



EUROPEAN RADIATION RESEARCH SOCIETY

- Minutes of General Assembly Meeting -

Version of November 11 2014

Rhodes, Greece, 41th Annual Meeting of the European Radiation Research Society 2014

ERRS General Assembly Meeting (Thursday September 18, 2014 16:30pm - 18:00pm)

Present at ERRS GA meeting:

ERRS Members:

Katalin Lumnitzky (HU); George Jones (UK); Wolfgang Dörr (AU); Sarah Baatout (BE); Gabriel Pantelias (GR); Lorenzo Manti (IT); Fiona Lyng (IE); Marek Janiak (PL); Kecke Elmroth (SE); Klaas Franken (NL); Philippe Voisin (F); Michal Hofer (CZ); Andrzej Wojcik (SE); Tine Verreet (BE); Ellina Macaeava (BE); Bjorn Baselet (BE); Anna Lankoff (PL); Roel Quintens (BE); Kerstin Borgmann (DE); George Iliakis (DE); Aurélie Charazac (FR); Gunnar Brunborg; Aneta Cheda (PL); Ewa M. Nowosielska (PL); Ulrike Kulka (DE); Christian Johannes (DE); Bob Coppes (NL); Vasiliki Hatzis (GR); Maria Antonella Tabocchini (IT); Francesca M Perozziello (IT); Nora Hocine (FR); Gianfranco Grossi (IT)

Apologies:

Mats Harms-Ringdahl (SE), Marjan Moreels (BE).

Proxies:

Marjan Moreels (proxy S. Baatout), Oleg Belyakov (proxy: F Lyng), Balazs Madas (proxy: G. Safrany), Peter Sminia (proxy: R. Coppes)

1. Approval of agenda

A copy of the agenda is distributed to the ERRS members. The agenda is presented. A list of attendance is circulated for signing by the attendees. The proxy forms are collected by the secretary-treasurer as well as cash payment for membership fees.

Final agenda of the ERRS General Assembly meeting 2014

1. Approval of the agenda
2. President's welcome address
3. Minutes of the last General Assembly (Dublin, Ireland)
4. Composition of the Council (1st January 2014-1st January 2015)
5. Bacq and Alexander Award (2014)
6. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer: Account for 2013
7. Young Investigator Awards and YIA for 2015 (Kyoto)
8. ERRS Member applications : New applications - Resignations - Exclusions

9. ERRS memberships
10. ERRS Bylaws
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13. Relationship with Melodi (MoU), Horizon 2020 and European Joint Programming
14. Miscellaneous

The agenda is approved.

2. President's address

The President welcomes the members.

3. Minutes of the last Council Meeting (Dublin, 2013)

The report of the last Council Meeting (Dublin 2013) was sent to all GA members per e-mail. The final version is approved.

4. ERRS Composition of the Council (1st January 2014/1st January 2015)

- Wolfgang Dörr (Austria) President 2015-2016 (2013-2016 not re-electable)
- George Jones (UK) (2013-2016 not-re-electable) (past President 2013-2014)
- Mats Harms-Ringdahl (Stockholm, Sweden) Honorary President (2013-2015)
- Sarah Baatout (Belgium) – Secretary-Treasurer (2013-2016, re-electable)
- Michal Hofer (Czech Republic) (2013-2016 re-electable)
- ~~Philippe Voisin (France) (2012-2015 not re-electable)~~
- Lorenzo Manti (Italy) (2013-2016 not re-electable)
- Katalin Lumniczky (Hungary) 2013-2016 not re-electable)
- Marek Janiak (Poland) (2013-2016 re-electable)
- Franken Klaas (Netherlands) (2014-2017 not re-electable)
- Pantelias Gabriel (Greece) (2014-2017 not re-electable)
- Kecke Elmroth (Sweden) (2014-2017 not re-electable)
- Marjan Moreels (Belgium) (2014-2017 re-electable)
- Fiona Lyng (Ireland) (2014-2017 re-electable)
- Kerstin Borgmann (Germany) (2015-2018, re-electable)
- Marc Benderitter (France) (2015-2018, re-electable)

The mandate as President of George Don Jones will finish at the end of 2014. The President will then become Wolfgang Dörr (who is currently vice-president) for the years 2015-2016.

Lorenzo Manti is indicated by the council as next vice-president of the ERRS for the years 2015-2016. The GA approves.

Marc Benderitter is designated to represent France from January 2015.

Germany, which has 14 members within the ERRS, is currently not represented within the council. Kerstin Borgmann is designated to represent Germany from January 2015.

The issue of the Honorary President is discussed. The position is currently held by prof. Matts Harms-Ringdhal, who has asked the Council to step down for personal reasons. A replacement is therefore needed and will be chosen by the Council.

