

Minutes of the 46th EFOSA General Assembly Meeting

09.00 June 14th 2015 Welles room, Palazzo del Casino, Lido di Venezia

Attendance Limited to National Delegates and Invited Guests

Attendees:

Attendees:	Julian O'Neill	President	JO
	Bart Vande Vannet	Vice-President	BVV
	Kristin Heimisdottir	Secretary	KH
	Arni Thordarson	EOS co-opted member	AT
	Alain Vigie du Cayla	Council member	AVdC
Silvia Silli	Austria	Herbert Gusenleiter	Austria
Andrej Pavlic	Croatia	Stjepan Spalj	Croatia
Stathis Efstathiou	Cyprus	Janne Grönhøj	Denmark
Reet Karelson	Estonia	Raija Kiuru-Skyttä	Finland
Raija Kiuru-Skyttä	Finland	Jarkko Vuoriluoto	Finland
Yves Trin	France	Sascha Milkerheit	Germany
Alexandros Kokkas	Greece	Konstantinos Paradissis	Greece
Owen Crotty	Ireland	Matteo Spigaroli	Italy
Carmine Chiusolo	Italy	Pasquale D'Amico	Italy
Odile Hutereau	Luxembourg	Geri Mazeland	Netherlands
Melissa Disse	Netherlands	Ewa Czochrowska	Poland
Beata Walawska	Poland	Américo Ferraz	Portugal

Branislav Vidovic	Serbia	Gabriela Alexandrova	Slovakia
Irena Klímová	Slovakia	Luis Carlos Ojeda	Spain
Heidrun Kjellberg	Sweden	Barbara Jaeger	Switzerland
Otmar Kronenberg	Switzerland	Serdar Usumez	Turkey
Ilhan Ramoglu	Turkey	Alison Murray	UK
Jonathan Sandler	UK		

01. Opening and welcome from our host:

The meeting opened at 9:10. A one minute silence was held in honour of the memory of Prof. Francesca Miotti.

02. Apologies for absence and introduction of delegates and guests:

All delegates and guests introduced themselves. Owen Crotty from Ireland is concerned because of over-board contracts for health service. If there is a waiting list in their home country, a patient has the right to pursue treatment in another EU-country. This is well-known in the Netherlands, where patients are often treated in Belgium. It is also known, that German insurance companies are paying considerable amounts for health service treatment in Greece and Denmark. This might get complicated, if a public insured patient in one country receives treatment, performed in the private sector. Which fees should be paid for the treatment? Attached is a memo for further information.

Apologies were received from Malta, Latvia and Norway, Bulgaria was not represented.

03. Changes and amendments to the Agenda:

Some changes would be deemed necessary later in the day due to speakers' commitments.

04. Reports from the Council:

- **Report from the President**

The president has written letters of support for Spain and Austria, the only provisional members in EFOSA. Both countries are pursuing recognition of the specialty and have asked for support from EFOSA.

The meeting of the Platform for Oral Health last February concentrated on inequalities in dental care in different countries. They have produced a report of 36 pages, in which orthodontics is not mentioned at all. This is probably not relevant for us, but JO will follow up this work.

Future cooperation with EFP (European Federation of Periodontology) is being pursued. JO and KH met the outgoing President, Phoebus Madianos at the EuroPerio meeting beginning of June in London. A new president, Dr. Sören Jepsen, has recently been elected, and JO will contact him.

At the AAO meeting in San Francisco, JO BVV and CS had a meeting with Chris Vranas, Morris Poole and DeWayne McCamish (incoming president). This was an important meeting, giving a deeper understanding of how EFOSA is similar to AAO.

BVV commented that it might be possible for EFOSA to derive some funding from the European Union. BVV will check that, and JO will take care of communication, should there be any possibilities for funding of that kind.

Meeting with NEBEOP: Anne Marie Kuijpers-Jagtman (AMKJ), Stavros Kiliaridis (SK) and Pertti Pertimieni (PP) had a meeting with JO at the EOS-council meeting in London (Feb 2015). The Charles Bolender Award is aimed at supporting the NEBEOP project, i.e. by funding a lecturer for the Teachers' forum meeting at the EOS Congress. Some discussion about standardized examinations for the specialty in Europe was discussed and all agreed that movement in that direction would be good. The first steps would be a survey on national board examinations in Europe.

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Report from the Secretary

It has been difficult to find all the email addresses. However, with some effort, all members have been reached. Apologies for the GAM have been received from Norway, Malta and Latvia and there was no response from Bulgaria.

