dawson	United Kingdom
Eelco	de Graaf	Netherlands
Paola	De Nardi	Italy
Ivan	Dimitrijevic	Serbia
Marc	Duinslaeger	Belgium
Eloy	Espin Basany	Spain
Ridzuan	Farouk	Singapore
Edgar	Furnée	Netherlands
Juan	Garcia Armengol	Spain
Ethem	Gecim	Turkey
Jan	Grosek	Slovenia
Emre	Gunay	Turkey
Najib	Haboubi	United Kingdom
Dieter	Hahnloser	Switzerland
Werner	Hohenberger	Germany
Torbjorn	Holm	Sweden
Heikki	Huhtinen	Finland
Aldo	Infantino	Italy
Muhammad Rafaih	Iqbal	United Kingdom
Ahmed Zia	Janjua	Ireland
Franc	Jelenc	Slovenia
Claes	Johansson	Sweden
Johannes	Jongen	Germany
Bärbel	Jung	Sweden
Mark	Katory	United Kingdom
Iraklis	Katsoulis	Greece
Ljudmila	Kazieva	Russian Federation
Sharon Zhiling	Koh	Singapore

Ronny	Koop	Netherlands
Pavle	Košorok	Slovenia
Theodoros	Lagoudis	United Arab Emirates
Paul	Lehur	France
Sezai	Leventoglu	Turkey
Bettina	Lieske	Singapore
Mikael	Machado	Sweden
Aigars	Martinsons	Latvia
Peter	Matthiessen	Sweden
Brendan	Moran	United Kingdom
Alex	Moskalev	Russian Federation
Ilia	Nazarov	Russian Federation
Jens Marius	Nesgaard	Norway
Per	Nilsson	Sweden
Gregor	Norcic	Slovenia
Ronan	O'Connell	Ireland
Stefanos	Paraskakis	Greece
David	Pares Martinez	Spain
Mike	Parker	United Kingdom
Georgios	Pechlivanidis	Greece
Miguel	Pera	Spain
Jonas	Petersson	Sweden
Vilius	Petrauskas	Lithuania
Thomas	Pinkney	United Kingdom
Sergii	Podpriatov	Ukraine
Tomas	Poskus	Lithuania
Stefan	Post	Germany
Mark	Potter	United Kingdom
Apollo	Pronk	Netherlands
Gabriele	Quaranta	Germany
Georgios	Rallis	Greece
Arto	Rantala	Finland
Giovanni	Romano	Italy
Håvard	Rørvik	Denmark
Ada	Rosen	Israel
Reinhard	Ruppert	Germany
Evgeny	Rybakov	Russian Federation
Marcel	Sadeghi	Sweden
Aynur	Safiyeva	Azerbaijan
Tahir	Saleem	Ireland
Panchali	Sarmah	United Kingdom
Roland	Scherer	Germany
Thomas	Schiedeck	Germany
Karl	Schmidt	Ireland
Johannes Kurt	Schultz	Norway
Masaru	Shinozaki	Japan
Robert	Siegel	Germany
Ole Helmer	Sjo	Norway
Mihail	Slavchev	Bulgaria

Kaspars	Snipe	Latvia
Valentin	Sojar	Slovenia
Laurents	Stassen	Netherlands
Samuel	Stefan	United Kingdom
Sigmar	Stelzner	Germany
Jasper	Stijns	Belgium
Saulius	Svagzys	Lithuania
Algimantas	Tamelis	Lithuania
Jared	Torkington	United Kingdom
Anna	van Geloven	Netherlands
Jo	Vlasselaers	Belgium
Arne	Wibe	Norway
David	Zimmerman	Netherlands

APPENDIX 2 – LIST OF ATTENDEES (NON-MEMBERS)

SURNAME	FIRSTNAME	COUNTRY
Mikhail	Alekseev	Russian Federation
Igor	Cerni	Slovenia
Philemon	Dikki	United Kingdom
Stefan	Ebner	Austria
Bahadir	Ege	Turkey
Burak	Güney	Turkey
Stanislav	Jackanin	Czech Republic
Ahmet Serdar	Karaca	Turkey
Danko	Kostadinov	Ireland
Esther	Kreisler	Spain
Pierre	Latrèche	France
Ann	Lyons	United Kingdom
Július	Örhalmi	Czech Republic
Paul	Pattyn	Belgium
Darya	Shlyk	Russian Federation
Petr	Špička	Czech Republic
Bart	van Ooijen	Netherlands
Feza	Yarbuğ Karakayalı	Turkey

ESCP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2017
BERLIN, GERMANY

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TWELFTH SCIENTIFIC & ANNUAL MEETING

President's Welcome & Report

ESCP President: Emmanuel Tiret

Minutes of the last meeting

Dublin: Thursday 25 September 2015

Milan: Thursday 29 September 2016

ESCP Secretary: Eloy Espin Basany

AGM Voting Procedure

Articles of Association-The Companies Act 2006:

There is no need for a proposer or a seconder

**A resolution put to the vote at a general
meeting shall be decided on a show of
hands**

ESCP Rules – Proposed Adjustments for AGM Approval on 21 September 2017

This table summarises changes proposed for ratification at the AGM in Berlin on Thursday 21 September 2017. Proposed changes or additions are shown in blue; elements proposed for removal are shaded in grey.

