Minutes of ICT Business Meeting

Wednesday, 28th August 2019, 12:45-13:45
ICT-15, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Agenda

1. Approval of minutes of last Business Meeting (ICOPA 2018)
2. ICT Committee Reports
3. Financial Report
4. Nominations for the new ICT members
5. Election of the new Executive Committee (EC) Members
6. Proceedings for ICT-15
7. Bid for the 16th International Conference on Trichinellosis in 2023
8. Any Other Business

Ad 1) Approval of minutes of last Business Meeting

The minutes from the meeting in Daegu, Korea on 20th August 2018 have been approved by all participants.

Ad 2) ICT Committee Reports

Guidelines Committee (J. van der Giessen)
The five Recommendations (1-genotyping of Trichinella, 2-QA testing for Trichinella, 3-serology testing, 4-pre-harvest control and 5-post-harvest control for Trichinella) have been updated by 2018 and published in 2019 in Food and Waterborne Parasitology (FWP). Many thanks to R. Gamble (heading the Guideline Committee), A. Gajadhar, B. Scandrett, D. Zarlenga, I. Vallee, J. van der Giessen. As R. Gamble prefers to step back, a new head for the Guideline Committee is required. P. Rossi from Rome, Italy agreed to take this part and additional ICT members working for this Committee will be identified.

Website Committee (J. van der Giessen)
The ICT website is hosted by the National Veterinary Research Institute in Pulawy, Poland since 2018. Many thanks to R. Gamble and M. Rozycki who have managed the transfer. M. Rozycki has also agreed to head the Website Committee. Some parts of the website need to be revised/updated and a renewal of the website outlook is planned. E. Pozio and J. Dupouy-Camet agreed to help. Additional ICT members working for this Committee will be identified.

Ad 3) Financial Report (K. Noeckler)

Balance 2019: +5304.04 EUR (5912.60 USD, exchange 1 EUR=1.11 USD)
Expected outgoings: 1.794.15 for Student Research Awards (2000 USD)
Rest +3509.81 EUR (minus fees for bank transfer)

A surplus from ICT-15 is expected (50 USD per registered participant)
Ad 4) **Nominations for new ICT Members** (K. Noeckler)

Nominations are based on *By-Laws* of ICT. Nominees shall be individuals who are active in any aspect of *Trichinella* or trichinellosis. Consequently, nominees should also regularly attend the ICT conferences. The following persons were nominated by the Membership Committee:

UK Belgees Boufana (Joke van der Giessen)
Poland Ewa Bilska-Zając (Miroslaw Rozycki)
Serbia Natasa Ilic (Lilijana Sofronic-Milosavljevic)
Serbia Sasa Vasilev (Lilijana Sofronic-Milosavljevic)
India Rajnish Sharma (Alvin Gajadhar)
USA Peter Thompson (Benjamin Rosenthal)
Argentina Clara Bessi (Mabel Ribicich)

All nominated ICT members were approved by participants of the ICT Business Meeting. An official letter to nominated and approved new ICT members will be sent by the Secretary General.

Ad 5) **Election of the new Executive Committee (EC) Members** (J. van der Giessen)

The new EC members for the term 2019-2023 will be:

President Karsten Noeckler (Germany)
Vice President Isabelle Vallee (France)
Secretary General Brad Scandrett (Canada)
Members Mabel Ribicich (Argentina)
Lilijana Sofronic-M. (Serbia)
Antti Oksanen (Finland)
Bretislav Koudela (Czech Republic)
Calin Gherman (Romania)
Mirek Rozycki (Poland)
Liu Xialolei (China)
Past President Joke van der Giessen (Netherlands)

Ad 6) **Proceedings for ICT-15** (K. Noeckler)

As for ICT-14, a selection of best papers (oral or poster presentation) will be published in a Special Issue of Veterinary Parasitology. Only papers presented at ICT-15 can be published. More information about submission of papers will be available soon on the ICT-15 website (C. Gherman).

Ad 7) **Bid for the 15th International Conference on Trichinellosis in 2019** (K. Noeckler)

Proposals should be sent by e-mail to the President of Executive Committee by **December 31st, 2019**. Preparation of proposals according to ICT Policies and Procedures, the guidelines are available under: [http://www.bfr.bund.de/en/program_at_a_glance-192336.html](http://www.bfr.bund.de/en/program_at_a_glance-192336.html). The President will then disseminate the proposals to the Executive Committee members and
organize an electronic vote. More details on procedure will be discussed during the EC Meeting on Friday, 30\textsuperscript{th} August 2019. After that, information on the bid for ICT-16 will be circulated to all ICT members in due course.

\textbf{Ad 8) Any Other Business}

Announcements for conferences

- WAAVP conference in Dublin, Ireland in 2021
- ICOPA in Copenhagen, Denmark in 2022

There might be options for a joined ICT Business Meeting.

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\textbf{List of attending ICT members (32)}

Mabel Ribicich (Argentina), Fernando Farina (Argentina), Walter Glawischnig (Austria), Alvin Gajadhar (Canada), Brad Scandrett (Canada), Liu Mingyuan (China), Liu Xialolei (China), Bretislav Koudela (Czech Republic), Pikka Jokelainen (Denmark), Antti Oksanen (Finland), Isabelle Vallee (France), Pascal Boireau (France), Gregory Karadjian (France), Radu Blaga (France/Romania), Karsten Noeckler (Germany), Anne Mayer-Scholl (Germany), Joke van der Giessen (Netherlands), Frits Franssen (Netherlands), Edoardo Pozio (Italy) Gianluca Marucci (Italy), Maria Angeles Gomez Morales (Italy), Patrizia Rossi (Italy), Ljiljana Sofronic-Milosavljevic (Serbia), Milena Zivojinovic (Serbia), Alisa Gruden-Movsesijan (Serbia), Miroslaw Rozycki (Poland), Bozena Moskwa (Poland), Zuzana Hurnikova (Slovak Republic), Anna Lunden (Sweden), Walter Basso (Switzerland), Dante Zarlenga (USA), Benjamin Rosenthal (USA)