

# EEMGS General Assembly

Tuesday June 27, 2017

LEUVEN



## AGENDA

1. Welcome and presentation of participants
2. Report from the president and treasurer
3. Leuven meeting and grants
4. 2018 EEMGS meeting
5. ICEM 2017 and 2021
6. Any other business

# ExCOM

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# ANNUAL REPORT 2016/2017

EXCOM meetings to: Name change, constitution, ICEM and plan of future meetings

**January 2016** – web page vicepresident ballot Helga Stopper elected

**June 2016** – planning of 2016 meeting in Copenhagen

**August 2016** – welcome to Helga, **Councillor** meeting in COPENHAGEN

**December 2016**- Planning of EEMGS aprticipation in the 2017 meeting

**March 2017** – Welcome to Sabine Langie as secretary, vicepresident ballot, ICEM 2017

**May 2017** – planning for 2017

## **Upcoming meetings**

ICEM in Korea 2017 thus GA at present meeting

Meeting in Germany 2018

Meeting in France 2019

ICEM in Canada 2021

# The vice-president and president elect voting to the EEMGS 2017-2019 took place in May

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**We had 102 votes:**

Brian Burlinson : 34 votes

George Johnson: 68 votes

**We welcome George as the new VP**

# EEMGS Annual Meeting, 14 - 18 August 2016

## University of Copenhagen, Denmark



- Announced at the Prague meeting
- Major sponsor BCPT, special volume issued with 13 papers
- Frits Sobels and Young scientist
- 4 invited keynote speakers and 50 invited speakers
- 10 sessions, 2 poster sessions and flash presentations by 10 grant recipients
- Best poster prizes
- Co-organised with ECOPA – symposium on the 18th
- More than 180 participants
- Copenhagen meeting with BCPT and Lisbeths team and no NordEMS any more to share the surplus >15.000€ - thus all for the society



Holme JA, Froetschl R, Knudsen LE. [The European Environmental Mutagenesis and Genomics Society Annual Meeting, 14-18 August 2016, Copenhagen, Denmark](#). Basic Clin Pharmacol Toxicol. 2017 Mar 14. doi: 10.1111/bcpt.12750.

# Nominations and Awardees Leuven meeting

Frits Sobels –

One nomination from Germany **selected**

Young Scientist Award – Two nominations

**None selected**

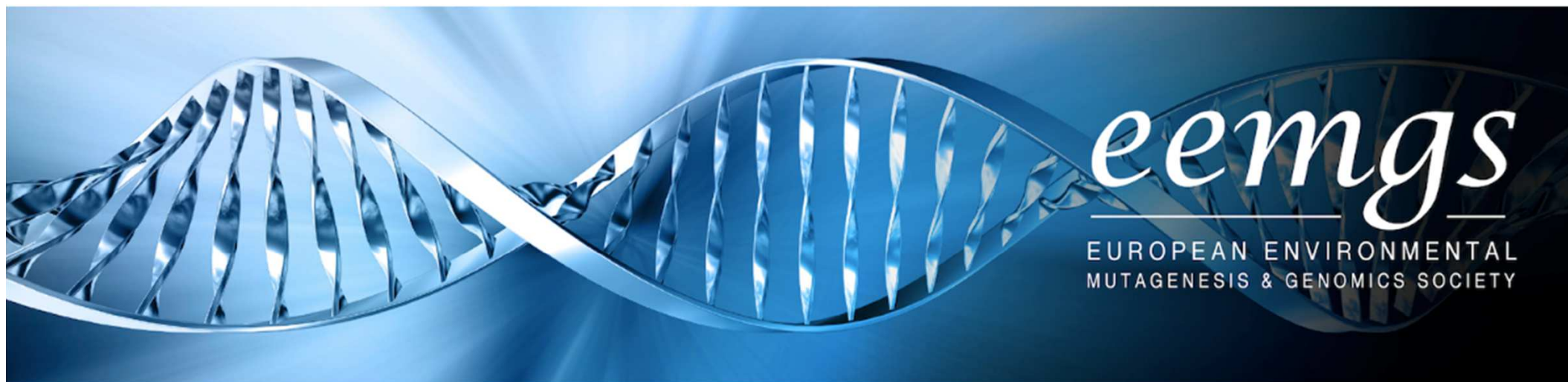
- **Nomination committee** Nomination committee
- *David Phillips, King's College London, UK*
- *Jordi Surrallés Calonge, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain*
- *Margherita Bignami, Italy*