The following sections have been removed: 5 (National Chapters), 13 (Website), 16 (Nominations) – see appendix

The section on External Relations (see appendix) has been adjusted to become the Communications Committee

TWELFTH SCIENTIFIC & ANNUAL MEETING

New Rule Ref	Adjustment	Details of adjustment
General	Correction	Removal of 'sub' when referring to committees.
2	Addition	Addition of Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia as recognised ESCP countries
3 & 5	Amalgamation	Consolidation relating to National Societies (removing reference to Chapters)
4.11	Addition	Addition of wording to qualify 'dishonourable behaviour'.
6.1	Addition	Addition of clause to define Council composition; replacement of Website and External Relations Committees with Communications Committee
6.9	Revision	
7.1	Revision	Replacement of Website and External Relations Committees with Communications Committee This sub-clause is a repeat of sub-clause 2.3
7.2	Removal	
7.9	Addition	Provision for any committee (including the Executive) to create/appoint working groups for specific projects
8.7	Addition	Appointment by Membership Committee of a representative to Communications Committee
9.8	Revision	Change from defined number of members to "as many as required"
9.11	Addition	Appointment by Programme Committee of a representative to Communications Committee
10.6	Revision	Change from defined number of members to "as many as required"
10.7	Addition	Appointment by Education Committee of a representative to Communications Committee
11.4	Revision	Change from defined number of members to "as many as required"
11.8	Addition	Appointment by Research Committee of a representative to Communications Committee
11.9	Removal	Removed as now covered by clause 7.9 (Executive)
12	Replacement	Original clauses 13 and 14 amalgamated from Website and External Relations to become Communications Committee (see appendix for original clauses)
13.4	Revision	Clarification of Guidelines Committee membership
	Removal	Nominations Committee (see appendix for original clause)

ESCP Passing of a Special Resolution

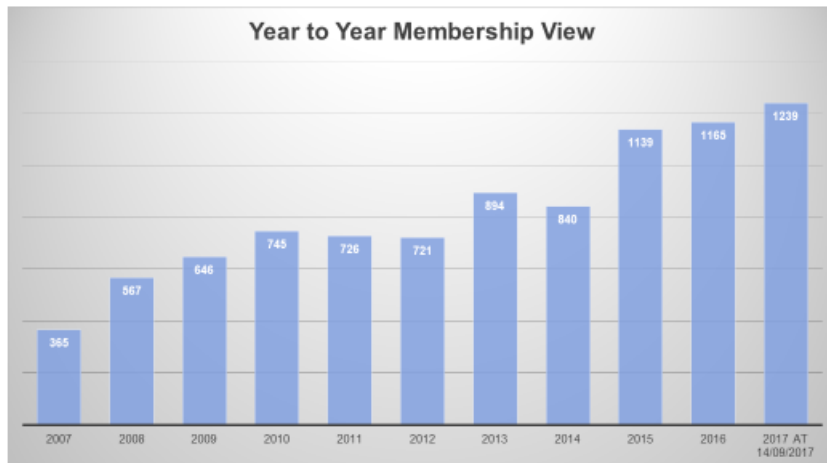
Articles of Association – The Companies Act 2006

- *THAT the articles of association included with this Notice be approved and adopted as the new articles of association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing articles of association of the Company.*
- By order of the Board – Sent by Email on 09 August 2017

Secretary's Report

ESCP Secretary: Eloy Espin Basany

Membership Update



Secretary's Report: Honorary Members

- Najib Haboubi (UK)
- Søren Laurberg (Denmark)

Secretary's report

- **ESCP Lars Pählman Medal**
- Awarded on Wednesday 20 in Berlin to Mr Nicholas Buchs (Switzerland)

Secretary's report

Committee reports are available as a handout, if you have not received one please ask at registration

Election of New Executive Officers

- **President:** Ethem Gecim
- **President Elect:** Per Nilsson
- **President in Waiting:** Willem Bemelman
- **Past President:** Emmanuel Tiret
- **Secretary:** Gabriella Möslein
- **Ass Prog Chair:** Des Winter
- **Communications Chair:** Peter Christensen
- **Young ESCP Working Group Chair:** Matteo Frasson

Executive Officers Stepping down

Past President: Stefan Post
Secretary: Eloy Espin Basany

EDUCATION COMMITTEE NEW MEMBERS

- **Edgar Furnée** (The Netherlands)
- **Marek Zawadzki** (Poland)
- **Muhammad Imran Aslam** (UK)
- **Pascal Doornebosch** (The Netherlands)
- **Roel Hompes** (UK)

RESEARCH COMMITTEE NEW MEMBERS

- **Christianne Buskens** (The Netherlands)
- **Quentin Denost** (France)
- **Steven Brown** (UK)

Membership Committee Changes

Chair: Mikael Machado

Region	Demitting Office	From September 2017
East	Marek Szczepkowski (Poland)	Goran Barisic (Serbia)
West		Niels Wijffels (The Netherlands) <i>Acting incoming since Sept 2016</i>

Outgoing/Incoming National Representatives

	OUTGOING	INCOMING
Finland	Anna Lepistö	Monika Carpelan-Holmstrom
France	Yves Panis	Quentin Denost
Ireland	Connor Shields	Jürgen Muslow
Latvia	Aigars Martinsons	Darja Soldatenkova
Lithuania	Tadas Latkauskas	Saulius Svagzdys
Norway	Ole Helmer Sjo	Johannes Schultz

Outgoing/Incoming National Representatives

	OUTGOING	INCOMING
Portugal	Alexandre Duarte	Nuno Jose Gomes Rama
Russian Federation	Alexey Moskalev	Aleksei Petrov
Serbia	Goran Barisic	Ivan Dimitrijević
Slovenia	Pavle Kosorok	Gregor Norčič.
Sweden	Pamela Buchwald	Marcel Sadeghi
Turkey	Dursun Bugra	Ugur Sungurtekin

Treasurer's Report

ESCP Treasurer: Filippo La Torre

Treasurer's Priorities

- 2017 non-conference budget finalisation & accountability
- Closer scrutiny and a balanced approach to major project investment
- Membership growth
- A return to more profitable conferences
- Generation of financial partnerships with key sponsors

Year End 2016

	At 31 Dec 2016	
	Income €	Expenditure €
Membership	€80,245	€148,600
Non-conference: Other	€55,000	€268,125
Conference (Milan)	€1,005,100	€987,600
Conference (Istanbul)	€0	€91,100
TOTAL	€1,140,345	€1,495,425
INCOME-EXPENDITURE		-€355,080

	Executive & Other	Research	Education	Guidelines	Comms	Membership	Other	Total
Committee meetings	€ 27,550	€ 350	€ 13,000		€ 13,500	€4,800		€59,200
International Trials		€ 6,900						€6,900
Research Manager		€ 51,400						€51,400
Fellowships			€ 58,500					€58,500
Mesh in Pelvis, Translation costs				€ 4,000				€4,000
Society app, social media & promo video					€ 28,250			€28,250
National Rep expenses						€6,200		€6,200
Website, hosting	€ 3,390				€ 400			€3,790
ING Investment mgt fees	€ 2,200							€2,200
Polish Masterclass							€32,000*	€32,000
Membership/Affiliation fees (UEG, ECCO)							€2,000	€2,000
Integrity fees: Special projects work							€4,450	€4,450
Integrity fees: Future conferences work							€5,400	€5,400
Teleconferences, ...	€1,060	€650	€500		€800		€825	€3,835
Total	€ 34,200	€ 59,300	€ 72,000	€ 4,000	€ 42,950	€11,000	€44,550	€268,125

