



IFCC-CPD Executive Committee Meeting

Bali, Indonesia

27-28th October 2013

Approved Minutes

Members:

Members:	Position	Term	Time in Office
<i>Khosrow Adeli – KA (CA)</i>	Chair	1 st	2013 01 – 2015 12
<i>Edgard Delvin - ED (CA)</i>	Vice-Chair / PR Coordinator	1 st	2013 01 – 2015 12
<i>Peter Vervaart – PV (AU)</i>	Secretary/ Publications- Distance Learning Coordinator	1 st	2011 01 – 2013 12
<i>Gabor Kovacs - GK (HU)</i>	Editor, eJIFCC	1 st	2012 01 – 2014 12
<i>Tahir Pillay – TP (ZA)</i>	Editor, IFCC News	1 st	2013 01 – 2015 12
<i>Bruce Jordan – BJ (CH)</i>	Corporate Representative	1 st	2011 01 – 2013 12

Guests: Silvia Colli-Lanzi (IFCC Office), Anthony Newman (Elsevier), Janine Grant (incoming Web Editor)

10.25.1 Roll Call and Welcome

Present: KA, PV, SCL, BJ, TP, GK

Apology: ED (has provided some e-mails with information re LAV)

10.25.2 Finalization of Agenda

BJ to have a slightly longer presentation during Corporate Rep section.

eJIFCC indexing.

Requirements for Switzerland meeting.

National Society editor meeting tomorrow afternoon.

Action: SCL only need 2 hours for next meeting.

EB presentation by KA and PV (1:30 to 2:15) Meeting to resume at 2:30.

Discussion of open access agreement

Slide templates

10.25.3 Approval of Minutes, Committee Meeting, 18th to 19th May 2013

Minutes were approved.

10.25.3.1 Review Action Items – completed/pending

Action: PV to set up Resource page on website.

Completed.

Action: JG/PV to move ethics document to this section.

Action: PV/SCL to investigate CPD EC repository through website

To be completed.

Action: AN to write recommendation re copyright and provide help with indexing.

In progress, to be discussed later.

Action: KA to seek score sheet from previous indexing submission.

KA reported was unable to locate. GK to speak to GS/EJ re documents however GK/AN felt probably not that important as 5 years ago and lots of changes since and most issues now resolved. 2 questions to be resolved: authorship and format. Also get letters of support from prominent people within IFCC and other editors (PubMed Yes Thompsons No).

Action: PV/SCL to determine number of publications downloads from website.

Complete.

Action: TP to send Library of Medicine link to ED.

Complete

Action: ED to review Creative Commons licenses and provide recommendations to EC and contact National Representatives.

To be completed.

Action: KA to write to Insoft and formally ask for a costed proposal re e publications.

Complete.

Action: PV to contact Robert Flatman re status of Silverbook.

Complete.

Action: GK to investigate COPE and join on behalf of IFCC

Investigated but not yet joined. 150 pounds annual registration. Question whether journal indexed. GK recommends a joint submission.

Action: SCL to add two editors from CCA to editor list.

Complete.

Action: AN to arrange electronic access for all IFCC officers to CCA and IFCC logo to be placed on journal.

Completed for officers but not yet for National Society Reps.

Action: KA to suggest dates for 2014 meetings

Complete, to be discussed later.

Action: KA to make recommendation of 2nd terms for BJ and PV to EB

Complete. To be officially presented to EB today.

Action: SCL to provide EFT details to AN.

Complete, and funds paid.

10.26. Activity and Annual Reports

10.26.1. Report of the Chair (KA)

KA provided his report and noted that he had been busy with a few items since Milan:

BJ and PV recommendation. Approved by EB.

JG and social media coordinator recommendations for C-leL approved.

Change to APFCB symposia (TP replaced EJ).

Submission to Istanbul meeting approved.

Quito meeting not accepted. Decision to resubmit to Paris 2015. PV reported that C-leL was also resubmitting to Paris organizing committee.

Action: KA to discuss with Tomris as process seems to have changed.

KA and EJ also submitted proposal to AACC for symposium on Value of Pathology.

Open Access Agreement: need to decide who copyright owner is. GK found useful form which we should use. Require approval of CPD (and EB). Paragraph already sent. Two agreements: Author copyright and agreement to distribute. Also need other agreements (AN). CCBY plus a little extra (three options on CCA website). No reproduction without Authors approval. Mention to EB that writing document by end of year for approval by EB.

Protection for Editors: Issue raised by Nader Rifai at last Editors meeting. KA feels should have set of guidelines for editors of IFCC national society journals. Include appropriate peer review, behavior, liability and protection of editors. AN feels would be a useful resource. Can be part of IFCC PR activities. Makes sense to develop document during Istanbul meeting.

