



## EUROPEAN RADIATION RESEARCH SOCIETY

### - Minutes of ERRS General Assembly Meeting 2020 -

#### Version to be approved by the ERRS General Assembly 2021

ERRS General Assembly meeting, Lund Sweden, virtual conference 2020, 13-17  
September  
(Wednesday 16 September 2020, 11 am -12 am)  
Virtual Teams meeting

#### Present at ERRS 2020 General Assembly meeting

##### ERRS General Assembly Members:

*Council members:* Mieke Verslegers, Sarah Baatout, Ester Hammond, Fiona Lyng, Georgia Terzoudi, Peter Sminia, Soile Tapio, Marc Benderitter

*Other members:* Andryej Wojcik, Anna Fogtman, Annemarie Schröder, Auchi Inalegwu, Bjorn Baselet, Francesco Cammarata, Eva Bozsaky, Angelica Facoetti, Cristian Fernandez Palomo, Francois Chevalier, Gaia Pucci, Joao Seco, Kim Röder, Laure Sabatier, Magdalena Plodowska, , Martha Habibi, Mats Harms-Ringdahl, Milagrosa Lopez Riego, Nina Frederike Edin, Pamela Akuwudike, Rob Coppes, Laurence Roy, Udo Gaipf, Verdiana Trappetti, Yannick Saintigny

##### Excused:

Council members: Lorenzo Manti (IT, proxy Georgia Terzoudi), Marek Janiak, Geza Safrany, Gerhardt Kraft, Michal Hofer, Siamak Haghdoost

##### Proxies: 1

### 1. Approval of agenda

A copy of the agenda was distributed per mail to all ERRS members before the conference. The agenda is presented. No points are added to the agenda. A list of attendance was collected via Teams. The proxy forms were collected and reported by the secretary-treasurer before the conference.

#### Final agenda of the ERRS GA meeting 2020

1. Approval of the agenda
2. President's welcome address
3. Minutes of the last GA meeting (Manchester, UK)

4. Composition of the Council (1st January 2021-1st January 2022)
5. Bacq and Alexander Award (2020)
6. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer: Account for 2019
7. Young Investigator Awards for 2020 (Lund, Sweden)
8. ERRS Member applications : New applications - Resignations - Exclusions
9. ERRS memberships
10. ERRS Bylaws
11. Website
12. Forthcoming meetings 2021 (Caen, France), 2022 (Catania, Italy), 2023 (17<sup>th</sup> ICRR, Montreal Canada)
13. ERRS representative at IARR
14. Miscellaneous

A final agenda was sent by e-mail to the GA members before the meeting. The agenda was presented and discussed. No new points were added to the agenda.

The agenda was approved.

## **2. President's address**

A warm welcome address was given by Fiona Lyng, ERRS President (2019-2020).

## **3. Minutes of the last GA Meeting (Manchester, United Kingdom 2019)**

The report of the last GA Meeting (Manchester, UK) was sent to all GA members per e-mail. The final version of the GA Minutes 2019 was approved. The minutes of the GA meeting 2019 was posted for download on the ERRS website : [http://www.errs.eu/ERRS\\_downloads.htm](http://www.errs.eu/ERRS_downloads.htm)

## **4. ERRS Composition of the Council (1<sup>st</sup> January 2021-1<sup>st</sup> January 2022)**

- **Fiona Lyng (Ireland) Past-President 2021-2022 (2018-2021, not-re-el)**
- **Georgia Terzoudi (Greece) President 2021-2022 (2018-2021 re-el.)**
- **Peter Sminia (The Netherlands) Vice-President 2021-2022 (2018-2021 re-el)**
- **Angelica Facoetti (Italy) (2020-2023, re-electable)**
- Gerhard Kraft (Germany) Honorary President (2018-2020); **proposal for replacement**
- Sarah Baatout (Belgium) – Secretary/Treasurer (2021-2024, re-electable)
- **Mieke Verslegers (Belgium) – Deputy Secretary (2021-2024, re-electable)**
- Michal Hofer (Czech Republic) (2017-2021 not re-electable)
- Marek Janiak (Poland) (2017-2021 not re-electable)
- Marc Benderitter (France) (2019-2023 not re-electable)
- Siamak Haghdoost (Sweden) (2017-2021, re-electable)
- Ester Hammond (UK) (2017-2021, re-electable)
- Géza Safrany (Hungary) (2017-2021, re-electable)
- Soile Tapio (Germany) (2019-2022 re-electable)
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Changes in the composition of the council from 2021 to 2022 are indicated in bold. There is no resignation within the council members. The mandate of Austria (replacement of Wolfgang Doerr) will be proposed to Oleg Belyakov. As action points: The ERRS will contact Oleg Belyakov to represent Austria. The ERRS council will discuss and propose a new candidate for the position of honorary president to replace Gerhard Kraft who is now finishing his mandate by the end of 2020.

