

## Presidents Report 2017

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### Conferences

ESPA was involved in the joint meeting with the South African Society for Paediatric Anaesthesia in November 2016. The planned Joint Meeting with the SARNEPI Italy was highly successful and took place in Perugia June 2017

ESPA agreed on the organisation of the second International Assembly of Paediatric Anaesthesia next year in Brussels.

We agreed on the following conference location for 2019 and that was Trondheim, Norway. Erik Isern was identified as the Head of the Norwegian LOC. Additionally ESPA was invited by the French Society to organize a joint meeting in Paris in 2017 what we of course have agreed on. The ESPA-SFAR Meeting was in September 2017 and very well attended. We are sure that this will be continued.

In 2018 we will also have a joint meeting with our friends and long year partners from Great Britain, the APAGBI. We will have a joint meeting in London in 2018 and the contract to be signed is already submitted to the APAGBI and is under review.

### Collaboration with other societies

Together with our PCO we had a booth at the ESA conference in Geneva 2017 where we were abler to present the aims of the society and get in contact with interested colleagues.

In February we had a face to face meeting with representatives from the ESPNIC and we were looking forward to increase this collaboration. Possible core topics were discussed like common conferences, common guidelines and mutual agreements for public statements

In Glasgow we will have the second meeting of the Paediatric societies special interest group. The presidents of the well-known Paediatric Societies worldwide are going to attend the meeting. Goals are to discuss the structure of the IAPA and to sign a memorandum of understanding.

### Social Media Campaign

ESPA was trying to find new ways to communicate with their members and people interested in the work of ESPA. Therefore we started a video channel with news for new members and explaining the benefits of being a member. Additionally we want to inform about the conference and forthcoming events. To increase the interaction between our members we also started a photo contest during the Glasgow conference.

### Structure of ACORN

We identified that the communication with the ESPA ACORNS could be improved. Two of our ExBo Members Nada Sabourdin and Eva Schaffrath introduced a new concept for the ACORNS meeting

### Tasks agreed on to be done from last General Assembly

ESPA agreed on to work on the fasting guidelines for children. Meanwhile we were able to publish a review paper highlighting our new proposal for a revision of these guidelines. It is already accepted for publication by the BJA.

The group of Marzena Zielinska wrote a first draft for sedation guidelines. Meanwhile new components of the pain ladder project were published.

ESPA additionally wrote an internal guideline as a bylaw to regulate requests for approval from other persons or societies. ESPA agreed on a new 5-years business plan from 2016-2021.

We also have modified our contract with our PCO Guarant and association house to allow a new strategy for affiliate membership. Now, a proposal for that has to be worked out by the treasurer

### Website

We were working on the “member’s only section” of the website to make all the protocols, reports and minutes of the meeting visible and readable for our members. The video archive was tagged and functionality was improved

### E-learning

The group of Torsten Lauritsen finished the first step of a new e-learning platform for ESPA members.

### Financial issues

The transfer of all accounts from ABN AMRO to the Deutsche Bank was finished. We have discussed several ways of investment to deposit a certain percentage from our account on stock market oriented funds. This was done in 2017.

Overall 2017 was a very fruitful and busy year for the society and we can conclude that 2017 was highly successful according to our aim and our statues to increase quality, knowledge and safety for Paediatric Anaesthesia

Signed Saturday, 23 September 2017



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