MAIN ITEMS OF INVESTMENT (PROJECTS)

- 1: Research/Trials Initiatives € 58,000
- 2: ESCP Fellowships € 58,500
- 3: Society App & Social Media € 28,250
- 4: Committee Face-to-Face Meetings € 59,200

MEMBERSHIP RELATED EXPENDITURE

Total Membership Expenditure €148,600

- Journal Block Subscription EUR 35'000
- Integrity Fees membership fees EUR 10'100
- Integrity Fees committee/society management EUR 92'300
- Other (legal, admin) EUR 6'400

Provisional Projected Funds at 31 December 2017

	INCOME	EXPENDITURE
Balance from 2016	€990,000	
Conference profit (Berlin)	€115,600	
Membership income	€90,700	
Membership related expenditure		€115,800
Non-conference income	€219,100	
Non-conference related expenditure		€428,300
PROVISIONAL YEAR END BALANCE AT 31.12.17	€871,300	

Berlin Budget, Milan, Dublin & Barcelona Actuals Compared

	Berlin € (Budget)	Milan €	Dublin €	Barcelona €
Sponsorship*	€610,400	€510,550	€705,450	€501,650
Registration income	€632,700	€494,500	€560,000	€542,350
Total Income	€1,243,100	€1,005,050	€1,265,500	€1,044,000
Expenditure	€1,127,500	€987,600	€915,450	€763,200
PROFIT/LOSS	+€115,600	+€17,450	+€350,000	+€280,800

Budget based on 1450 registrations: Total Registrations today 1687

PROJECTS and PRIORITIES

To Save money:

1. A revised speaker (and fee) policy for ESCP Meetings
2. 2017 & next non-conference budget finalization & accountability

To increase the income:

1. Membership growth
2. More profitable conference
3. Generation of financial partnerships with key sponsors

ESCP Trustees Report

Chair: Giovanni Romano

Re-Appointment of Trustees

- **Chair:** Giovanni Romano (Italy)
- Tom Scheinin (Finland)
- Thomas Schiedeck (Germany)
- Julio Leite (Portugal)
- Adam Dziki (Poland)
- Evgeny Rybakov (Russia)
- Sebastiano Biondo (Spain)
- Torbjörn Holm (Sweden)
- Mike Parker (UK)

Re-Appointment of Auditors

Re-Appointment of **Whitelaw Wells** as ESCP Auditors

Inauguration of new President

ETHEM GECIM

Introduced by outgoing President Emmanuel Tiret

Thank you for attending!

Date of next AGM:

Thursday 27 September 2018 in Nice

ESCP AGM AGENDA BERLIN

Thursday 21 September 2017: 16:05 – 16:50

at CityCube, in the Plenary Hall

- 1 **President's Welcome and Report**
- 2 **Minutes of the AGM in Dublin on 24 September 2015**
- 2 **Minutes of the AGM in Milan on 29 September 2016**
- 3 **Adjustment to ESCP Rules**
 - Refer to summary appended to this agenda
- 4 **Passing of special resolution**
 - To adopt new Articles of Association
- 5 **Secretary's Report**
 - a. Membership update
 - b. Honorary member update**Committees reports - please see reports attached**

Written reports for Education Committee, Communications Committee, Journal, Research Committee, Guidelines Committee, Membership Committee, Regional Events Working Group and Corporate Liaison
- 6 **Election of Officers and Ordinary Members of Council**

Executive Officers: including new appointments

 - President: Ethem Gecim
 - President Elect: Per J Nilsson
 - President in Waiting: Willem Bemelman
 - Secretary: Gabriela Möslein
 - Communications Chair: Peter Christensen
 - Young ESCP Chair: Matteo Frasson – refer to rules adjustments

Executive Officers: Demitting Office

 - Past President: Stefan Post
 - Secretary: Eloy Espin Basany

Council Officers:

 - Regional Representatives (outgoing, incoming)
 - National Representatives (outgoing, incoming)
- 7 **Treasurer's Report**
- 8 **Trustee's Report**
 1. Re-election of all Trustees
 2. Election of Auditors
- 9 **Inauguration of new President**
- 10 **Close of meeting**

AGM REPORT

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

President: Prof Emmanuel Tiret

President Elect: Prof Ethem Gecim

President in Waiting: Prof Per J Nilsson

Immediate Past President: Prof Stefan

Post Secretary: Prof Eloy Espin Basany

Ass. Secretary Prof Gabriela Möslein

Treasurer: Prof Filippo La Torre

Journal Representative: Mr Peter Dawson

UEMS Representative: Prof Dieter Hahnloser

Programme Committee Chair: Prof Anna Martling

Education Committee Chair: Prof Klaus Matzel Research

Committee Chair: Prof Dion Morton Membership

Committee Chair: Dr Mikael Machado Communications

Committee Chair: Prof Per J Nilsson Guidelines

Committee Chair: Miss Carolynne Vaizey

ESCP AGM COMMITTEE REPORTS

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EDUCATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

Committee: Klaus Matzel (*Chair*), Muhammad I. Aslam, Richard Brady, Eloy Espin Basany (*ex officio/ESCP Secretary*), Edgar Furnée, Dieter Hahnloser, Filippo la Torre, Mark Potter, Harald Rosen, Pierpaolo Sileri, Baljit Singh, Samson Tou, David Zimmerman.

THE AIMS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE ARE:

To deliver high-quality, contemporary education for surgeons in training and practice, and for other allied healthcare professionals.

To educate, disseminate and accredit to the highest standard in Coloproctology across Europe.