The new composition of the council was subject to an online voting. The new composition has been agreed by the GA attendees.

## **5. Bacq and Alexander Award.**

Each year ERRS has the pleasure to reward a scientist for his/her exceptional contribution to the progress of radiation science.

6 candidates were proposed by the council. All council members of the council voted (3 points for best- 2 points 2<sup>nd</sup> best -1 point 3<sup>rd</sup> best) + 1 abstention. The results of the selection were the following:

### ***Gabriel Pantelias, Greece : 19 points***

*Ester Hammond, UK : 16 points*

*Laure Sabatier, France : 12 points*

*Munira Kadhim, UK : 12 points*

*Elisabeth Cardis, Spain : 9 points*

*Hubert Thierens, Belgium : 9 points*

### **The laureate for the B&A award 2020: *Gabriel Pantelias (Greece)***

Gabriel Pantelias was invited to give a lecture on Wednesday September 16 2020 (15.30-16.10) at the virtual ERRS meeting, entitled "Premature chromosome condensation as a powerful tool for dose estimation and individualised long-term risk assessment following exposure to different radiation qualities.

A medal and a certificate will be offered to the laureate by the ERRS. ERRS conference registration costs are covered by ERRS.

## **6. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer**

**- Accountancy year 2019 -**

### **Balance, Incomes and Expenses for 2019**

<b>Report for 2019 Incomes (EUR)</b>		<b>Expenses (EUR)</b>	
Membership fees	2871.85	Fee for IARR (120 members)	480
Benefit Essen 2017	10000	Bank + administrative costs	540.58
		YIA awards (Manchester)	6827.83
		B&A award	1948.84
<b>Total</b>	<b>12871.85 EUR</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>9797.25 EUR</b>

**Balance 2019: 16786.64 + 12871.85 – 9797.25 = 19861.24 EUR**

**Balance 2019 incomes – expenses: 12871.85 – 9797.25 = 3074.6 EUR**

**Bank accounts:**

On 1/1/2019: 16786.64 EUR

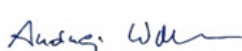
On 1/1/2020: 19861.24 EUR

**ERRS treasurer**



**S. Baatout**

**External financial reviewers**



**A. Wojcik**



**K. Lumniczky**

**ERRS President**



**F. Lyng**

**Provisional budget for 2020**

**Incomes (EUR)**

Membership fees 2020      2500

**Total                              2500**

**Expenses (EUR)**

IARR fee                              480  
 Poster Awards Lund              250  
 B&A award Lund                    700  
 YIA Lund                              3750  
 Other costs                            500

**Total                              5680**

The Projected benefit for ERRS 2019 (Manchester, UK) is 0 EUR.

Two financial reviewers have reviewed the accountancy for 2019: *Andrzej Woczik (SE)* and *Katalin Lumniczky (HU)*. Both approved and signed the financial reports.

The president has approved the accountancy for 2019.

A voting poll was launched via the Teams application. The treasurer report for the accountancy of 2019 was accepted by the GA.

**7. Young Investigator awards**

As for each annual meeting, awards have been available.

At the ERRS 2019 meeting in Manchester, it had been decided by the council to give 15 awards for young scientists (500 EUR for ERRS members or 450 EUR+ 2 year ERRS membership). Due to the COVID situation and the change into a virtual conference, the council decided to offer 25 awards of 150 EUR.

The YIA competition was advertised on the website and to all ERRS members. It was proposed to take into account the fact to not give a YIA to candidates who had already received a YIA from ERRS during the past 3 years. The CV as well as the wealth of the country of origin of the applicants was taken into account.

