

## ESO Education Committee – Annual Report 2016-17

*David Werring, Chair*

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### 1. Constitution of the committee

David Werring (Chair),	United Kingdom
Ana Catarina Fonseca,	Portugal
Michael Mazya,	Sweden
Joan Montaner,	Spain
Satu Mustanoja,	Finland
Laszlo Olah,	Hungary
Aleksandra Pavlovic,	Serbia
Jan Sobesky,	Germany
Emmanuel Touzé,	France
Alastair Webb,	United Kingdom

**New members.** During 2016, Jesper Peterssen, Marcel Arnold and Jaap Kappelle came to the end of their terms of office. Three new members were elected from 15 potential candidates: Ana Catarina Fonseca, Michael Mazya, and Joan Montaner. This was done by a voting process involving all committee members, conducted by email.

Dr. Pavlovic's term of office ends at the ESOC 2017. According to the ESO rules, new potential members will be proposed to the ESO Executive by the Educational Committee. We are discussing this by teleconference, including consideration of previous applicants, and will have elected a new member prior to the ESOC meeting.

### 2. Communications

Teleconferences were held in November 2016 and March 2017 to discuss progress and ongoing projects. There will be a face-to-face meeting at ESOC Barcelona.

### 3. Stroke Summer School

- The Committee supported the Summer School 2016, including regular teleconferences with the organizing committee and input into the program. In particular, ESOC provided advice and support on sponsorship. This meeting was successfully held in Madrid, Spain. The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) consisted of Prof. Dr. Exuperio Díez-Tejedor, MD, PhD, Chair, Dr. Blanca Fuentes, MD, PhD, and Dr. María Alonso de Leciñana, MD, PhD.

- The Summer School 2017 will be in Larissa, Greece (head of LOC, George Ntaios). The Educational Committee have had input into the program. Progress has been excellent with a finalized program, confirmed venue and sponsorship, etc. Everything is on track for a successful conference.
- The Education Committee sent an invitation, via newsletter, to all ESO members for bids to host future Summer Schools. Following an assessment of all bids by the Education Committee and ESO Executive we are pleased to confirm the future venues as follows:
  - 2018 (Berlin, lead Dr Sobesky)
  - 2019 (Helsinki, lead Dr Mustanoja)
  - 2020 (Caen, lead Dr Touze)

#### **4. Stroke winter school**

The ESO / ESMINT 2017 Winter School was held in February 2017 (Bern, Switzerland) as previously. The ESO Executive should decide whether in future it is reasonable to rotate to other centres beyond this. Specialist facilities are needed for some of the experimental sessions, and are only available in a few centres. The Educational Committee discussed this at the teleconference 13 March 2017 and support this meeting continuing to be hosted in Bern.

#### **5. The Virtual stroke university**

The Educational Committee produced a strategy document for updating the concept and aims of the VSU, which was approved by the ESO Executive. The Committee Chair has been involved in discussions with the World Stroke University team and ESO executive. It has been agreed that ESO will enter a partnership with the WSO Stroke Academy to form an ESO-WSO Stroke Academy to deliver content on behalf of ESO. An Editorial Board has been appointed (Ana Catarina Fonseca, Michael Mazya, Alastair Webb, Jan Sobesky, David Werring), who have selected content from ESO Prague 2017 to be included in the new initiative.

#### **5. Assessing the feasibility of web-based seminars**

Michael Mazya has been leading on this. We are still developing a proposal, including funding needed, for presentation to the Educational Committee and then the Executive. This concept might be linked to the ESO-WSO initiative and will be discussed further in 2017-18. Dr Mazya has been in preliminary scoping with the WSO Academy team and several national stroke organisations worldwide.