EEMGS travel grants

- Deniz Oner, Belgium  
Whole genome DNA methylation effects of exposing asbestos fibres on human bronchial cells
- Gracia Kukiela, Germany  
Induction of micronuclei by four cytostatic compounds in human hematopoietic stem cells and human lymphoblastoid TK6 cells

# WEBPAGE



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## Home



### Welcome to the European Environmental Mutagenesis and Genomics Society

This site is intended for EEMS members and any party interested in the broad field of environmental mutagenesis and/or in our activities.

The EEMS is a scientific society that encourages the study of mutagens and substances of related biological activity in the human environment, particularly as these mutagens may be of concern to public health, and to engage in and sponsor research, study and dissemination of information relating to the foregoing."

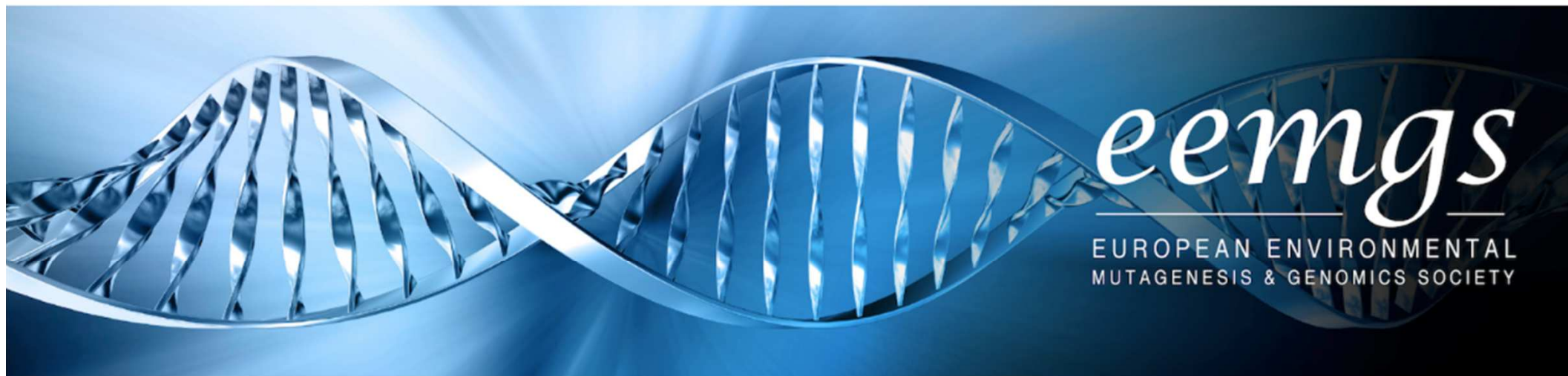
### Meeting Announcements

**Joint Belgium, Dutch and UK Environmental Mutagenesis Society meeting 2017**

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# Nominations and Awardees

## **Frits Sobels Award**

The Frits Sobels Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of environmental mutagenesis; it may either recognise a lifetime accomplishment or an episodically pace-making contribution to the field of environmental mutagenesis. The Frits Sobels Award will be presented during Annual EEMGS Meeting. The prize consists of an inscribed token, travel and accommodation costs, and free registration to the EEMGS Meeting. The Awardee will present a lecture at the EEMGS Meeting.

Nominations can be made by Councillors on behalf of their National Society or individually by any EEMGS member.

## **EEMGS Young Scientist Award(s)**

During the Annual Meeting, one or more Young Scientist Award(s) will be presented. The nomination rules for this award are: 1) Each nomination will be considered on its merits and not necessarily in competition with other nominees; 2) Nominations will be considered from any member of the EEMGS, provided they are supported by a person with an appropriate knowledge of the candidate's work. 3) Nominations should be accompanied by a curriculum vitae, copies of the nominee's publications and a written evidence from the nominator that the work of the nominee merits the EEMGS Young Scientist Award; 4) The candidate should not be older than 35 at the time of nomination and should be a member of their regional society. The award includes a certificate, the amount of 1000 € and travel and accommodation costs, and free registration to the Annual EEMGS Meeting. The Awardee will present a lecture at the EEMGS Meeting.