Profile of the 36 candidates who submitted their application:

**Country of origins:**

**Europe:** BE (7), DE (6), FR (5), IT (5), NL (3), GR (2), IE (1), SE (1), PO (1), NO (1), CH (1)

**Outside Europe:** CA (2)

**Gender:** 28 Females & 8 Males

**Profiles:** Postdoc: 4; PhD students: 31; Scientists: 2

**Mean age: 27.5 years old**

3 candidates were excluded:

- Had already received a YIA during the past 3 years
- File not complete

**List of YIA awardees:**

First name	Name	Gender	City	Country
Anna	Kristein	F	Munich	Germany
Samia	Chaouni	F	Caen	France
Gaia	Pucci	F	Palermo	Italy
Sandra	Bicher	F	Munich	Germany
Segolene	Ladaigue	F	Fontenay-aux-roses	France
Chiara	Feoli	F	Naples	Italy
Viacheslav	Shcherbakov	M	Orsay	France
Valerio	Ricciardi	M	Caserta	Italy
Alessio	Parisi	M	Mol	Belgium
Verdiana	Trappetti	F	Bern	Switzerland
Isabella	Guardamagna	F	Pavia	Italy
Milagrosa	Lopez Riego	F	Stockholm	Sweden
Evi	Duthoo	F	Ghent	Belgium
Martha	Habibi	F	Athens	Greece
Delmon	Arous	M	Oslo	Norway
Magdalena	Plodowska	F	Kielce	Poland

Simon	Sioen	M	Ghent	University
Timo	Smit	M	Darmstadt	Germany
Shari	Wouters	F	Mol	Belgium
Aggeliki	Nikolakopoulou	F	Athens	Greece
Biche	Osong	M	Maastricht	The Netherlands
Lisa	Hintz	F	Heidelberg	Germany
Jade	Monaghan	F	Dublin	Ireland
Lorain	Geenen	F	Mol	Belgium
Annemarie	Schröder	F	Rostock	Germany

### Number of YIA for ERRS 2021 in Caen, France:

The council has decided to give 10 awards of 450/500 EUR for the meeting to be held in Caen, France, next year.

Awardees should inform ERRS how to honour the award (cash, bank transfer, cheque, ...).

Awardees will be informed as well that in case of not showing up or not presenting their YIA abstract at the conference, they will be obliged to return the money back to ERRS.

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

**Applications:** so far, 30 new applications in 2020 (spontaneous membership requests or via the YIA competition)

Belgium (7)		France (5)		The Netherlands (2)		Canada (1)	
ACKE	Britt	BRAGA COHEN	Sarah	GIURANNO	Lorena	MAYENBURG	Jessica
BECKER	Guillaume	CHAOUNI	Samia	OSONG AKULI	Biche		
GEENEN	Lorain	GATIN	Anouchka				
HEYNICKX	Nathalie	LADAIGUE	Segolene	<b>Greece (2)</b>		<b>Norway (1)</b>	
PARISI	Alessio	SHCHERBAKOV	Viacheslav	HABIBI	Martha	AROUS	Delmon
RIBEIRO	Jessica			NIKOLAKOPOULOU	Aggeliki		
WOUTERS	Shari						
Germany (6)		Italy (5)		Poland (2)		UAE (1)	
BICHER	Sandra	CIAMARONE	Federica	MALISSZEWSKA	Kamila	DHRUTI	Mistry
HINTZ	Lisa	FACOETTI	Angelica	PLODOWSKA	Magdalena		
KIRSTEIN	Anna	FEOLI	Chiara				
ROEDER	Kim	GUARDAMAGNA	Isabella				
SCHROEDER	Annemarie	RICCIARDI	Valerio				
SMIT	Timo						

**Deceased:** 1 Wolfgang DOERR, AT

**Exclusions** on 01/01/2021: 3

Exclusion of 3 members not having paid membership the last 3 years

BYLAWS, ARTICLE FIVE *The annual contribution, due by the effective associated and student members, will be fixed each year by the Council. It cannot be higher than the sum of one*

hundred euros. Any member late of payment of three contributions will cease being part of the Society.

AUTSAVAPROMPORN	Narongchai	TH
BAIOCCO	Giorgio	IT
BAKSHI	Mayur	DE

### **Retired: 14**

FEINENDEGEN	Ludwig	M	DE
HOPEWELL	John W	M	UK
WEISS	J.F.	M	USA
de SAINT-GEORGES	Louis	M	BE
PACHIEROTTI	francesca	F	IT
STREFFER	Christian	M	DE
FRANKENBERG-SCHWAGER	Marlis	F	DE
REZVANI	Mohi	M	UK
HARMS-RINGDAHL	Mats	M	SE
TURAI	Istvan	M	HU
SPOTHEIM-MAURIZ	Mélanie	F	FR
VOISIN	Philippe	M	FR
KRAFT	Gerhard	M	DE
BRUNDBORG	Gunnar	M	NO

### **Resignation: 1**

Eva Bozsaky, AT

### **Overview of new member applications**

The actual number of ERRS members is 340 in 2020.