As the leading European Society in Coloproctology, the scope of the Society has been further expanded towards educational content during 2017. This includes:

1. Further modification of the “Education Stream” at the annual meeting: in addition to activities targeted towards technical skills, decision making and clinical judgment (offered in sessions such as the Ultrasound seminar, the Expert video session, Authors’ workshop, Best publications of 2016, interactive workshop, and the Expert round table session) a variety of pre-congress and post-congress “hands-on” workshops has been expanded. “TAMIS”, “operative techniques for techniques for the prevention and repair of parastomal hernia”, “Introduction to the treatment of perianal fistula and haemorrhoids” and “Colorectal laparoscopic skills” courses are now offered. All of these courses offer advanced hands-on experience, excellent faculty, and a good teacher-attendee ratio.

2. Continuation and modification of the ESCP Fellowship

Program: The spectrum of the fellowship has been expanded: a six-month fellowship especially for training in colorectal robotic surgery has been added. The society now offers:

- 1 six-month fellowship esp. in robotic surgery
- 2 six-month fellowships
- 4 three-month fellowships
- 1 three-month fellowship for non-EU members
- 4 two-to-four-week observerships
- 3 reciprocal travelling fellowships with international societies (the American, Japanese and Korean colorectal societies)

A new evaluation system of the fellowship activities is in development, as is a matching system for applicants and teaching centres.

- Complimentary registration is again available for up to 50 students at the annual meeting in September.

3. The area of activities “ESCP goes global” is continued:

- “Activities in Coloproctology around the Globe” are presented at a session during the annual meeting.
- A three-month fellowship dedicated to colleagues from outside Europe is now established.

4. The ESCP Website accommodates new educational content for members such as:

Free member access to the electronic version of the new 2nd edition “*Coloproctology*”, the *European Manual of Medicine*.

- The second edition was launched in spring 2017. The structure of the manual serves as a template for the educational resources and will be linked to various other ESCP resources, such as meeting presentations and keynote lectures.
- Free access to presentations and video material from the annual meeting.
- The educational content of the ESCP website has been overhauled throughout the year and newly structured to improve access to the educational resources, also available on the new App.

5. The ESCP App has been launched in September 2017:

The new ESCP App now offers easy access by hand held devices to the content of the ESCP website - including the Educational Content of the ESCP and it enhances connectivity amongst members. Relevant online and social media presence is now ensured.

6. Several Masterclasses took place: in Katowice, Poland on October 6, 2016 in conjunction with the 11th Symposium of the Polish Club of Coloproctology focused on rectal cancer. Almeria, Spain on May 17, 2017, in conjunction with the National Spanish Society Annual Meeting on functional disorders. The next masterclass will take place in Budapest, Hungary on November 17, 2017, in conjunction with the biannual meeting of the Chapter of Coloproctology of the Hungarian Surgical Society and the Hungarian Society of Coloproctology on surgical management of colorectal tumours.

Based on the success of the Perianal Fistula workshop at the ESCP Meeting 2016 in Milan, a “Spin-off” course was invited to take place in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the Turkish Colorectal Society, this took place in Antalya on May 18, 2017.

7. For the first time the educational stream of the annual meeting is UEMS CME accredited, as the entire scientific program.

8. A cooperation of the “New Technology Working Group of the Education Committee ESCP” and The New Technology Committee of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons led to a survey “Implementation of new technology”. ACPGIBI and the Australasian Colorectal Society participated. The results were presented at the Tripartite Meeting in Seattle at the ASCRS meeting held in June 2017. The results will also be presented at the ESCP meeting in Berlin. The survey looked at new technology with regards to rectal cancer treatment. Further work is planned to critically appraise new technology in the treatment of colorectal cancer.

9. New members added to the Education Committee in 2016:

- Edgar Furnée
- Mark Potter
- Muhammad Imran Aslam

10. New members added to the Education Committee in 2017:

- Roel Hompes
- Pascal Doornebosch
- Marek Zawadzki

The Education Committee will also be supported by new members recruited through the Young ESCP initiative.

Future initiatives of the Education Committee in 2017/2018 will include further development of year-round educational activities and educational resources of the ESCP website and its online use, especially via the ESCP App. ESCP masterclasses are offered as teaching modules to National Societies, and we aim to address the needs of Trainees and Experts in and outside of Europe to ascertain CME Credits for the societies educational activities and the build-up of the European School of Coloproctology, starting with dedicated educational activities relating to laparoscopic and robotic colorectal surgery.

Klaus E. Matzel
Education Committee Chair

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

Committee: Mikael Machado (*Chair*) + regional representatives

Western region: Karen Nugent, Niels Wijffels

Central region: Aldo Infantino, Roland Scherer

Eastern region: Dragomir Dardanov, Marek Szczepkowski (*outgoing*), Goran Barisic (*incoming*)

THE CURRENT LIST OF NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES:

Country	National Representatives	Incoming 2017
Austria	Martina Lemmerer	
Azerbaijan	Aynur Safiyeva	
Belgium	Donald Claeys	
Bulgaria	Plamen Petkov	
Czech Republic	Ondrej Ryska	
Denmark	Gunnar Baatrup	
Egypt	Waleed Omar	
Finland	Anna Lepistö	Monika Carpelan-Holmstrom
France	Yves Panis	Quentin Denost
Germany	Reinhard Ruppert	
Greece	Georgios Pechlivanides	
Hungary	Geza Papp	
Iceland	Helgi Kjartan Sigurdsson	
Ireland	Connor Shields	Jürgen Muslow
Israel	Ada Rosen	
Italy	Giovanni Milito	
Latvia	Aigars Martinsons	Darja Soldatenkova
Lithuania	Tadas Latkauskas	Saulius Svagzdys
Norway	Ole Helmer Sjo	Johannes Schultz
Poland	Tomasz Banasiewicz	
Portugal	Alexandre Duarte	Nuno Jose Gomes Rama
Romania	Victor Tomulescu	
Russian Federation	Alexey Moskalev	Aleksei Petrov
Serbia	Goran Barisic	Ivan Dimitrijevic
Slovenia	Pavle Kosorok	Gregor Norcic
Spain	Juan Garcia Armengol	
Sweden	Pamela Buchwald	TBC
Switzerland	Frederic Ris	
The Netherlands	Eelco de Graaf	
Turkey	Dursun Bugra	Ugur Sungurtekin
UK	Jared Torkington	
Ukraine	Leonid Bilianskyi	

The number of ESCP members has now reached **1,174** – this is an **increase in membership of 39% over the last three years!**

We are very pleased to issue a warm welcome to our membership, especially our members in Aruba, Bangladesh, Honduras, Luxembourg and Uzbekistan who have joined for the first time.

