

The EEMGS councillor meeting, Sunday 25th of June 18:00-19:00.

The meeting was held at the *Park Inn Hotel, Leuven; room Erasmus* (plenary meeting room).

The address of the hotel is:

Martelarenlaan 36

BE-3010

Leuven, Belgium

Councillors present: Lode Godderis (BEMS), Mick Fellows (UKEMS), Giel Hendriks (DEMS), Amaya Azqueta (SEMA)

Send apologies: Arlt Volker (GUM), Marc Audebert (French SFTG), Ludovic LeHegarar (French SFTG), Olga I.Lavrik (Russia), Ksenija Zahradka (Croatia), Jelena Knezevic-Vukcevic (Serbia), Pavel Rossner (Czech & Slovak Republic)

Draft agenda

1. Welcome and presentation of participants
2. Leuven meeting update incl. the GA
3. Election of Vice president, results
4. New Constitution
5. 2018, 2019, 2020 EEMGS meeting
6. ICEM meetings
- 6a. Suggestions from members
7. Accounts and budget
8. Any other business

Items that were commented on:

2. Leuven meeting update incl. the GA

Last EEMGS meeting was in Copenhagen 2016.

EEMGS organizes yearly meetings, except when there is an ICEM meeting, which is the case this year (2017).

So therefore a big thank you that EEMGS could connect their Fritz Sobels award and GA to the UKEMS/BEMS/DEMS meeting in Leuven.

There was asked why there was none was selected for a young scientist award this year.

We only received 2 nominations and the main reasons were that they did not publish in key areas of mutagenesis research and the applicants were not sufficiently strong enough.

3. Election of Vice president, results

The results of the Vice president election were communicated.

We had 102 votes:

Brian Burlinson : 34 votes

George Johnson: 68 votes

We welcome George as the new VP

4. New Constitution

- Will only be put into force the next GA

- It was communicated that the national societies are not required to implement a name change because EEMS changed it's name to EEMGS

- EEMGS plans to register as SCIO
- A worry in relation to the BREXIT was raised. Though, this should not be of any influence since the EEMGS is a European society and not just focused on EU member states.

5. 2018, 2019, 2020 EEMGS meeting

- 2018: EEMGS meeting organized jointly with GUM March 18th – 22nd 2018 Potsdam, Germany
- 2019: Marc Audebert has confirmed that the French SFTG is happy to organize it in Rennes
- 2020: Portugal or Greece were suggested

6. ICEM meetings

- Both ICEM 2017 in Korea and ICEM 2021 in Canada were announced.
- For ICEM 2017:
 - * EEMGS awarded 1 young scientist travel award,
 - * EEMGS will sponsor the Human Biomonitoring session at ICEM with Stefano Bonassi, Denis Sarigiannis, Lisbeth E. Knudsen as well as the young scientist Tomasz Pilzys speaking as well as a Korean speaker allocated by ICEM.
- The EEMGS is planning to apply for ICEM 2025 to organize the meeting in Prague

7. Accounts and budget

- The budget was presented to the councillors.
- The Copenhagen meeting gave a surplus of more than 15000€, which was all transferred to EEMS since no local organizing society could share (no NordEMS). This was mainly due to the BCPT journals' main sponsorship and Lisbeth being the prime organizer.
- Some commented that the audits were quiet expensive (€5,000-6,000). Though we explained that we are obliged to have an official auditor since we are a charity.
(as comparison, UKEMS spent about £3,000-4,000

8. Any other business

We plan to show all members of a national society how they can easily register on the EEMGS website for free as a NS member.

The EEMGS General Assembly, Tuesday 27th of June 12:00-13:00.

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



Please see enclosed PPT file with the full presentation of the GA  *(double click)*

There were no additional comments raised during this meeting as compared to the councillor meeting.

The organisers from the UKEMS/BEMS/DEMS meeting, i.e. Mick, Lode and Giel, were officially thank for incorporating the EEMGS Business meetings and Fritz Sobels award into their programme.

All national councillors were asked to motivate their members to register on the EEMGS website as NS member as well (which is free of extra charge).