ESO ILC Committee – Annual Report 2019

G Tsivgoulis Chair

Requests for endorsement: In 2019-20, the ILC assessed 28 requests for endorsement and approved all requests, except for 3 that were declined after extensive discussion with all members of the Committee because of the limited number of stroke lectures in the program and because the topic of the congress was not related to cerebrovascular diseases. Currently there is no other request under consideration.

Fast track process: The Chair approval process appears to be working well. Of the 28 requests above, 7 were requests for repeated meetings (that have received previous endorsement) and therefore were endorsed by the chair without further discussion by the Committee. The rest were referred to the Committee. The median time from request submission to final decision was 4 days. The decision was unanimous within members of the Committee both for requests that were accepted for or were declined endorsement.

Revised rules: The revised guidelines on endorsement introduced in 2015, also appear to be working well, resulting in a noticeable reduction in the number of applications that required clarification.

Meetings: The ILC met in person at ESOC 2019, Milan and will meet in person at ESOC 2020, Vienna.

Outreach: No Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) were reached for the year 2019-2020.

Membership: Georgios Tsivgoulis (Chair, Greece), Ana Aires (Portugal), Christos Krogias (Germany), Marta Rubiera (Spain), Robert Ronen Leker (Israel), Nitin Goyal (USA), Sami Curtze (Finland), Maurizio Paciaroni (Italy), Vijay Sharma (Singapore), Robin Lemmens (Belgium). To maintain a good range of country representation across Europe we included new members (Ana Paires, Christos Krogias, Nitin Goyal, Robert Ronen Leker, Marta Rubiera, Vijay Sharma).

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