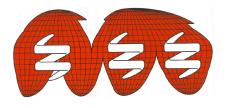
# <u>Minutes of 2022 Virtual ICT Business</u> <u>Meeting</u>

Tuesday, 2nd August 2022, 15:00- 16:20 CEST



# Agenda

- 1. Approval of minutes of last Business Meeting (ICT-15, Cluj-Napoca, 28.08.2019))
- 2. Special Issue in Veterinary Parasitology for ICT-15 (Calin Gherman)
- 3. Preparation for ICT-16 in Belgrade (Ljiljana Sofronic-Milosavljevic)
- 4. ICT Committee Reports- Website Committee (Miroslaw Rozycki)
- 5. Financial Report (Karsten Nöckler)
- 6. Any Other Business

## Ad 1) Approval of minutes of last Business Meeting (ICT-15, Cluj-Napoca, 28.08.2019)

According to ICT Policies and Procedures, for the purposes of a Business Meeting, a quorum is to be at least 10% of the total number of ICT members. The quorum was reached with 17 ICT members who participated this ICT Business Meeting. The minutes from the meeting in Cluj-Napoca, Romania on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019 have been approved by all participants.

# Ad 2) Special Issue in Veterinary Parasitology for ICT-15 (Karsten Nöckler on behalf of Calin Gherman)

On behalf of C. Gherman, who was not in attendance, K. Nöckler reminded members that copies of the Special Issue were mailed out to ICT-15 participants some time ago and should now have been received. For those members who indicated that they had not yet received their copy, it was recommended that they follow up with C. Gherman directly. K. Nöckler also suggested that C. Gherman provide additional copies to be available at ICT-16.

# Ad 3) Preparation for ICT-16 in Belgrade (Ljiljana Sofronic-Milosavljevic)

L. Sofronic-Milosavljevic delivered a Powerpoint presentation on updated preparations for ICT-16 to take place in Belgrade, Serbia from August 30-September 1, 2023, as well as an update on members of the local and international organizing committees (Annex 1). She encouraged all members to feel free to contact her with any additional suggestions or proposals. A poll of those members participating in the meeting indicated that approximately equal numbers supported either a face-to-face (physical presence required) meeting only, or a hybrid format enabling virtual participation as well. Although it was acknowledged that the opinions of the relatively few members attending this meeting might not be representative of the greater membership, K. Nöckler recommended that a hybrid meeting format continue to be considered, with costs for virtual participation included accordingly. At the ICT Executive Committee (EC) virtual meeting held on February 11, 2022 to discuss preparations for ICT-16, K. Nöckler had proposed another similar EC meeting in Sept/Oct 2022 to discuss and finalize further details such as registration fees, etc. Subsequent to this, a second announcement of ICT-16 will be posted to the ICT website.

## Ad 4) ICT Committee Reports- Website Committee (Miroslaw Rozycki)

M. Rozycki provided an update on the new International Commission on Trichinellosis website (www.trichinellosis.org) which has been transferred to a GoDaddyTM server at the National Veterinary Research Institute, Pulawy. The International Trichinella Reference Center database from ISS/EURLP has also been integrated into the website and is accessed by clicking on the 'Trichinella Database' link in the top left corner of the home page screen. This new platform should address previous concerns about data protection and accessibility with the old website. Members who have used the link to the Trichinella database on the new website have confirmed that it is working well. The annual maintenance fee for the new website is approximately 100 USD.

## Ad 5) Financial Report (Karsten Nöckler)

K. Nöckler provided the financial update (below; unchanged from that reported in the minutes of the February ICT EC meeting) and re-iterated that the ICT is in a healthy position fiscally, due to the surplus generated from ICT-15, and that the EC has agreed to maintain this surplus for now to benefit from any interest accrued. Funds are available to support ICT-16 if necessary.

| Balance 2019: | +5304.04 EUR (5912.60 USD, exchange 1 EUR=1.11 USD)            |
|---------------|--|
| Outgoing:     | - 917.40 EUR for Student Research Award-Clara Bessi (1000 USD, |
|               | exchange 1 EUR=1.09 USD)                                       |
| Ingoing:      | + 3857.40 EUR surplus from ICT-15 (50 USD per person; 4200.00  |
|               | USD)   |
| Balance       | +8244.04 EUR (9398.20 USD, exchange 1 EUR=1.14 USD)            |

Expected Outgoing (ICT webpage) = 100 USD/year

## Ad 6) Any Other Business

No other business was discussed.