New national representatives have been chosen through elections coordinated by the ESCP Secretariat for:

<i>Finland</i>	<i>Lithuania</i>	<i>Serbia</i>
<i>France</i>	<i>Norway</i>	<i>Slovenia</i>
<i>Ireland</i>	<i>Portugal</i>	<i>Sweden</i>
<i>Latvia</i>	<i>Russian Federation</i>	<i>Turkey</i>

AIMS OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

- Increase and maintain membership
- Ensure clear and consistent communication with members
- Harvest opinions and ideas
- Work together to create an ambience of context for National Representatives and members

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES 2016/2017

- One face-to face meeting and four teleconferences
- Updated National Representative job descriptions and annual report forms
- Flyers
- Template for National Area webpages
- Clarification of expense policies towards National Representatives
- Planning Regional meetings and National Representative dinner Berlin 2017

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE INITIATIVES FOR 2017/2018

- To further strengthen the National Representatives involvement in ESCP activities
- Develop ESCP's long term membership strategy for the next 5 years

Mikael Machado

Membership Committee Chair – September 2017

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Committee: Per Nilsson (*Chair*), Peter Christensen (*Assistant Chair*), Richard Brady (*Education Rep*), Peter Dawson (*Journal Rep*), Mark Katory (*Guidelines & Programme Rep*), Julius Orhalmi, Eloy Espin Basany (*ex officio/ESCP Secretary*), Aldo Infantino (*Membership Rep*), Charles Knowles (*Research Rep*)

ESCP SOCIETY/CONFERENCE APP

The ESCP app was formally launched on September 11 and has been widely downloaded. There have been several stages of feedback from the App Working group and Comm Comm to ensure the app reflects the whole Society.

Through the app, members can access the resource library (including the ESCP Manual) as well as all ESCP website content. Comm Comm will discuss (Thursday 21 September) revenue generating possibilities surrounding the app such as year-round sponsor banners, hosted sponsor content etc. A report will be provided to the Executive to agree on sponsorship opportunities.

Sponsorship of the conference section of the app for 2017 totalled €9,000, more than twice covering the annual support fee for the whole app (€4,100). Companies willingness to sponsor the app could signal a significant year-round revenue opportunity for the Society.

GRAYLING

Grayling were appointed in March to serve as ESCP's communications team. They have been heavily involved in the monthly topic project, were responsible for the increased volume of videos ESCP have produced and continue to seek opportunities to increase awareness of ESCP.

Another key aspect of their work has been looking at a longer term strategic communications plan for ESCP. A key aim is to make ESCP the go-to source for decision makers and those with an interest in coloproctology. Grayling and Comm Comm will continue to assess methods for doing so and identifying areas of strength to promote, and areas to improve on.

ESCP SOCIAL MEDIA

ESCP's social media channels continue to be one of our main channels of communication. Since April 2016, we have gathered almost 2000 additional followers on Twitter, 400 on LinkedIn and 200 on Facebook. Comm Comm initiatives like monthly topics proved very popular and there was a noticeable spike in online engagement throughout this project. The delivery of several short videos has seen visitors to ESCP's YouTube channel to increase 4-fold. Comm Comm have identified several monthly topic options from October 17 onwards and, with Grayling's input, continue to maximise the impact of this initiative.

ESCP have published promoted posts on Twitter and Facebook in the last year with positive results. While not suitable for every tweet/update; it is worth noting the success of promoted posts for bigger/specific topics. An example of this – we allocated a budget of €250 to promote the ESCP Manual of Coloproctology. As a result, this tweet easily had our biggest audience, became our best engaged with Tweet and had our highest number of clicks.

NICE 2018 VIDEO

Our last two conference videos (Milan and Berlin) have been very well received online. Filming will take place in Berlin for our Nice video. This will be in line with previous years' costs. Any member wishing to take part – there is still time! Go and see Graeme at the registration area.

UEG WEEK

ESCP will have a stand at this year's UEG Week in Barcelona. The ESCP stand will include:

- Nice 1st Announcements
- ESCP app flyers
- Information on the Trials Map, ESCP Manual, Cohort Study, Guidelines
- Education Update/Opportunities

EUROPEAN CANCER ORGANISATION (ECCO)

Following the full membership of ESCP into ECCO during 2016, representatives from ESCP have partaken in committee work that has resulted in publication of two articles with ESCP participation:

- ECCO Essential Requirements for Quality Cancer Care: Colorectal Cancer. A Critical Review. *Crit Rev Oncol Hematol*, 2017
- Identifying Critical Steps Towards Improved Access to Innovation in Cancer Care: A ECCO Position Paper. *Eur J Cancer*, 2017

Per J. Nilsson

Communications Committee Chair – September 2017

REGIONAL EVENTS WORKING GROUP

Committee: Paul-Antoine Lehur (*Chair*), Dursun Bugra (*Membership Rep*), Eloy Espin Basany (*ex officio/ESCP Secretary*), Dieter Hahnloser (*Education Rep*), Anna Martling (*Programme Rep*), Per Nilsson (*Communications Rep*), Stefan Post (*ex officio/ESCP Past President*)

The Regional Events Working Group (REWG) is a think-tank closely connected to the ESCP Education Committee. REWG goals assigned by the Executive Committee are to develop educational ESCP-endorsed events that come in addition to the Annual ESCP meeting and its educational opportunities. It is viewed as an opportunity to spread the ESCP brand throughout the year.

Spanish Masterclass report: The following report was published on the website after a very successful Masterclass held in Almeria, Spain on 17 May 2017.

Third ESCP REGIONAL MASTERCLASS REPORT
Novel Management of the Pelvic Floor Disorders
(incl. prolapse and incontinence)
Almeria, Spain. Wednesday, 17 May 2017

The Regional Events Working Group is delighted to report on the last Spring ESCP event held in Almeria, Spain on 17 May 2017.