## **EEMGS Young Scientist Travel Grants**

A limited number of travel grants are available to assist young EEMGS members to attend the Annual Meetings. Applicants should be 35 years or younger at the time of the Annual Meeting. The grant consists of the amount of 400 €. Applications should be made to the Councillor of the respective country who will then forward the application to the EEMGS President together with the abstract of the applicant, a short curriculum vitae and a letter of recommendation. Recipients of travel grants are expected to attend the entire meeting and to write a short report with their personal view of the Meeting for the EEMGS Newsletter.

# Accounts and balances of EEMGS

# Roland Frötschl, Treasurer

<b>Income 2016</b>	€	
item	amount	description
Subscriptions NS	9047	subscriptions 2016
Copenhagen sponsoring	1876.12	
Individual members	10	
Copenhagen conference	33190.61	Balance Copenhagen conference accounts
Interest on savings	0.89	
	44124.62	
<b>Income 01.01. – 0.1.06.2017</b>		
UKEMs UK	1860	
ESPA Spain	330	
Dutch EMS	1020	
SIMA Italy	790	
Russian Society	210	
BEMS Belgium	170	
	4380	

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# EEMS Treasurer's report AGM 2017

## Roland Frötschl, Treasurer

<b>Expenses 2016</b>	€
Item	amount
Bank charges	228.44
Prepayments Copenhagen Conference	14116.92
Sponsoring Prague Conference	2000
FSA Medal	358.93
Young Scientist Award	1000
IAEMGS subscription	237.49
Auditors fee	5520.92
postage	12.62
Travel bursaries for Copenhagen	2000
	25475.32
Balance 2016	18532.30
<b>Expenses 01.01 - 01.06.2017</b>	
Bank charges	79.61
FCA fee 2016	75.29
	154.90
Balance per 01.06.2017	4225.10
Total balance 01.01.2016 – 01.06.2017	22874,40

# EEMS Treasurer's report AGM 2017

## Roland Frötschl, Treasurer

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The 12<sup>th</sup> International Conference and  
5<sup>th</sup> Asian Congress  
on Environmental Mutagens  
with the 33rd Annual Meeting of KSOT/KEMS

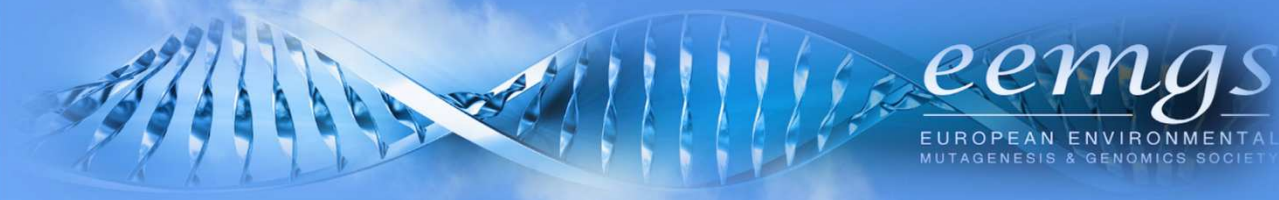
**ICEM2017**  
**ACEM2017**

NOVEMBER  
**12 to 16, 2017**

Songdo Convensia  
Incheon (Airport City of Seoul), Korea

# ICEM 2017 in Korea

<b>Date</b>	<b>Nov 15 (Wed), 2017</b>
<b>Time</b>	14:40-16:20
<b>Session Title</b>	Symposium 21: Human Biomonitoring
<b>Session Info</b>	Symposium (100min.)
<b>Organizer</b>	Lisbeth E. Knudsen (EEMGS, Denmark)
<b>Speakers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The human exposome and HBM: Denis Sarigiannis (Greece)</li> <li>- <i>Biomarkers of DNA damage, genome instability and risk of cancer and other chronic diseases</i> Stefano Bonassi (Italy)</li> <li>- Overexpression of ALKBHs in neck and head cancer – a new field for anticancer therapy <u>Tomasz Pilżys</u> (Poland) young scientist participating from EEMGS</li> <li>- TBD: Korean Speaker</li> <li>- HBM as a tool for individual risk assessment Lisbeth E. Knudsen (Denmark)</li> </ul>