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## List of attending ICT members (17)

Fernando Farina (Argentina), Mabel Ribicich (Argentina), Eliana Riva (on behalf of Pedro Steffan) (Argentina), Brad Scandrett (Canada), Bretislav Koudela (Czech Republic), Karsten Nöckler (Germany), Fabrizio Bruschi (Italy), Maria Angeles Gómez-Morales (Italy), Edoardo Pozio (Italy), Miroslaw Rozycki (Poland), Natasa Ilic (Serbia), Ljiljana Sofronic-Milosavljevic (Serbia), Saša Vasilev (Serbia), Daniela Antolová (Slovak Republic), Zuzana Hurnikova (Slovak Republic), Walter Basso (Switzerland), Peter Thompson (USA)

# **Appendix 1: Update on Preparations for ICT-16 (Committee Lists and PowerPoint Presentation)** ((Ljiljana Sofronic-Milosavljevic)

16th International Conference on Trichinellosis (ICT-16), Hotel "Mona Plaza", Belgrade, Serbia 29th August – 1st September, 2023

Organizer: International Commission on Trichinellosis National Reference Laboratory for Trichinellosis, NRLT-INEP University of Belgrade, Banatska 31b 11080 Belgrade, Serbia

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### Provisional time schedule for ICT-16 organization

September 2022 - ICT-16 First Announcement

(ICT Committees: Executive, International, Local, Conference Facilities, Correspondence address; Invitation for ICT-16, Conference Venue, Scientific and social program, Program for Accompanying Persons, Second Announcement (will be available from the ICT-16/INEP website by the end of October/beginning of November 2023 - and will be regularly updated in case of the new information appearance).

November 2022 - ICT-16 website

**March 1st 2023** - Proposed date when the call for ICT-16 will be launched (deadline for abstracts May 1, 2023)

All financial adjustments (due to corona, need for a hybrid meeting, global inflation, etc.) are in progress. Provisional hybrid meeting expences are 2500/day.

- Overall Provisional Program
- The 16th International Conference on Trichinellosis will be held in Belgrade, Serbia, from Wednesday, August 30. till Friday, September 1. 2023. The scientific program will be complemented by social events.

• Time schedule is preliminary!

Sessions: Epidemiology Phylogeny, Genomics and Proteomics Human Trichinellosis Biology, Host-Pathogen-Interaction and Immunology Detection, Legislation and Control

## Provisional Program

Wednesday, 30.08.2023

- Registration (8:00-18:00)
- 1st ICT Executive Committee and Guidelines Committee Meeting (9:00-12:00)
- Opening Ceremony (12:00-12:30)
  Lunch and Poster session (13:00-14:30)
- Scientific Session Epidemiology (14:30-18:30) with one coffee break
- Welcome Dinner at Mona Plaza Hotel (20:00-22:00)

Thursday, 31.08.2023

- Scientific Session Phylogeny and taxonomy (8:00-10:30)
- Coffee break (10:30-11:00)
- Scientific Session Genomics and Proteomics (11:00-12:30)
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- Lunch and Poster session (13:00-14:30)
- Scientific Session Human Trichinellosis (14:30-15:30)
- Coffee break (15:30-16:00)
- Student Research Award with ICT Business meeting (16:00-17:00)
- Tour City Central (18:00-20:00)
- Galla dinner at Mona Plaza (21:00-24:00)

## Provisional program

### Friday, 01.09.2023

- Scientific Session Biology, Host-Pathogen-Interaction and Immunology I (8:00-10:00)
- Coffee break (10:00-10:30)
- Scientific Session Biology, Host-Pathogen-Interaction and Immunology II (10:30-12:30)
- Lunch and Poster session (13:00-14:30)
- Scientific Session Detection, Legislation and Control (14:30-17:30) with one coffee break
- Closing ceremony
- 2nd ICT Executive Committee meeting (17:30-18:30)
- Dinner on a Boat (20:00-22:00)

### Budget and conference fees:

(calculated on july 2022 in red) Registration fees for the ICT-16 participants (Table)

The registration fee includes: access to the scientific and social program, meals (coffee breaks, lunches, dinners), conference materials and one copy of the Veterinary Parasitology Special Issue dedicated to ICT-16

Current cost per person for 3 days:  $\notin 270$ 

(hall rent, three lunches, two coffee breaks per day, gala dinner,dinner oustside the hotel is optional but included in calculation)

|                         | EARLY<br>before 1st June 2023 | LATE<br>1st June - 30th July<br>2023 |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Regular                 | € 420                         | € 480                                |
| Participant             | € 500 (or 480?)               | € 550                                |
| Regular Participant     | € 300                         | € 360*                               |
| Lower income countries* | € 350                         | € 430                                |
| Students**              | € 180                         | € 230                                |
|                         | € 220                         | € 280                                |
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20% VAT is included in mentioned rates. In black - Previous proposal (bid) \* Applies to Low-income, Lower-middle-income and Upper-middle income economies on the World Bank list. \* \* Pho Students, MS catudents and undergraduate students are eligible for student fees. A proof stating their student status is mandatory.

#### Registration fees for the participants

The registration fee includes: access to the scientific and social programmes, meals (coffee breaks, lunches, dinners), conference materials and one copy of the Veterinary Parasitology Special Issue dedicated to 10:71-5.

|                      | EARLY<br>before 15th May 2019 | LATE<br>15th May - 1st July 2019 |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Regular registration | € 480                         | € 550                            |
| Developing countries | € 350                         | € 430                            |
| Students*            | € 220                         | € 280                            |

| Virtual Participation Registration Fees | Rates |
|---|-------|
| Regular Participant                     | 250€  |
| Students**                              | 120€  |

### Budget and conference fees:

#### Accompanying persons

The fee for accompanying persons includes participation in the social program, lunches and dinners. Excursions offered by Travel Agency are NOT included.

|                      | EARLY<br>before 1st June 2023 | LATE<br>1st June - 30th July<br>2023 |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Regular registration | € 250                         | € 300                                |