

**Minutes Imaging WG Business Meeting
49th Annual Meeting of the AEPC- Prague
Thursday 21st of May 2014, 08.00-09.00, Terrace 1**

Chairs: Joachim Eichhorn (president of the IWG); Gerald Greil (secretary);
Tara Bharucha (treasurer)

Board: Jan Marek (past president), Owen Miller (liaison officer-ECHO);
Emanuela Valsangiacomo-Buechel (liaison officer-MRI),
Francesca Pluchinotta (junior member); Otto Krogman (coding committee)

Number of participants: 23

1. Welcome by the President (J. Eichhorn)

The president introduces the board members.

Chairs:

Joachim Eichhorn - JE (president of the IWG)	(2013-2015)
Gerald F. Greil - GFG (secretary)	(2013-2015)
Tara Bharucha - TB (treasurer)	(2015-2018)

Jan Marek – JM (past-president)	(2013-2015)
Francesca Pluchinotta – FP (junior member)	(2014-2016)

Board:

Owen Miller - OM (liaison officer-ECHO)	(2011-2014-2017)
Emanuela Valsangiacomo-Buechel - EVB (liaison officer-MRI),	(2010-2013-2016)
Otto Krogman - OK (coding committee)	(ex officio)

1. Comments on the scientific program in Prague – IWG contribution (JE)

The president presents the program of the sessions in which the IWG is involved and invites all the members to attend them.

- 1.1. Contribution to the Pre-Conference Course (Wednesday)
- 1.2. Contributions to sessions/Workshops etc.
- 1.3. Joint session Intervention/Imaging (Thursday)
- 1.4. Working group symposium: imaging function (Thursday)
- 1.5. Lunch symposium: Transatlantic Imaging (Friday)
- 1.6. Working group symposium:
- 1.7. Virtual Cardiac Imaging (Friday)
- 1.8. Update on infective endocarditis (Friday)
- 1.9. Joint session Fetal, Morphology and Imaging: DORV (Friday)
- 1.10. Echo Workshop: Analysis of the right and left ventricle (Friday)
- 1.11. Abstract Session (Thursday)
- 1.12. Best imaging award will be presented during this meeting.

2. **Comments on Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting (GFG; pdf attached for further details):**
 - 2.1. Past Working Group achievements have been presented regarding
 - 2.1.1. Involvement in the program in Prague
 - 2.1.2. Teaching courses for echocardiography and MRI (present & future)
 - 2.1.3. Prices for imaging work presented at the AEPC meetings
 - 2.1.4. Future focus will be on
 - 2.1.4.1. Support of Junior members
 - 2.1.4.2. Education and accreditation of training

3. **Minutes from Helsinki 2014 (GFG):**

The President asks for the approval of the Minutes from Helsinki Imaging WG business meeting, which has already been posted on the AEPC web site. The minutes were approved by all IWG members present at this meeting.

4. **Report of Treasurer (TB/OrM):**

Current amount available is € 13,177.05. .
 A detailed report is attached as a pdf.

5. **Report from ECHO (OwM/EVB)**

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 - 5.1. Accreditation (Core curriculum)
 - 5.2. Basic and advanced courses
 - 5.3. Courses in Leuven October 14th to 17th 2015
 - 5.4. Exam in EuroEcho this year in Seville
 - 5.5. EACVI representation of the AEPC IWG needs to be improved
 - 5.6. AEPC Echo exam feasibility was discussed

Several issues were discussed:

 - 5.6.1. Should a second exam beside EuroECHO during the AEPC be organised?
 - 5.6.2. How many colleagues would take the exam?
 - 5.6.3. Could this exam be linked with a Pediatric Cardiac MRI exam?
 - 5.6.4. Who and how would these exams be financed?

6. **Reports from MRI (EuroCMR and SCMR) EVB/GG**
 - 6.1. MRI teaching course (endorsed by the AEPC, SCMR, EuroCMR) from 16th to 19th June 2014 at KCL, London, was oversubscribed. Course prices were kept low to enable particularly junior members to participate in that course. The next course (30th March till 2nd April 2015, Division of Imaging Sciences and Biomedical Engineering, KCL, London, UK) was well attended as well.
 - 6.2. Guidelines, Expert consensus paper in Paediatric CMR
 - 6.2.1. SCMR Guidelines have been published (Fratz S. et al. JCMR 2013; 13;15:51).
 - 6.2.2. Expert consensus paper about CMR indications in CHD under review (Valsangiaco Buechel ER, et al. Eur Heart J Cardiovasc Imaging. 2015 Mar;16(3):281-297.

1. **Report form Coding Committee**

OK reports of the ongoing activities (for details, see report of Coding Committee at their homepage). A new short-list is available via internet.

2. **Report from Junior Member group (FP)**

Re-election also of the junior member Francesco Pluchinotta (FP)

The second basic echocardiography teaching course (endorsed by the AEPC) from 29th to 31st January 2015 was hosted by the Division of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery of the Kinderspital in Zurich, Switzerland (details please see attached pdf file).

A multimodality imaging course was suggested by FP as being very useful for junior members.

Re-election also of the junior member Francesco Pluchinotta (FP)

3. **IWG-board positions (GG/JE)**

3.1. JE (president) and GFG (secretary) will step down from their positions in 2016. A list of candidates will be proposed by the board based on an online poll from the IWG. Online voting is planned prior to the next AEPC meeting in Rome.

3.2. Coding Committee – OK confirmed in his position by all WG members

3.3. Liaison officer positions in 1 year for election.

1. **Varia**

1.1. Future conferences: Next AEPC in Rome (OM)

1.2. What to do with the money of the IWG:

It was suggested that the money should be used for a research or for supporting fellowship training trips with support of their center.

Criteria for awarding of this grant need to be defined.

Alternatively a multimodality imaging course could be supported to cover initial startup costs. Part of the money could be used as a buffer to secure funding for future courses. The attendance of Junior members to attend these courses could be supported

TB will lead the development of an adequate structure to spend the money