# INVITATION

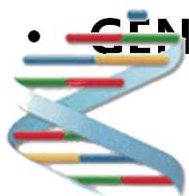
**46<sup>th</sup> EEMGS and 30<sup>th</sup> GUM Meeting**  
March 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018 Potsdam, Germany





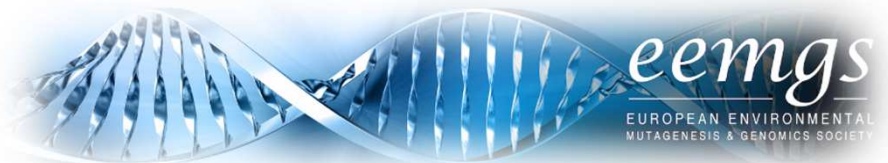
# EEMGS 2018 - MAJOR TOPICS

- **CELL-TYPE SPECIFICITY OF GENOTOXICITY AND DNA REPAIR**
- **DNA DAMAGE RESPONSE AND DNA REPAIR**
- **ALTERNATIVES TO ANIMAL TESTING: EMERGING MODELS AND TECHNIQUES**
- **MUTAGENICITY AND AGING**
- **DISCOVERING CAUSES OF DISEASE: NEW APPROACHES IN HUMAN BIOMONITORING**
- **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND EARLY LIFE EXPOSURE**
- **HOT TOPICS IN CARCINOGENICITY**
- **UNDERSTANDING MECHANISM UNDERLYING MUTATIONAL SIGNATURES IN HUMAN CANCER USING WHOLE GENOME SEQUENCING**
- **NEXT GENERATION RISK ASSESSMENT OF GENETIC TOXICITY**
- **TESTING OF IMPURITY FOR MUTAGENIC POTENTIAL IN DRUGS, SUBSTANCES AND PRODUCTS**
- **GENOME SAFETY IN GENE THERAPY**



**GUM**

Gesellschaft für Umwelt-Mutationsforschung e.V.



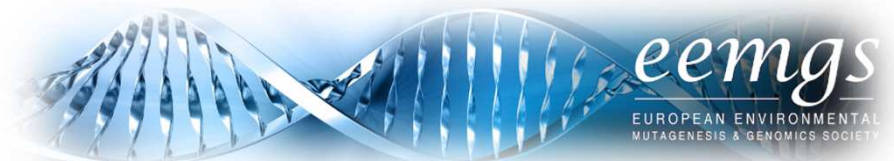
# EEMGS 2018 – CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

- Volker M. Arlt (UK)
- Silvia Balbo (USA)
- Vilhelm A. Bohr (USA)
- Mike Boxem (NLD)
- Keith W. Caldecott (UK)
- Eugenia Dogliotti (ITA)
- Martijn Dollé (NLD)
- Thierry Durand (FRA)
- Maria Dusinska (NOR)
- Jean-Marc Egly (FRA)
- Jörg Fahrner (GER)
- Mick Fellows (UK)
- Roland Frötschl (GER)
- Anton Gartner (UK)
- Susanne Glowienke (CH)
- Andrea Hartwig (GER)
- James S. Harvey (UK)
- George E. Johnson (UK)
- Bernd Kaina (GER)
- David Kirkland (UK)
- Lisbeth E. Knudsen (DNK)
- Olga I. Lavrik (RUS)
- Mirjam Luijten (NLD)
- Hans-Jörg Martus (CH)
- Lutz Müller (CH)
- Serena Nik-Zainal (UK)
- Manfred Schmidt (GER)
- Björn Schuhmacher (GER)
- Augustin Scalbert (FRA)
- Frederik-Jan van Schooten (NLD)
- Elżbieta Speina (POL)
- Helga Stopper (GER)
- Shana J. Sturla (CHE)
- Gianluca Tell (ITA)
- Margareta Törnqvist (SWE)
- Jiri Zavadil (FRA)
- Andreas Zeller (CH)