This 3rd ESCP Masterclass, organised in conjunction with the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Asociación Española de Coloproctología, covered the topic of 'Pelvic floor disorders - prolapse and incontinence' and aimed to deliver 'from basic to expert management' messages.

A total of 200 participants attended the masterclass. The expert panel were able to efficiently cover the various aspects of these now better-known and frequent conditions of interest to coloproctologists. The introduction of the pre-test by the speakers and interaction with the delegates allowed for dynamic sessions and the consultant corner led to a lively case discussion.

With the agreement of the speakers, the power point presentations will be available on our website for ESCP members. We also aim to anonymously compile the post-tests answers to appreciate the progress in the understanding of these conditions and their management, potentially leading to a publication in Colorectal Disease, if approved by the Editorial Committee.

We do hope that this educational day has provided clues to the attending colleagues for their day-to-day practice. Some suggestions have been made to adapt the program after this first experience, for instance to detail more SNS indications and mode of action rather than too specialised technical aspects but all presentations were very well received and perfectly simultaneous translated.

Some of the members of the panel clearly recommended to re-use the the present template of masterclass in different countries for the benefit of national societies and served populations on this relatively new topic besides cancer, proctology and IBD. Notice will be forwarded to the Education Committee of the ESCP on that matter.

The REWG wishes to express its sincere thanks to our Spanish colleagues and the organising committee of their national society for allowing us to set this greatly successful ESCP Masterclass.

Organising committee: Eloy Espin Basany, Paul-Antoine Lemur, Juan Garcia Armengol, Klaus Matzel
The 3rd Regional Masterclass was supported by an educational grant from Medtronic.

HUNGARIAN MASTERCLASS – FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2017

The announcement of the Hungarian Masterclass is available on the ESCP website along with the programme. This Masterclass will focus on Colon and Rectal Cancer with basic and specialized coverage of surgical approaches.

This ESCP Masterclass is a stand-alone event that has been developed in close collaboration with our Hungarian colleagues. This event will take place during the middle day of their National Society meeting. This Masterclass will have a high attendance of delegates from Hungary along with neighbouring countries. A sponsor has not yet been secured: Applied Medical, Ethicon and Medtronic have been approached, there is also an option for Multi company sponsoring for this event. In the event that a sponsor for this event is not secured, a request will be made to ESCP's Treasurer for funding.

SPRING MASTERCLASS 2018 SWEDEN: 12 APRIL

Location: Stockholm – in conjunction with the National Swedish Colorectal Meeting – Topic: Colorectal Cancer
(Local & ESCP coordinators: Anna Martling & Per Nilsson)

WINTER MASTERCLASS 2018 ITALY: 15 NOVEMBER

Location: Rome – in conjunction with Società Italiana di Chirurgia Colo-Rettale (SICCR) – Topic: Modern & advanced management of Fistulae: "Not only anal" (Local & ESCP coordinators: Filippo La Torre & Giovanni Milito)

OPEN APPLICATIONS AND REGIONAL NON- MASTERCLASS EVENTS:

TURKISH WORKSHOP UPDATE

ESCP participated at this meeting with two expert speakers, this was very much appreciated and the workshop on fistula management was extremely successful. It demonstrates the interest to add this type of support to countries in the Educational portfolio of the ESCP.

8TH SYMPOSIUM COLORECTAL GAMES, HERAKLION, GREECE – 3-5 MAY 2018

An open application has been received from the Greek Society. This is still in discussion but it has to be noted that the program will not be discussed with our ad-hoc committee and that there are already several ESCP members that participate in this well-known meeting.

APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS FOR 2019 & 2020 MASTERCLASSES

This will be discussed in detail at our next REWG meeting in Berlin in order to find the best way to select the candidates for the coming years.

In summary, the REWG has by now set up a workable template for Masterclasses, that includes pre-, per- and post-event organisation and budget. Finding a topic, building a program with the local organisers, contact with the speakers, sharing information, managing the event within the educational goals according to ESCP aims, assessing the satisfaction of the attendance are now identified and established as cornerstones for a ESCP Masterclass success. The most difficult task still subject to last-minute change is to find and secure a sponsor for Masterclasses.

Paul-Antoine Lehur
Regional Events Working Group Committee Chair -
September 2017

COLORECTAL DISEASE REPORT FOR ESCP EXECUTIVE

INTRODUCTION

The journal is officially recognised by Index Medicus and is listed on Medline. The Journal's Impact Factor stands at 2.689 (July 2017), an increase on the previous year which was highlighted in a various marketing campaigns. During 2016 an app was launched for the journal. This has been promoted via newsletters, print materials, and on the journal and surgery web pages on Wiley Online Library. There are currently 334 users who have downloaded the app.

REVENUE

Total revenues for the year were £288,459. This represents a decline on the previous year of approx. £47,000. Member revenues from AGCPBI members decreased by £12,000 although revenues from other affiliated societies, and institutional sales remained broadly stable. Non-subscription revenues decreased by just over £27,000 in 2016 due to a decline in reprint and supplement sales.

Total costs were £160,834 which represents a decrease of nearly 14% and this has helped reduce the impact the decreased revenues have had on the monies due to ACPGBI. After the deduction of ACPGBI member revenues and publisher's overheads (at 5% of revenue, excluding ACPGBI members) the profit to be shared is £90,656, of which the ACPGBI is due 50% ie £41,249.

ESCP CO – OWNERSHIP

The co-ownership offer is 50:50 with the ACPGBI. The President of ACPGBI will chair an enlarged Journal Committee of both organisations. The ESCP will have equal opportunities with ACPGBI to publish its guidelines in the Journal, at the discretion of the Editor-in-Chief.

Block member subscriptions equitable to both the ACPGBI and ESCP (currently the ESCP pays €35,000 annually for a block member subscription) are being explored but not finalised. It was agreed that all members of both organisations should be subscribers to the Journal, regardless of the organisation through which they were subscribing.

AACP

AACP has been approached by another journal (whose identity is unknown) offering an affiliation and provision of the journal to its members at a lower price than the AACP is currently paying for *Colorectal Disease*.

