



## **UEMS IR Division Meeting with Delegates**

**14 September, 2013, 10:45-11:30**

*Present:* M. Gschwendtner (AT), V. Vidjak (HR), M. Rocek (CZ), P. E. Andersen (DK), D. Vorwerk (DE), L. Lawler (IE), O. M. van Delden (NL), J. Egge (NO), T. Moreno Sánchez (ES), M. H. Öztürk (TR), L. Oguzkurt (TR), I. Robertson (UK), D. Ettles (UK), L. Defreyne (BE), K. Novačić (HR), M. Mizandari (GE), M. J. Lee (IE), A. Ryan (IE), F. Fanelli (IT), J. A. Reekers (NL), E. E. Hernández (ES), I. Keussen (SE), M. Åkesson (SE), P. Knüsel (CH), R. Bažík (SK), R. Morgan (UK), K. Hausegger (AT), J. Peregrin (CZ), A.-M. Belli (UK), P. Haage (DE), E. Broutzos (GR), D. Waigl, M. Zoidl

### **1. Welcome by UEMS IR Division Chairman / Introductions**

J. Reekers welcomed the participants to the meeting and gave a short overview on the history of the UEMS IR Division. IR as a subspecialty of the UEMS was recognised in 2009. The CIRSE leadership had initiated the process in 2007 to make IR more visible and to increase acceptance of specific requirements for IR within Radiology and vis-à-vis Hospitals, Reimbursement Agencies, Government, etc.

### **2. MoU with the UEMS Radiology Section**

A memorandum of understanding between the UEMS Radiology Section and the UEMS IR Division should be signed to define their relations, level of cooperation or independence as well as their tasks, duties and obligations towards each other. The president of the UEMS Radiology Section will be contacted to finish this process.

### **3. MoU with CIRSE**

J. Reekers also suggested creating a memorandum of understanding with the Cardiovascular Radiological Society of Europe to strengthen relationships and to make a unified effort to support that small but increasingly important subspecialty. This suggestion was brought to the vote.

**Vote:** *Permanent ex-officio membership of 2 CIRSE representatives in IR Division.*

Show of hands: approved by majority vote

### **4. Roadmap for future activities of the division**

#### **a) The new IR Division homepage**

In August 2013, the UEMS IR Division launched an own website to keep its members informed:

[www.uemsir.eu](http://www.uemsir.eu)



## 5. Endovascular procedures in FEBVS Logbook

With the UEMS' approval, the Section and Board of Vascular Surgery had published a logbook in 2011 in which endovascular procedures were categorised in basic/intermediate/advanced. According to the logbook, basic procedures are requiring only little or no specific training or experience.

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 until July 2013.

In their reply, the UEMS leadership did not make an offer to be the intermediary between disciplines but asked the (sub)specialties to meet, nor was any responsibility taken for the documents.

## 6. Neuroradiology

In 2012, the Neuroradiology Training Charter was published in Stroke, the journal of the American Heart Association. No involvement of Interventional Radiologists (CIRSE) had taken place. ESNR, the European Society of Neuroradiology and the ESR, European Society of Radiology had also not been consulted.

CIRSE / ESNR / ESR had submitted a letter to the editor.

## 7. Next Meeting at the CIRSE 2014 Annual Congress

Another official meeting with delegates of the UEMS IR Division will take place on the occasion of the CIRSE Annual Scientific Meeting in Glasgow in September 2014.

### a) Officer elections 2014

**Vote:** *Offices within the Division would be newly assigned in 2014.*

Show of hands: approved by majority vote

## 8. AoB

No further points were discussed and the meeting was closed.