**GUM**

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**Come and see, why Potsdam and Berlin are "the places to be"!**





# ICEM 2021 in CANADA – Paul White, Health Canada

- 2025 is open and Prague – Jan Topinka has accepted to be proposed

# International Conference on Environmental Mutagens

August 28 – September 2, 2021





# OTTAWA IS ACCESSIBLE

- Ottawa is centrally-located in the province of Ontario, with the Ottawa International Airport offering daily direct connections to over 30 Canadian, U.S. and European Centres.

## Domestic

1. Calgary
2. Charlottetown\*
3. Edmonton
4. Fredericton
5. Halifax
6. Iqaluit
7. London
8. Moncton
9. Mont Tremblant\*
10. Montreal
11. Quebec City
12. Regina\*
13. Saskatoon\*
14. St. John's
15. Toronto
16. Vancouver
17. Winnipeg
18. Yellowknife

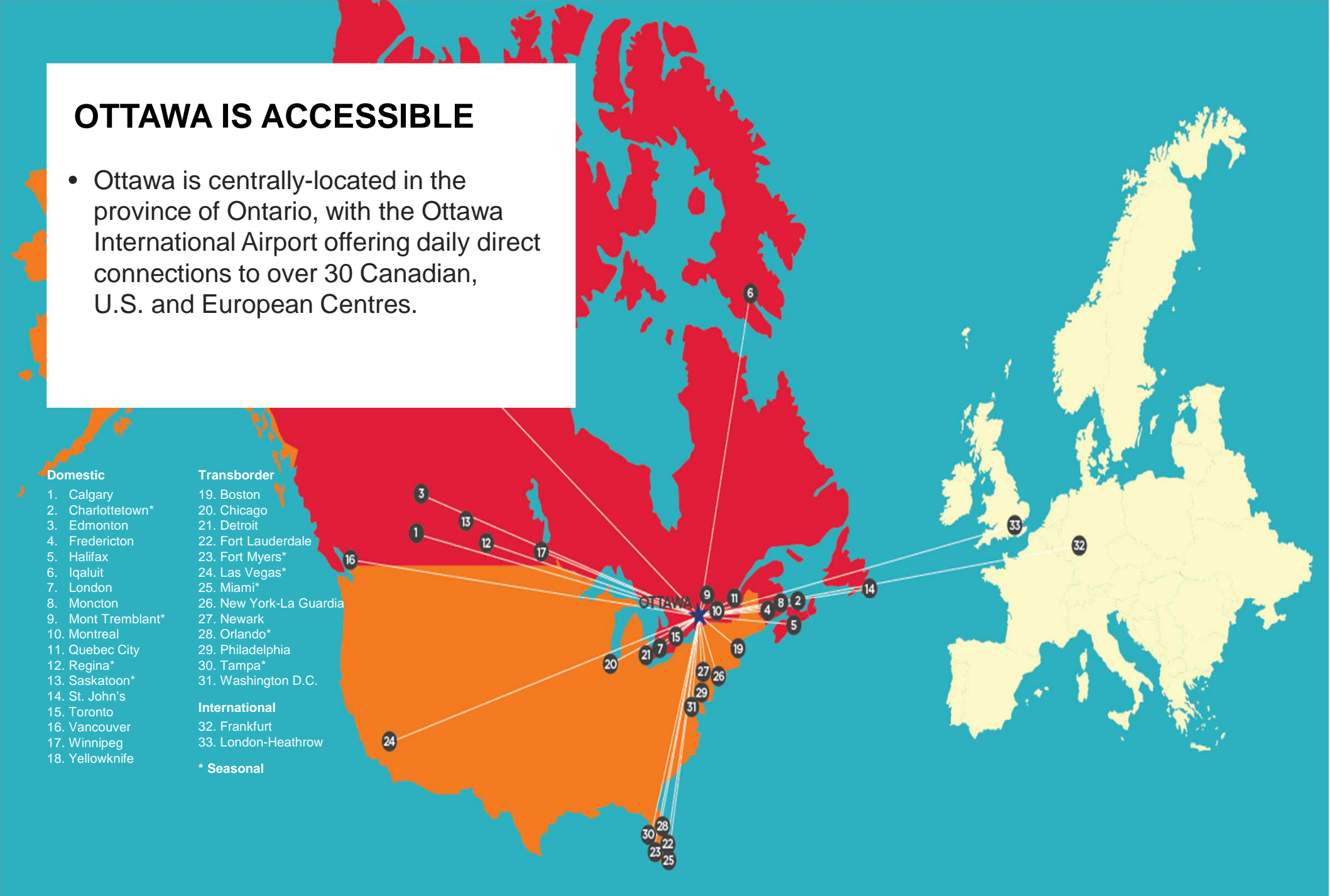
## Transborder

19. Boston
20. Chicago
21. Detroit
22. Fort Lauderdale
23. Fort Myers\*
24. Las Vegas\*
25. Miami\*
26. New York-La Guardia
27. Newark
28. Orlando\*
29. Philadelphia
30. Tampa\*
31. Washington D.C.

## International

32. Frankfurt
33. London-Heathrow

\* Seasonal



# MAP OF DOWNTOWN—SHAW CENTRE, ACCOMMODATIONS & ATTRACTIONS



# My Presidential considerations for the future

We still need the name change and constitution to be formalised realising the board of personal responsibility

We have managed to promote young scientists in the Prague and Copenhagen meetings with specials sessions with flash presentations which was very much appreciated. As well as the grants!!!

Meetings planned for coming years

Represented at the ICEM

Profit for the society to continue supporting young scientists.

More international outreach and collaboration with other societies

# Thank you

TO UKEMS; BEMS and NEMS for including the Fritz Sobels lecture and the general assembly

TO Leon Mullenders as pat president

To Morten Fjordholt as secretary in 2016



## New constitution for EEMGS and way forward

- New constitution meeting SCIO requirements was prepared by the constitution committee chaired by David Kirkland with the help of SCVO (Scottish council of volunteer organisations)
- Constitution was sent to councillors for commenting by the membership. Document was finalised including all relevant comments end of April 2016
