

EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR RADIATION BIOLOGY

Minutes of the Council meeting hold in Budapest, August 26, 2004

Present :

J. BONIVER (Belgium), W. DÖRR (Germany), M. FRANKENBERG-SCHWAGER (Germany), G. GROSSI (Italy), M. HOFER (Czech Republic), M. MARTIN (France), M. REZVANI (United Kingdom), S. SUNDELL-BERGMAN (Sweden), J. WONDERGEM (The Netherlands).

Apologies from C.STREFFER and J.R. MAISIN.

The President opened the meeting at noon.

1. President's address

The President welcomed the ESRB council members present at the Annual Meeting and emphasized the high numbers of attendants. He thanked and congratulated the local organizers, and especially G. SAFRANY, for the excellent organization of the 33th meeting in Budapest.

He mentioned that he represented ESRB at the COSPAR meeting in Paris, July 2004.

2. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

3. Minutes of the Council meeting, Bisbane, August 18, 2003.

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved without any changes.

4. Composition of the Council

Several members of the Council had to be replaced either because they are at the end of their term (W. DÖRR, M. HOFER, M. MARTIN, SERVOMAA) or because of resignation (C. DESAINTE).

The Council will propose to the General Assembly to replace them as follows :
Christine BLATTNER (Germany), Jan OSTERREICHER (Czech Republic), Louis DE SAINT GEORGES (Belgium), D. THIERRY (France), Andrzej WOJZECK (Poland).

The President will be G. GROSSI (Italy) and the de Vice-President G. SAFRANY for the period 2005-2006.

5. Proposal to change the name of the Society : European Radiation Research Society instead European Society for Radiation Biology
The President had organized a ballot by mail.
A total of 27 members out of 31 replies approved the change of the Society name.
Since the by law of ESRB imposes that 2/3 of members must be present to decide any change of the by law, such as the Society name, and since less than 30 members of the Society out of 118, are present, no decision could be taken. The proposal will be submitted to the General Assembly in 2005 : this second General Assembly will be allowed to decide whatever the number of members present will be.
6. Cooperation with national Societies for Radiation Research.
The President mentions that the German, Italian and Ukrainian Societies have contracted a agreement with ESRB; these national Societies will diffuse the information on ESRB activities and encourage their members to become ESRB members. The membership fee to ESRB will be reduced to 15 €per year.
The French and the Swedish Societies seem to be interested in such a cooperation contract.
7. Bacq and Alexander Award
The laureate for 2004 is A.T. NATARAJAN from Leiden. He will give the Bacq and Alexander lecture on Friday the 27th at 11.15 am.
There will be another Bacq and Alexander Award in 2005.
As usual, the Secretary-Treasurer will contact the Council members for nominations by the end of this year.
8. Young Scientist Awards and Young Scientist Travel Awards :
Two Awards of 750 €each are offered to Stephen S.MOORE (United Kingdom) and Pavla NOVAKOVA (Germany) and eight travel awards of 500 €to :
Naira AYVAZIAN (Armenia), Raffaele D. ESPOSITO (Italy), Emil LISIAK (Poland), Paula MAGUIRE (Ireland), Marjorie MONLEAU (France), Ewa M. NOWOSIELSKA (Poland), Olena SYVAK (Ukraine), Stanislav VERSHENYA (Germany).
The same number of Awards will be offered in 2005.
9. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer :
The Secretary-Treasurer presents the accounts for 2003.. The incomes were 2.579 € (2.088 €from membership fees, 490 €from bank interests) and the expenses were 2.969 €(2.266 for Young Scientists Awards, 206 for the fee to IARR 2003 and 496 for administration). Consequently, ESRB accounts dropped from 27.610,48 €on January 1, 2003 to 27.220,77 €on December 31, 2003.
The accounts were approved by the council.
In 2004, one can expect about 3.500 €as incomes and 5.500 €as expenses.
The budget was approved by the council.
10. Resignations :
Two resignations [G. KONERMANN (Germany) and U. DEVI (India)] were received.

11. New members :
The President was pleased to mention that a very high number of applications for memberships were received, indicating a new interest for the activities of the Society. The applicants are : AYVAZIAN Naira (Armenia), BENEDEK Anett (Hungary), BLATTNER Christine (Germany), BOECKER Wilfried (Germany), BURLAKOVA E.B. (Russia), DIOSI Gabor (Hungary), FARKAS Gyongyi (Hungary), GIALANELLA Giancarlo (Italy), JAAL Jana (Germany), KIS Eniko (Hungary), KOVENDINE KONYI Julia (Hungary), KRIEG Thomas (Germany), KRIEHLUBER Ralf (Germany), MALYUTINA Yana (Russia), MANTI Lorenzo (Italy), MELKADZE Tamar (Georgia), PUGLIESE Gabriella (Italy), ROSIDI Bustanur (Germany), SANDERSON Ruth (UK), SCAMPOLI Paola (Italy), SIMONE Giustina (Italy), SZATMRI Tunde (Hungary), TAMULEVICIUS Peter ((Germany), TISCHKA Rabea (Germany), WIMMEL Anja (Germany), WINDHOFER Frank (Germany), ZHANG Li-Hua (Germany).
These applications will be submitted to the General Assembly
12. ESRB Website : www.esrb.st
The President recalled that the ESRB website is handled by the former President M. HARMS-RINGDAL at very low cost. Every member is invited to consult it.
13. Forthcoming meetings :
- In 2005, the 34th ESRB annual meeting will be organized at Leicester (United Kingdom), on September 5-7, in collaboration with the British Association for Radiation Research. M. REZVANI gave some information on the organization of the Meeting.
- In 2006, the 35th ESRB annual meeting will be organized in Kiev (Ukraine). 2006 is the 20th anniversary of Chernobyl catastrophe.
- In 2007, there is the ICRR congress in San Francisco (USA).
- In 2008, some French colleagues might be interested in organizing the 36th meeting.
14. Varia
None

The President closed the Council Meeting at 2 pm.

The Secretary-Treasurer

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He recalled that only the ESRB members who have paid the membership fee can obtain the reduced registration fee at the meeting.

He mentioned that he represented ESRB at the COSPAR meeting in Paris, July 2004.

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Doctor KASPERS, from Kiev, gave some information about Kiev, "a city into a garden".

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The President closed the General Assembly at 7.30 pm.

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