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**UEMS Division of Angiology / Vascular Medicine
Minutes 2016 Meeting**

11.00-15.00, 25 November 2016

2nd Floor

La Pineta,

Corso Sempione 150.

Busto Arsizio (VA)

Agenda

- a. Welcome New representatives of National Scientific Societies (replacements or new entries)
- b. Vote for the election of the new President
 - i. the. Presidential Report
 - ii. NMAS approval: analysis of the situation
 - iii. guarantee the vote for all countries
 - iv. Possible solutions -vote
- c. CZ proposal - appoint M.C. as Honorary Founder President- vote
- d. Situation and proposals (see Minutes 2015) to spread applications for accreditation as ETC (proposed Centres to invite: lists to be provided by Nat representatives)
- e. CESMA-UEMS EU Exam: dissemination and experimental association to national examinations (Countries proposed)
- f. Relationships with Organisations/Bodies outside UEMS : criteria
- g. Miscellaneous

Minutes Draft

Present (in bold):

Gerit Schernthaner (Austrian Society of Angiology),

Jean Claude Wautrecht (Belgian Working Group of Angiology)

Patrick Carpentier, P. Lacroix (Collège Français and French Society of Vascular Medicine)

Karol Roztocil, Cifkova, **D. Karetova** (Czech Republic Vascular Medicine Society)

C. Heiss, I. Buschmann (German Society of Angiology, DGA)

E. Dimakakos, G. Marakomichelakis (Greek Society of Lymphology)



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Z. Pecsvarady (Hungarian Society of Angiology & Vascular Surgery)

A. Carlizza, M. Catalano (Italian Society of Vascular Pathologies – SIAPAV)

A. Sieron, A. Stanek (Polish Society of Angiology)

D. Olinic (Romanian Society of Angiology & Vascular Surgery)

C. Baines, J.J.F. Belch (Royal Society of Medicine – Vascular Council) *Absent*

D. Vasic, M. Matic, (Serbian Society of Angiology) *Absent*

V. Stvrtinova (Slovak Society of Angiology) *Absent (letter)*

A. Blinc, **M. Kozak** (Slovenian Vascular Society)

A. Gottsäter, S. Agewall (Swedish Society of Hypertension, Stroke & Vascular Medicine) *Absent*

B. Amann-Vesti, A. Gallino, (Swiss Society of Angiology)- Proxy to Germany- *-No right to vote, due to missing NMA*

P. Fitzgerald, **M.P. Colgan** (Vascular Medicine Ireland) *-No right to vote, due to missing NMA*

P. Poredos (VAS)-*no right to vote*



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1- Introduction by the outgoing President (M.Catalano)

Reference is made to the Report sent in September on what has been achieved in these two terms of presidency (Report attached, as part of the Minutes). In particular it was pointed out that certain elements will require continuity to improve in their concrete aspects, such as the latest "UEMS Training Requirements for Angiology / Vascular Medicine Document" in all its aspects, participation both in MJC Phlebology and the TTW (which is in the process of creation).

The need for dissemination and further commitment in the Division's major activities was pointed out, in particular to stimulate Applications for UEMS European Accreditation as Training Centres (according to the rules of the document mentioned above) and the CESMA-UEMS Exam on Angiology / Vascular Medicine, now in its fifth edition.

The firmness demonstrated in recent years by the Division and the spirit of service that must characterize the role and activities of the President and the Secretary was mentioned and an appeal made for this continuity as well as the existing collaborative relationships and mutual respect with other Sections / Divisions and UEMS central Offices.

Clarification was provided on the recognition of NMA (Annex 2) and for "proxy voting", covered in the UEMS rules but considered, since its establishment, not to be accepted by the Division wishing to stimulate the active participation of its Representatives.

2- Election of the new President and Secretary

- **The two candidates** for the presidency are: JC Wautrecht (B) and P Carpentier (F)
Both have been Division members since its formation.

- **Are present:** 12 countries + 1 proxy (of 17 countries represented)=>76%

- Right to vote: only representatives officially appointed by NMA in their respective countries (one vote per country represented).

Have been officially appointed by the NMA : 11 Countries =65%

Are excluded from the vote: Ireland present, Represented by MP Colgan and Switzerland (Proxy to Representative of Germany)

- Debate held on whether to vote or postpone it.

The percentage of countries present required by UEMS rules is met (50% required vs 9, 65% present).

The proposals to vote or postpone was put to the vote. The vote was a show of hands.

Result: 10 votes in favor of an immediate vote for the new Presidency and 1 to postpone.



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-The agreement by all present was to hold a secret ballot, according to UEMS rules in the event of voting nominations.

Before the vote, two supervisors were appointed G. Schernthaner (A) and A. Sieron (PL). The candidates present themselves and express their views regarding the future of the Division and particular issues that are raised by the Members of the Division.

When the Division Members consider themselves satisfied with presentations made, voting began.

Election for President:



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-First Ballot (1 Invalid vote):

7 votes for JC Wautrecht, 5 for PCarpentier

-Second Ballot:

7 votes for JC Wautrecht, 4 for PCarpentier

JC Wautrecht has been elected President of the Division

Election for Secretary:

Only 1 Candidate: D Olinic, thus open ballot by raised hands.

D Olinic elected Secretary of the Division unanimously.

Outgoing President will notify formally and immediately UEMS EU Policy and Administrative Officer of the election results.

3- Honorary Founder President proposal

Z Peczvarady mentioned the difficult task carried out by the outgoing President to obtain the UEMS Division and the unexpected relevant results obtained in recent years.

The proposal, first put forward by K Roztočil, to elect MCatalano Honorary President of the Division, to ensure her active commitment for the future.

M Catalano elected Honorary President of the Division unanimously - Vote open ballot by raised hands.

4- Applications for accreditation as ETC

Proposed Centres to invite: lists to be provided by National representatives.

The Centres of the Angiology/Vascular Medicine Division representatives are expected to be among the first to send an Application (already open).

Applications - Some have already been received. The criteria have been defined and we are setting up a sound VAS-ETC Validation Committee, with representatives from different countries.

Nominations for candidates are invited.

ETCs are milestone and should be an effective method to reinforce A/VM at a European level.

5- CESMA-UEMS EU Exam (2016, 5th Ed)

Dissemination remains a crucial point. It should be done in each country trying to find a way to stimulate interest in every single country while trying to include the CESMA-UEMS exam to the existing national reality.



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Some issues (different in different countries make the examination not uniformly easy to be accepted)

Experimental association to national examinations could be a way of success in some countries. The possibility will be experimented in Poland (other countries are invited follow Poland's example).

6-Relationships with Organisations/Bodies outside UEMS : criteria

Criteria will be studied to include external collaborations, in accordance with the UEMS rules.

There will be no closures, if the areas are well-defined, without overlapping and that respect for decisions taken in the context UEMS by the various Organizations / Bodies are ensured.

7- Formulation of simple internal rules for the A/VM Division that will facilitate everyone's commitments will be a task.



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Next UEMS Division Meeting :

1st December 2017, same place
11am-3.00pm