5. Bacq and Alexander Award.

The laureate for 2014: Fiona Stewart (NKI, Amsterdam, NL)

Fiona Stewart was elected awardee of the B&A award for 2014.

Fiona Stewart has presented her lecture on Tuesday 16 September at 16.30-17.30.

6. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Each member of the GA receives a copy of the financial report.

Balance, Incomes and Expenses for 2013

Report for 2013	Incomes (EUR)	Expenses (EUR)	
Membership fees	2606.88	Fee for IARR	404
Bank interest	330.9	Bank costs	49.8
Benefit from ERRS Vietri	11937.85	Ogone	135.76
		Administrative costs	72.38
		YIA awards	4993.56
		Poster awards	250
		B&A award	662.11
Total	14875.63	Total	6567.61 EUR

Balance: 37088.68 + 14875.63 - 6567.61 = 45396.7 EUR
Balance incomes – expenses: 14875.63 – 6567.61 = 8308.02 EUR

Bank accounts:

On 1/1/2013: 37088.68 EUR

On 1/1/2014: 45396.7 EUR

Provisional budget for 2014

Incomes (EUR)

Membership fees 2014 2500
Bank interest 300

Total 2800

Expenses (EUR)

IARR fee 404
YIA Awards 7500
Poster Awards 250
B&A award 800
Ogone 140
Bank costs 50

Total 9144

The financial report of the Vietri sul Mare meeting in 2012 was beneficial: 11937,85 € (corresponding to 50% of the benefits) that was paid to ERRS in 2013. Congratulations to the Italian organisation! The Dublin conference was break even.

One YIA award from last year could not be paid (Alsu Dyukina, Russia) and has been finally paid in 2014.

Two financial reviewers have reviewed the accountancy for 2013: Andrzej Woczik (SE) and Géza Safrany (HU). Both approved and signed the financial report.

The treasurer report for the accountancy of 2013 is accepted. The President signs the report.

7. Young Scientist awards

As for each annual meeting, awards (525 EUR for ERRS members or 475EUR+ 2 year ERRS membership) have been available.

This year, 15 awards were given for young scientists to participate in the ERRS Rhodes meeting. 28 candidates applied on time. 2 applied too late.

The CV as well as the wealth of the country of origin of the applicants was taken into account.

All members of the council voted.

List of YIA awardees:

First name	Name	Gender	~Age	Current position	Country of Origin	Country of Work	EUR
Jane	Bryant	F	31	postdoc	Ireland	Ireland	475
Pankaj	Chaudhary	M	35	postdoc	India	Ireland	475
Nikolett	Sandor	F	33	PhD student	Hungary	Hungary	475
Emiliano	Fratini	M	32	postdoc	Italy	Italy	475
Emilie	Rannou	F	27	PhD student	France	France	475
Soni	Ashosh	M	35	postdoc	India	Germany	475
Peter	Nagle	M	28	PhD student	Netherlands	Netherlands	475
Matus	Durdik	M	25	PhD student	Slovakia	Slovakia	475
Bjorn	Baselet	M	24	PhD student	Belgium	Belgium	525
Aneta	Wegierek	F	32	postdoc	Poland	Poland	525
Aurélie	Charazac	F	26	PhD student	France	France	475
Ellina	Macaeva	F	27	PhD student	Moldavia	Belgium	525
Katalin	Dobos	F	33	postdoc	Hungary	Hungary	475
Francesca	Perozziello	F	27	PhD student	Italy	Italy	475
Pavol	Kosik	M	28	PhD student	Slovakia	Slovakia	475

8 Females/9 Males 6 postdocs/9 PhDs Mean age: 29.5yo
Country of origin: 2IE/2HU/2IT/2FR/2BE/2SLO/1DE/1NL/1PO

Selection procedure:

For next year, the YIA will be restricted to researchers of 35 years and younger (including MSc, PhD or postdocs) with a maximum of 3 year experience after PhD completion. A new form to be filled in by the YIA candidates for next year selection will be prepared.

Number of YIA for ICRR in Japan:

8 awards of 750 EUR will be given for the joint ERRS/ICRR meeting to be held in Kyoto next year. Since the ICRR deadline for abstract submission is November 30, the YIA campaign will be launched in October 2014.

