



UEMS IR Division Meeting with Delegates

Glasgow, UK, September 14, 2014, 10:45-11:30

Present: C. Loewe (AT), L. Defreyne (BE), P. Knüsel (CH), A. Bückner (DE), D. Vorwerk (DE), P. Haage (DE), E. Hernández (ES), M. Mizandari (GE), A. Chatziioannou (GR), E. Brountzos (GR), D. Kelekis (GR), D. Tsetis (GR), Vinko Vidjak (HR), Karlo Novacic (HR), M. Lee (IE), M. Bezzi (IT), F. Fanelli (IT), J. Reekers (NL), J. Egge (NO), M. Vozar (SK), M. L. Akesson (SW), I. Keussen (SW), H. Lindgren (SW), M.H. Öztürk (TR), R. Morgan (UK), A.-M. Belli (UK), I. Robertson (UK), D Waigl, P. Treppo

1. Welcome by UEMS IR Division Chairman / Introductions

J. Reekers welcomed the participants and thanked CIRSE for providing room facilities for the meeting. He pointed out that UEMS is not a CIRSE initiative and completely independent.

IR had become a division of the UEMS Radiology Section in 2009 and IR is officially recognised as subspecialty within the UEMS.

He highly encouraged all nations to apply for subspecialty status and would be happy to provide support.

2. Review and approval of the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved unanimously.

3. Officer elections

J. Reekers announced the candidates for the 2014 UEMS IR Division Board elections:

Jim Reekers	President
Mick Lee	Secretary
Alexis Kelekis	Treasurer
Fabrizio Fanelli	Treasurer

According to the UEMS rules of procedure for divisions, delegates of full UEMS member countries (one vote per delegation) and the President of the Radiology Section are entitled to cast a vote. Elections will be decided by simple majority voting.

Delegates from 13 countries were present and after an equal vote for the position of Treasurer, the vote has been repeated. In the final ballot, the delegates voted for the following UEMS IR Division Board by simple majority:

Jim Reekers	President
Mick Lee	Secretary
Fabrizio Fanelli	Treasurer



4. Memorandum of Understanding

a. With the UEMS Radiology Section

The UEMS IR Division had been negotiating with the Radiology Section to create a memorandum of understanding in order to define the division tasks, duties and obligations within the section as well as their relations and level of cooperation. The process was still in process.

b. With CIRSE

The UEMS IR Division established a memorandum of understanding with CIRSE which was beneficial for both parties. CIRSE is very supportive by providing free of charge meeting room facilities and administrative support. The UEMS IR Division also strongly encourages the EBIR examination and the European Curriculum and Syllabus for IR.

5. Live Case demonstrations: UEMS position

There had been discussions with the UEMS Radiology Division on putting up UEMS rules for live case presentations. J. Reekers highlighted that the UEMS IR Division was not opposing live case demonstrations, but certain instructions in terms of ethics needed to be established. Although the UEMS Council showed interest in this topic, no further response had been received.

6. Updates on UEMS matters

a. Endovascular procedures in FEBVS Logbook

The UEMS Section of Vascular Surgery had published a logbook in 2011 requiring only little or no specific training or experience for basic procedures.

A letter that had been sent by the IR Division after publication of the logbook requesting specific training and warning of dangers that resulted from such proceedings had remained unanswered.

b. Neuroradiology

In 2012, the Neuroradiology Training Charter had been published in Stroke, the journal of the American Heart Association. The training programme had not been endorsed by the UEMS Council.

c. UEMS Multidisciplinary Committee of Phlebology

The European College of Phlebology had established a European Multidisciplinary Committee of Phlebology within the UEMS. However, to date no activities were known.

7. Next Meeting at the CIRSE 2015 Annual Congress

The next UEMS IR Division Meeting with Delegates will take place on the occasion of CIRSE 2015 in Lisbon.

8. Any other business

No further business was discussed.