The Journal is handling papers from Spain no differently from papers from other countries, and Spain is well represented on the editorial team. Claire Dowbekin noted that the Journal would lose around £15,000 annually if AACP were to cancel its members' subscription. No further information is available.

EDITORIAL OFFICE

The volume of submissions in 2017 to date was comparable to that in the previous few years, in particular for Original Articles and Systematic Reviews. Most submissions had been received from the UK, followed in order of size by China, Italy, the USA and a number of European countries. The overall acceptance rate was 29%, although 17% for Original Articles alone. Professor Mortensen and

the editorial team had been 'raising the bar' to ensure that the Journal does not accept too many papers, with enough copy now in hand to publish through to the January 2018 issue. The team of Editors had been expanded to 20 over the past year, with a broad range of handling times and acceptance rates across the team. Time to first decision for all article types was a median of 10 (0-86) days, this partly reflecting the fact that Professor Mortensen triaged out many papers. Time to acceptance was a median of 30 (0-126) days. These figures are comparable to other clinical journals published by Wiley.

ON-LINE ONLY PUBLICATION

A decision about moving to online-only publication could be deferred to discussions with the ESCP in Berlin in September. It is important for Wiley's institutional sales team, which is on the verge of negotiating 2018 subscriptions for institutions, to know the Journal's publication format. Claire Dowbekin undertook to liaise with the sales team about this, to explore the potential impact of online-only publication on advertising revenue, and to explore the financial implications for 'print on demand' publication.

Peter Dawson

Journal Representative ESCP Executive – September 2017

RESEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Committee: Dion Morton (Chair), Willem Bemelman, Peter Christensen, Eloy Espin Basany (ex officio/ESCP Secretary), Donato Altomare (ex officio), Thomas Pinkney, Carolynne Vaizey, Charles Knowles, Jérémie Lefevre, Oded Zmora, Søren Laurberg

The year has ended with a record participation in the ESCP supported audit on Left Colon, Sigmoid and Rectal Resections. The preliminary audit results shall be presented in Berlin. The Cohort study committee has been pleased to announce one publication from the 2015 Right Hemicolectomy Audit by *Colorectal Disease*. The same journal has recently accepted a further paper on Crohn's disease. The publications are great successes of the collaborative, which has to date assembled three annual audits. As a channel of disseminating evidence, publications are part of the strategy to improve the impact of research for the benefit of patients.

Communication has been a key theme in the last year to increase the impact of research, as well as to improve the participation of surgeons in research. The International Trials Map has been launched on the ESCP website and your feedback would be welcomed. The Map will be a key point of reference for colorectal trials and enable wider participation.

In order to help our members, keep abreast of new publications, the Research Committee has launched an initiative to provide on a regular basis a summary of a paper that it judged to be of interest and significance. The publication of such summaries shall occur on a monthly basis and the Research Committee keenly invites the readership for suggestions.

The Research Committee is welcoming to Berlin a delegation of patients from across Europe. The involvement of patients through all stages of research from setting research questions to disseminating findings should improve the work of the colorectal

clinical community. We look forward to seeing you at the first patient engagement symposium on Friday morning.

As the activities of the Committee have grown, we welcomed three new members to the committee: Christianne Buskens, Quentin Denost and Steven Brown. Please approach any committee members with further research ideas.

In the last year, the ESCP has established a new collaboration agreement with Intuitive regarding robotic research and is developing a further collaboration with a second company. Going forwards into 2017/18, the committee has set itself ambitious targets to develop cohort studies. We look forward to working with the ESCP membership through the year.

Dion Morton
Research Committee Chair – September 2017

GUIDELINES COMMITTEE UPDATE

Committee: Carolynne Vaizey (Chair), Willem Bemelman, Klaus Matzel, Mark Katory, Stéphanie Breukink

1. European Society of Coloproctology consensus on the surgical management of intestinal failure in adults.

ESCP Intestinal Failure Group: Vaizey CJ, Maeda Y, Barbosa E, Bozzetti F, Calvo J, Irtun Ø, Jeppesen PB, Klek S, Panisic-Sekeljic M, Papaconstantinou I, Pascher A, Panis Y, Wallace WD, Carlson G, Boermeester M. *Colorectal Disease*. 2016 June 18 (6):535-48.

2. ECCO-ESCP consensus on surgery for Crohn's Disease

Bemelman WA, Warusavitarne J, Sampietro GM, Serclova Z, Zmora O, Luglio G, de Buck van Overstraeten A, Burke JP, Buskens CJ, Francesco C, Amil Dias J, Eliakim R, Elosua T, Gecim IE, Kolacek S, Kierkus J, Kolho KL, Lefevre JH, Millan M, Panis Y, Pinkney T, Russell RK, Shwaartz C, Vaizey C, Yassin N, D'Hoore A; European Crohn's and Colitis Organisation (ECCO); European Society of Coloproctology (ESCP). *J Crohns Colitis*. 2017 May 11.

3. PROJECT 1: Gene and gender guidelines (GGG) for colorectal cancer

Steering Committee: Gareth Evans, Ashish Sinha, Andy Latchford, Toni Seppälä, Pal Moller, Gabriela Möslein

1. Tumour testing, algorithm, surgery in MSI without gene testing, biopsy = LS versus sporadic MSI (diagnosing LS, put at the beginning of the paper), identification including CMMRD
2. When start colonoscopy and interval, how to do it etc
3. Gynaecological cancers and prophylactic surgery at the time of a CRC
4. Chemoprevention
5. Lifestyle
6. Oncology...immunology PDI checkpoint inhibitors
7. Recent meeting in Florence, next meeting in Berlin

4. PROJECT 2: Protocol: Evidence and consensus on follow-up after primary colorectal cancer - an analysis of existing guidelines in Europe

Steering Committee: Ida Jakobsen, Vivian Bastiaenen, Pieter Tanis, Søren Laurberg

The study will follow three main steps, starting with a systematic search to identify potential relevant material to be included in the review. Following the search process is the selection of relevant literature and filtering of all irrelevant literature. Finally, a systematic assessment of the literature will take place. The assessment process will address the quality as well as the content of the included literature, and end up with a synopsis.