8. ERRS Member applications: New applications – Resignations - Exclusions

Applications: so far, 21 new applications in 2014 (11 spontaneous sent for approval from the council and via the YIA competition)

An Aerts (BE)
Roel Quintens (BE)
Ellina Macaeva (BE) YIA
Bjorn Baselet (BE) YIA

Kerstin Borgmann (DE)
Markus Hecht (DE)
Soni Ashosh (DE) YIA

Emilie Rannou (FR) YIA
Aurélie Charazac (FR) YIA

Katalin Dobos (HU) YIA

Jane Bryant (IE) YIA
Pankaj Chadhaury (IE) YIA
Fiona Lyng (IE)

Emiliano Fratini (IT) YIA

Rob Coppes (NL)
Peter Nagle (NL) YIA

Elizaveta Moskaleva (RU)

Hooshang Nikjoo (SE)
Lei Cheng (SE)

Matus Durdik (SLO) YIA
Pavol Kosik (SLO) YIA

Resignation: 0

Retired: 13

FEINENDEGEN	Ludwig	DE
HIDVEGI		HU
NATARAJAN		NL
WEISS	J.F.	USA
de SAINT-GEORGES	Louis	BE
JACQUET	Paul	BE
STREFFER	Christian	DE
FRANKENBERG-SCHWAGER	Marlis	DE
SIMONE	Giustina	IT
BARENSEN		
REZVANI	Mohi	UK
HARMS-RINGDAHL	Mats	SE
SPOTHEIM-MAURIZ	Mélanie	FR

As said above, Mats Harms-Ringdahl is stepping down as ERRS honorary president.
Rezvani Mohi is representing the ERRS at the IARR

Exclusions: 4

Abdollahi Hamid (Iran)
Bulat Tanja (Serbia)
Josefsson Anders (SE)
Pugliese Gabriella (IT)

According to the council decision the members not having regularized the membership fees the last three years have to be contacted and noticed before their withdrawal. This will be done in December at the end of the membership year.

The current membership of ERRS amounts to 143.

107 members are in order with membership fee (for 81 in 2012) + 7 retired scientists from **22 countries = 100 members in total**

36 members are not in order with their payment for 2014.

Number of members by country:

Armenia	1
Austria	3
Belgium	11
Canada	4
Czech Republic	10
Finland	3
France	9
Germany	14
Greece	5
Hungary	15
Ireland	3
Italy	13
Jordania	1
Japan	4
Netherlands	11
Poland	7
Russia	12
Serbia	1
Slovakia	3
Sweden	17
UK	7
USA	3

By descending order:

Sweden	17
Hungary	15

Germany	14
Italy	13
Russia	12
The Netherlands	11
Belgium	11
Czech Republic	10
France	9
Poland	7
United Kingdom	7
Greece	5
Canada	4
Japan	4
Austria	3
Finland	3
USA	3
Slovakia	3
Ireland	3
Serbia	1
Jordania	1
Armenia	1

A strategy is discussed in order to continue to increase the number of members.

9. ERRS membership fees

The ERRS GA approves not to change the ERRS membership fee. It will thus stay at 25 EUR/year.

10. ERRS bylaws

It is suggested to all the members to read carefully the bylaws and report their comments to the secretary if they ever wish to make any amendments.

No change in the bylaws is asked by the GA members.

11. Website.

No remark concerning the website. Andrzej Woznik is thanked for taking care of the ERRS website.

12. Forthcoming meetings

2015

No specific ERRS meeting will be organised in Europe since the ICRR2015 (organised every 4 years) will take place in Kyoto, Japan from 23-29 May. As support, the ERRS members are invited to join the ICRR conference. An ERRS GA, Council meeting, B&A ceremony and YIA selected lectures will be part of the ICRR programme.

2016

Amsterdam: The Netherlands: The Dutch Society for Radiobiology has proposed to host the ERRS annual meeting in 2016 in Amsterdam (provisional dates are 4-8 September 2016). The proposal is accepted by the GA members.

2017

Suggestion from the council/GA is to hold the 2017 meeting in Germany.

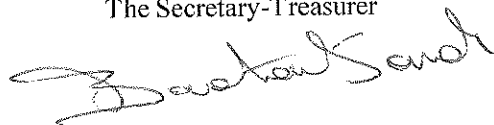
13. Relationship with MELODI (MoU), Horizon 2020 and European Joint Programming

- Contacts have been taken with MELODI (Eur. platform on low dose radiation research)
- An MoU between MELODI and ERRS has been recently signed by ERRS. This will be discussed at the MELODI Board/GA meeting on Oct. 6, 2014, in Barcelona. W. Dörr will be present there.

14. Miscellaneous

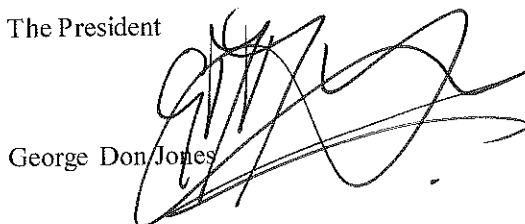
- Overview of ERRS meeting in Rhodes (200 participants, 2 sponsors).
- Report from IARR council meeting: ICRR conference in 2019 will be in Manchester (main organiser is Kaye Williams).
- ERRS-EURADOS Newsletter: Contributions to Eurados newsletter from ERRS members are always welcome.

The Secretary-Treasurer



Sarah Baatout

The President



George Don Jones