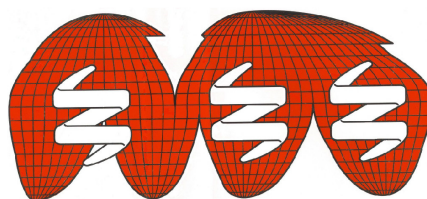


Minutes of ICT Business Meeting

Thursday, 18th September 2015, 15:30-16:45
ICT-14, Berlin, Germany



Agenda

1. Approval of minutes of last Business Meeting (ICOPA 2014)
2. ICT Committee Reports
3. Financial Report
4. Nominations for the new ICT members
5. Election of the new Executive Committee (EC) Members
6. Elected Honorary Members of ICT
7. Bid for the 15th International Conference on Trichinellosis in 2019
8. Any Other Business

Ad 1) Approval of minutes of last Business Meeting

The minutes from the meeting in 2014 have been approved by all participants.

Ad 2) ICT Committee Reports

By-Laws Committee (R. Gamble)

No revisions have been proposed for the ICT By-Laws during this period. No revisions have been proposed for the ICT Policies and Procedures during this period.

Guidelines Committee (R. Gamble)

Process: (1) Primary authors write/revise guideline; (2) Reviewers revise/edit – one or two levels of review; (3) Approval by ICT Executive Committee.

New Guidelines:

- Species Identification – authored by Pozio/Zarlenga – EC approved
- Surveillance – authored by OECD committee – in progress

Revisions:

- Quality Assurance - reviewed by Gajadhar/Scandrett; no updates needed.
- Post-Harvest Control - revised by Noeckler/Hill/Gamble/Gajadhar - ready for external review.
- Pre-Harvest Control – revised by Alban/Pyburn – in progress.
- Serology – revised by Bruschi, Gomez-Morales, Hill - ready for external review.

Membership Committee (K. Noeckler)

Last update was in April 2015. Currently, 124 ICT members from 47 countries including 6 honorary members: Wanda Kociecka (PL), Zbigniew Pawlowski (PL), Derek Wakelin (UK), Darwin Murrell (US), William Campbell (US), Charles Kim (US). 7 new members approved in 2014: Ahmad Othman (EG), Nicole Werner-Keiss (LV), F. Ricardo Gomez de Anda (MX), Alisa Gruden Movsesijan (RS), Justyna Bien (PL), Milena Zivojinovic (RS), Anna Lunden (SE).

Website Committee (R. Gamble)

The website is hosted by *GoDaddy*; annual cost ~\$100 for hosting and web builder software. Updates were posted as submitted for membership, business meetings, conferences, guidelines, etc. There is opportunity for someone to take over management of the website.

Research/Diagnostics Committee (A. Gajadhar)

Requests for information, diagnostic tests, research, etc. OECD sponsored a workshop “Best practices for documenting negligible risk”. There is the new OIE Animal Health Code Chapter - *Trichinella* Infection. A FAO/WHO Expert Meeting was held on “Risk-based examples for *Trichinella* control”. Another FAO/WHO meeting was conducted on “Risk Profile for *Trichinella*”. Codex CCFH – Guidelines for the control of *Trichinella* in meat of Suidae. Research data needed to standards for curing.

Ad 3) *Financial Report* (K. Noeckler)

Balance 2014:	+3505 USD	(2776 EUR, exchange rate 1 EUR=1.26 USD)
Loss exchange rate	- 424 USD	(exchange rate 1 EUR=1.11 USD)
Student Award ICT-14:	-2000 USD	(1800 EUR, exchange rate 1 EUR=1.11 USD)
<u>Rest</u>	<u>+1081 USD</u>	<u>(973 EUR, exchange rate 1EUR=1.11 USD)</u>

Surplus from ICT-14:	+5060 USD	(4560 EUR, exchange rate 1 EUR=1.11 USD)
Costs for Special Issue:	+2530 USD	(2280 EUR, exchange rate 1 EUR=1.11 USD)

Ad 4) *Nominations for new ICT Members* (K. Noeckler)

Nominations are based on *By-Laws* of ICT. Nominees shall be individuals who are active in any aspect of *Trichinella* or trichinellosis. Consequently, nominees should also regularly attend the ICT conferences. The following persons were nominated by the Membership Committee:

Argentina	Dr. Fernando Farina	(Prof. Mabel Ribicich)
Denmark	Dr. Lis Alban	(Dr. Joke van der Giessen)
China	Dr. Liu Xiaolei	(Prof. Liu Mingyuan)
China	Dr. Xue Bai	(Prof. Liu Mingyuan)
Germany	Dr. Anne Mayer-Scholl	(Dr. Karsten Nöckler)
Poland	Dr. Miroslav Rozycki	(Dr. Karsten Nöckler)
Romania	Dr. Calin Gherman	(Dr. Radu Blaga)
Thailand	Dr. Montakan Vongpakorn	(Prof. Pascal Boireau)

All nominated new ICT members were approved by participants of the ICT Business Meeting. An official letter to nominated and approved new ICT members will be sent for accepting the membership.

Ad 5) Election of the new Executive Committee (EC) Members

New EC members were nominated by the Nominations Committee appointed by the President of ICT.

President	Joke van der Giessen	(Netherlands)
Vice President	Dante Zarlenga	(United States)
Secretary General	Karsten Noeckler	(Germany)
Members	Liu Mingyuan	(China)
	Mabel Ribicich	(Argentina)
	Liljiana Sofronic-M.	(Serbia)
	Brad Scandrett	(Canada)
	Isabelle Vallee	(France)
	Antti Oksanen	(Finland)
Past President	Bretislav Koudela	(Czech Republic)
	Alvin Gajadhar	(Canada)

Ad 6) Elected Honorary Members of ICT

Dr. Edoardo Pozio (Italy) and Prof. Jean Dupouy-Camet (France) were elected as honorary members of ICT.

Ad 7) Bid for the 15th International Conference on Trichinellosis in 2019

Proposals should be sent by e-mail to the President of Executive Committee **by December 31st, 2015**. Preparation of proposals according to ICT Policies and Procedures, the guidelines are available under: http://www.bfr.bund.de/en/program_at_a_glance-192336.html. The President will then disseminate the proposals to the Executive Committee members and organize an electronic vote. The selected next host country will be notified by the President no later than 90 days after the submission deadline.

Ad 8) Any Other Business

Announcements

- International Association for Food and Waterborne Parasitology (A. Gajadhar)
- Conference on Tropical Animal Diseases and Veterinary Public Health, Berlin, Germany, 4-8 September 2016 (K. Noeckler)
- 3rd Congress on Parasitology and Mycology in Tunisia, Tunis, 28-30 October 2015 (P. Boireau)
- International Conference WHO-FERG Global burden of food-borne disease, 15-16 December 2015, Amsterdam (J. van der Giessen)
- 1st Cystinet International Conference, 3-4 November 2015, Belgrade, Serbia (J. van der Giessen)

Reminder for the submission of ICT-14 Proceedings. Detailed information is available from ICT-14 website: <http://www.bfr.bund.de/en/publication-192371.html>

The deadline for submission is **December 31st, 2015**.

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List of attending ICT members (35)

Mabel Ribicich (Argentina), Marleen Claes (Belgium), Alvin Gajadhar (Canada), Brad Scandrett (Canada), Liu Mingyuan (China), Zhongquan Wang (China), Xuelin Wang (China), Jing Cui (China), Baoquan Fu (China), Bretislav Koudela (Czech Republic), Christian Kapel (Denmark), Leena Oivanen (Finland), Antti Oksanen (Finland), Jean Dupouy-Camet (France), Isabelle Vallee (France), Pascal Boireau (France), Radu Blaga (France/Romania), Karsten Noeckler (Germany), Alvydas Malakauskas (Lithuania), Joke van der Giessen (Netherlands), Frits Franssen (Netherlands), Fabrizio Bruschi (Italy), Edoardo Pozio (Italy), Ljiljana Sofronic-Milosavljevic (Serbia), Milena Zivojinovic (Serbia), Alisa Gruden-Movsesijan (Serbia), Zuzana Hurnikova (Slovak Republic), Louis La Grange (South Africa), Francisco Bolas-Fernandez (Spain), Anna Lunden (Sweden), Caroline Frey (Switzerland), Ray Gamble (USA), Dante Zarlenga (USA), Dave Pyburn (USA), Benjamin Rosenthal (USA)