Search: April-May / Translation of non-English guidelines: May
Reviewing: May / Analysis/Synthesizing results: May-July
Paper: July-September / (Presentation ESCP – September 2017)

5. Int J Colorectal Dis. 2017 Jul;32(7):1091-1094. Protocol for the development of a Core Outcome Set (COS) for hemorrhoidal disease: an international Delphi study.

Steering Committee: van Tol RR, Melenhorst J, Dirksen CD, Stassen LPS, Breukink SO.

PURPOSE: Over the last decade, many studies were performed regarding treatment options for hemorrhoidal disease. Randomised controlled trials (RCTs) should have well-defined primary and secondary outcomes. However, the reported outcome measures are numerous and diverse. The heterogeneity of outcome definition in clinical trials limits transparency and paves the way for bias. The development of a core outcome set (COS) helps minimizing this problem. A COS is an agreed minimum set of outcomes that should be measured and reported in all clinical trials of a specific disease. The aim of this project is to generate a COS regarding the outcome of treatment after hemorrhoidal disease.

METHODS: A Delphi study will be performed by an international steering group healthcare professionals and patients with the intention to create a standard outcome set for future clinical trials for the treatment of hemorrhoidal disease. First, a literature review will be conducted to establish which outcomes are used in clinical trials for hemorrhoidal disease. Secondly, both healthcare professionals and patients will participate in several consecutive rounds of online questionnaires and a face-to-face meeting to refine the content of the COS.

DISCUSSION: Development of a COS for hemorrhoidal disease defines a minimum outcome-reporting standard and will improve the quality of research in the future.

6. PROJECT 3: Haemorrhoid treatments

Steering Committee: S.O. Breukink, R.R. van Tol, J. Kleijnen, A. Watson, D.F. Altomare, A. Joos, N. Qvist, J. Muris, C.J.M. Henquet

Steering Committee: 5 surgeons, 1 dermatologist, 1 general practitioner and 2 patients, supported by a full-time PhD-candidate Robin van Tol and methodologist Prof. Jos Kleijnen, experienced in systematic reviews and guideline development. They will follow the AGREE II criteria as much as possible (<http://www.agreetrust.org/agree-ii>).

Sections:

- diagnosis
- pre-operative care
- (surgical) interventions
- follow-up

It is expected that the development will take 12 months.

In summary, what we can present in September in Berlin is the literature search and the preliminary recommendations.

7. PROJECT 4: Guideline on the use of Mesh in the Pelvis

- Group 1: Perineal reconstruction
- **Eloy Espin** (*Group Leader*), van Ramshorst, Norcic, Kirzin,
- Group 2: Full thickness prolapse
- **Andre D’Hoore** (*Group Leader*), Bohm, O’Connell, Rautio
- Group 3: Obstructive defaecation (intussusception, rectocele, SRUS)
- **Paul-Antoine Lehur** (*Group Leader*), van Geluwe, Negoj, Gorissen, Kim
- Group 4: Misc (sphincter repair, RV fistula, TOPAS, others)
- **Lilli Lundby** (*Group Leader*), Warwick, Vaizey, Pares
- Systematic literature review done
- Will involve stakeholder involvement and public consultation
- Next meeting Berlin 2017



8. PROJECT 5: Transanal Proctectomy – Training, Indications and Technique

To establish guidelines for transanal proctectomy techniques for both cancer and benign disease. The guidelines will focus on training, technical steps and indications.

The suggested steering group for the initial meeting is:

Hompes (*UK*), Spinelli (*Italy*), Boni (*Italy*), Lacy (*Spain*), Bemelmann (*Netherlands*), Duynman (*Netherlands*), D’Hoore (*Belgium*), Aigner (*Germany*), Veittinger (*Austria?*), Benoist (*France?*), Miskovic (*UK*)

Suggested work packages:

- Systematic review of current evidence on the clinical effectiveness of TaTME for rectal cancer
- Systematic review of current evidence on the clinical effectiveness of TaPr for benign disease
- Training pathway: evidence on effective training
- methods, numbers needed to train, measuring competency
- Technical steps: consensus on standardised technical steps
- Initial meeting in Berlin (ESCP meeting)

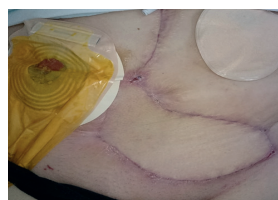
9. PROJECT 6: Development of a core outcome guideline for contaminated complex abdominal wall reconstruction.

Steering committee: JD Hodgkinson, C Vaizey, F de Vries, M Boermeester, (*further collaborators to be confirmed*)

Recently published systematic review data highlight the significant variability in outcomes reported within the literature in this field:

4-phase methodology:

1. Literature search
2. Generation of outcomes for inclusion
3. Prioritisation of outcomes by key-stakeholders
4. Finalisation of core outcomes by consensus meeting



10. PROPOSED NEXT PROJECT: Diverticulitis

Steering committee: Eva Angenete, Johannes Schultz, W Bemelman

ESCP AGM AGENDA BERLIN

**THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2017: 16:05 – 16:50
AT CITYCUBE, IN THE PLENARY HALL**

1	President’s Welcome and Report
2	Minutes of the AGM in Dublin on 24 September 2015 Minutes of the AGM in Milan on 29 September 2016
3	Adjustment to ESCP Rules Refer to summary appended to this agenda
4	Passing of special resolution To adopt new Articles of Association
5	Secretary’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership update • Honorary member update Committees reports - please see reports attached <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written reports for Education Committee, Communications Committee, Journal, Research Committee, Guidelines Committee, Membership Committee, Regional Events Working Group
6	Election of Officers and Ordinary Members of Council Executive Officers: including new appointments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President: Ethem Gecim • President Elect: Per J Nilsson • President in Waiting: Willem Bemelman • Secretary: Gabriela Möslein • Assistant Programme Chair: Des Winter • Communications Chair: Peter Christensen • Young ESCP Chair: Matteo Frasson Executive Officers: Demitting Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past President: Stefan Post • Secretary: Eloy Espin Basany Council Officers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Representatives (outgoing, incoming) • National Representatives (outgoing, incoming)
7	Treasurer’s Report
8	Trustee’s Report <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Re-election of all Trustees 2. Election of Auditors
9	Inauguration of new President
10	Close of meeting