- Ballot was held in May -June 2016 and the new constitution was accepted by 62 yes votes and 3 abstentions, in total 65 members voting

# New constitution for EEMGS and way forward

## Main points of new constitution

### Membership

- National regional societies of environmental mutagenesis
- Affiliated societies
- Individual membership
- Corporate membership

### Structure of EEMGS

- MEMBERS of national/regional societies, of affiliated societies, individual members and corporate members
  - CAN ATTEND Business Council meetings but only delegates can vote
- DELEGATES representing
  - the national/regional societies (usually the P and VP of each)
  - the individual members (one delegate/25 members:  $\leq 25$  one delegate, 26-50 two delegate and so on)
- FUNCTIONAL BODIES of the Society
  - Executive Committee – President, VP, PP, treasurer, secretary plus 3-6 more trustees
  - Business Council – consists of the DELEGATES
  - Nomination Committee

# New constitution for EEMGS and way forward

## Main points of new constitution

- **Executive committee**

- VP, P, PP serve 2 years in each function
- Treasurer, secretary serve 3 years with one possible re-election
- VP, P, PP, treasurer and secretary are the office bearers
- Further trustees appointed/elected for 1 year, re-election at AGM

- **Business council**

- DELEGATES representing the national/regional societies and the individual members
- Control of executive committee, elects trustees and office bearers as well as nomination of committee members

- **Nomination Committee**

- PP and 3 further members
- Proposing FSA, YSA, review travel grant applications
- Can propose candidates to represent individual members at Business Council and candidates for officers in Executive Committee

# New constitution for EEMGS and way forward to SCIO

- **Executive committee**

- Prerequisite: administrative completion of name change
- Prepare SCIO application
- File application with new constitution to OSCR
- Negotiate on any concerns of OSCR on the constitution, feed back with the constitution committee in case of serious concerns (if any)
- After transformation of legal status to SCIO be the first EXEC and trustees
- Transfer all assets to SCIO
- Dissolve EEMGS as friendly society