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Report from the Treasurer

The report was presented by JO in the absence of Christian Scherer: EFOSA holds approximately € 63.000.- As income and expenditures show a comfortable surplus, and continue to be balanced in the treasurer's forecast for 2015 – 2016, no changes in membership fees are necessary at this time.

05. Auditors' report and discharge of the Council regarding the responsibilities concerning the accounts of the past financial year (2014-2015):

The auditors did not confirm this report, since Ivo Marek was unexpectedly absent and Beata Walawska did not receive the documents from the treasurer. The auditors will give their written statement to the council, as soon as they have received the files. If the auditors accept the accounting, the report and the accounts are considered accepted by the delegates.

06. Presentation on EOS meeting 2016, Stockholm:

Professor Jan Huggare gave a presentation on next year's EOS-Congress, which will take place in Stockholm June 11-16th 2016.

07. ESAS and potential developments:

The programme is mostly used by orthodontists in the Netherlands. It is also used by post-graduate students at Jonkoping University in Sweden. There has been a request from Holland to make ESAS more user-friendly, but this will cost additional money. Since other countries are not using this, it is probably appropriate that the Netherlands will bear some of that cost. The representatives from Holland (GM and MD) agree on that. EFOSA will check on the problems that need to be solved and costs involved.

JO

08. EFOSA projects:

- **Radiation Guidelines**

There is an increasing use of CBCT, which is positive because of potentially lower radiation using restricted fields in contemporary machines. An update this autumn is expected and BVV will keep track and inform us.

BVV

- **EFOSA / AAO join working**

Welcome and Introduction of Drs Morris Poole, DeWayne McCamish and Chris Vranas, AAO representatives.

Dr. Poole addressed the problem in the USA of investors, hiring young orthodontists to work in their companies. Young orthodontists hesitate to establish their own business, partly because of high education fees and resulting debts; and partly because of more individuals working part-time. The trend is that female orthodontists work for corporate organizations and males establish their own business.

Dr. McCamish informed the meeting that 29% of AAO income pays for educating the public and developing consumer awareness programs. All members of AAO can use all material and logo provided.

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09. Website:

The development and possible upgrade cost estimate is 10.000 Euros. Since the EFOSA website is not a competitive website, it will probably only be needed to "freshen up" the existing site. A new logo would be positive to produce a more user-friendly environment.

10. Private orthodontic courses in the EU:

Private orthodontic courses are available i.e. at London BBP, Newcastle and Warwick as well in Spain and other European countries. These are not recognized for specialist training. However,

a lot of dentists are attending these courses and they represent themselves as certified specialists. It is important for all EFOSA members to be aware of the difference between these courses and an Erasmus Based orthodontic program. There seems to be a problem that the dental associations i.e. in Turkey and Austria support these courses.

11. Charles Bolender EFOSA Award

The Charles Bolender Award is aimed at supporting the NEBEOP project, i.e. by funding a lecturer for the Teachers' forum meeting at the EOS Congress. This will be funded by EFOSA.

12. EFOSA and NEBEOP:

Anne Marie Kuijpers-Jagtman, Stavros Kiliaridis and Pertti Pertimieni visited the GAM and SK presented progress with NEBEOP. 15 university programmes have already been fully accredited with 6 more to be accepted very soon and 56 Universities are participating in the programme, either as full members or provisional members. It is important to encourage all universities with orthodontic specialty programmes, which could fulfill the requirements, to apply. Some discussion about standardized examinations for the specialty in Europe took place and all agreed that movement in that direction would be good. The first steps would be a survey on national board examinations in Europe. Attached is the presentation from Prof. Kiliaridis.

13. Presentation - 8th IOC London 2015

Jonathan Sandler

14. Any other Business:

Nomination committee:

Ewa Czochrowska and Melisse Disse were proposed and Alexandros Kokkas continues as chairman for the Nomination committee for a further year. The meeting approved wholeheartedly.

Get-together party and costs:

It has been difficult to work with the PCO in Venice. Only very late, it was announced that SIDO would not sponsor the get-together party. SIDO, which is not a member of EFOSA, did offer to host the get-together guests within another dinner party, but this offer was made only a few days before the meeting. It was decided to keep to the original plan and that EFOSA would pay for the get-together this time. The budget was reduced as much as possible by CS.

20. Date and Venue of Next Meeting:

The EOS congress is 11-16th of June in Stockholm, Sweden. The get-together will be held on Saturday the 11th of June and GAM on Sunday the 12th of June.

21. Closure of Meeting.