- 21 new in 2014
- 44 new in 2015
- 42 new in 2016
- 39 new in 2017
- 19 new in 2018
- 71 new in 2019
- **30 new in 2020**

### **Country of origin from members**

**Number of members by country: 34 countries in 2020 (1+)** (22 countries in 2013, 27 countries in 2014, 28 countries in 2015 (2+ & 1-), 29 countries in 2016 (2+ & 1-), 30 countries in 2017 (2+ & 1-), 31 countries in 2018 (2+, 1-), 33 countries in 2019 (2+))

Australia	1		
Austria	5	Poland	10 (8 in 2019)
Belarus (new 2018)	4	Russia	13
Belgium	42 (35 in 2019)	Serbia	2
Canada	8 (7 in 2019)	Slovakia	2
Croatia	1	Slovenia (new 2016)	1
Czech Republic	12	South Africa (new 2018)	4
Denmark (new 2017)	1	Switzerland (new 2017)	2
France	44 (39 in 2019)	Sweden	21
Germany	50 (45 in 2019)	Thailand	1
Ghana (new 2019)	1	<b>UAE (new in 2020)</b>	<b>1</b>
Greece	10 (8 in 2019)	Ukraine	2
Hungary	19	UK	25
India (new 2019)	1	USA	4
Ireland	5		
Italy	34 (30 in 2019)		
Japan	6		
Kurdistan	1		
Netherlands	23 (21 in 2019)		
Norway	4 (3 in 2019)		

We welcome 1 new country (**UAE**).

Germany	50 (best progression in 2018)
France	44 (best progression in 2018)
Belgium	42 ( <b>best progression in 2020</b> )
Italy	34
UK	25
Netherlands	23
Sweden	21
Hungary	19
Russia	13
Czech Republic	12
Poland	10
Greece	10
Canada	8
Japan	6
Austria	5
Ireland	5
Belarus	4
USA	4
South Africa	4
Norway	4
Ukraine	2
Slovakia	2
Switzerland	2
Serbia	2



Australia	1
Croatia	1
Slovenia	1
Kurdistan	1
Denmark	1
Thailand	1
Ghana	1 (new comer 2018)
India	1 (new comer 2018)
<b>UAE</b>	<b>1 (new comer 2020)</b>

## 9. ERRS membership fees

The ERRS council has decided not to change the ERRS membership fee. It will thus stay at 25 EUR/year and was proposed to the GA.

## 10. ERRS bylaws

It was suggested to all the Council 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 was asked by the Council members.

## 11. Website.

- The website of ERRS : <http://www.errs.eu>
- Provided free of charge by SCK CEN (Belgium)
- Webmaster : Andrzej Wojcik
- Andrzej Wojcik was warmly thanked by the council for his work.

No remarks were raised by the GA.

## 12. Forthcoming meetings

- 46<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting – 23-27/8/2021- Caen, France
  - Local organisers: François Chevalier, Siamak Haghdoost
- 47<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting – 2022 - Catania, Italy
- 17<sup>th</sup> ICRR – 27/8-1/9/2023 - Montreal, Canada
- 48<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting – 2024 - Belgium

## 13. ERRS representative at IARR

Update from IARR GA/council meeting was given by Fiona Lyng.

The next ICRR will take place in Manchester in 2023 in Montreal, Canada.

#### 14. Miscellaneous

- Warm thanks to the leaving member of the board (Lorenzo Manti, IT) and to the President for her excellent 2 year mandate.
- Tax form filled in and submitted in October 2020
- Annual accountancy and minutes sent to the tribunal of trade (October 2020)
- Any valuable information should be communicated to the Secretary for distribution to the members.
- 5 poster prizes will be given during the closing ceremony

No other remarks were raised by the GA.

The local organizers of the ERRS Lund conference were congratulated and thanked. The council was thanked for their work all through the year and the support to the ERRS. All ERRS members were thanked for their presentations during the conference and their continuous support.

The Secretary-Treasurer



Sarah Baatout – Mieke Verslegers

The President



Fiona Lyng