Action: TP and GK agreed to put together for Pesc meeting.

Insoft proposal for 2nd Phase of website to be discussed during C-leL report.

Lab Medicine brochure translated by Ramon Deulofeu into Spanish and to include national society logo. Give agreement to include national society logo but without editing content unless with agreement of IFCC/CPD EC. Include in resources section and within National Society page. Do on case by case basis.

Action: A brochure template to be edited and placed on website.

Action: KA to let ED know has been approved.

Contacted EJ re LAV report. EJ provided report.

EI Microscopio and WG-IANT reports also received.

10.26.1.1 Insoft Proposal to Publish eNews and eJournal

Proposal sent by e-Mail. Help to publish eJ and eNews as 'page flipper' software.

Proposal presented by KA and discussed. GK stated that the proposal needs to be changed to format required by PubMed (XML plus PDF) and copyright issues. Needs to be done for previous issues as well. GK supports in principle. PV also supports in terms of taking heat off Office. TP felt has benefits in terms of software, upgrades etc. Also consistency in terms of editor changes etc. Major concern was size of the files. Can include in contract. BJ felt continuity was important and supported longer contract but to have an exit clause based on deliverables/KPIs. AN questioned their longevity as a company. Also asked re ownership of files and archiving policy for files (including website). SCL supports and is happy working with them. Needs to be a fluid process for the first few issues. Need to make page numbers more flexible (e.g. total number per year). JG also supported re outsourcing and continuity. Incorporate a software review clause in the contract. KA suggested a conference call with Ion to discuss and then write up contract. Review of budget suggests we have enough in budget to cover contract. KA to present to EB that we have agreed to negotiate a contract with Insoft (5 years with 1 year clause) within our budget. Approved by EB. Start date of January 2014.

Action: SCL to set up conference call in November.

10.26.2. Report of the Vice Chair and Chair Public Relations Committee (ED)

10.2.1. Committee-Public Relations (C-PR) (ED)

10.2.1.1 Membership

The C-PR membership is as follows.

Committee Members

Dr. Edgard Delvin (ED) (CA) – Chair C-PR
Dr. Ramon Deulofeu (RD) (Spain) – 1st Term 2011-2013
Dr. Loralie Langman (LL) (USA) – 2nd Term 2011-2013
Dr. Susan Matthews (SM) (Australia) – 2nd Term 2011-2013
Dr. Anelise Zemlin (ZA) 1st Term 2013-2015

Corresponding members

Dr. Emmanuel Agbedana (EA) (Nigeria)
Dr. Camelia GRIGORE (CG) (Romania)
Dr. Magdalena Krintus (MK) (Poland)
Dr. Curtis Oleschuk (CO) (Canada)
Dr. Katherina PSARRA (KP) (Greece)
Dr. Monica Spalvieri (MS) (Argentina)

Advisors

Dr. Fouad Harb (FH) – representing the Arab Federation
Dr. Endang Hoyaranda (EH) – representing APFCB
Dr. Ana Leticia de Maselli (LM) – representing COLABIOCLI
Dr. Graig Webster (CW) – EFLM Chair of the Communications Committee

Katherina and Monica to start terms in January 2014. Susan potential Committee member in future. Loralie now a corresponding member of C-IEI.

10.2.1.2 Activity Report

There has been one meeting in Milan to which all the Committee Members were in attendance, except for Dr. Susan Matthews who had sent her regrets. Dr. Katherina Psarra, Dr. Emmanuel Agbedana and Dr Ellis Jacobs (EJ), representing the IFCC on the LAV Consortium were also present.

10.9. Public Relations

10.9.1. PR Brochures

After many attempts to convince the German & Portuguese Representatives to provide an updated version of the respective brochures, ED has now contacted Ullisses Tuma for the Portuguese version. ED is looking for a German-speaking nearby colleague.

Ramon Deulofeu had reported in Milan, the use of IFCC Brochures during the 2012 Spanish Laboratory meeting held in Barcelona. He has now translated the "Understanding the clinical Laboratory" brochure in to Spanish, and will use it at the forthcoming SEQC meeting. We have agreed that the Spanish Society logo be added. This a first experiment and we will see how it will be received. This will be advertised to other Societies.

KA suggestion to contact available persons, not only the official reference person. As for the next Brochures revision also the content must be updated. The local versions of the PR brochures will be published on the website

Action: BJ to contact ED re German translations.

10.9.3. PR Posters

New posters were prepared and are updated

10.9.4. Publicity

10.9.5. Miscellaneous PR Projects

Taskforce on the Impact of Laboratory Medicine on Clinical Management and Outcomes (TF-ICO).

As suggested at the Milan C-PR Meeting, ED initiated a liaison with the TF-ICO. ED has recently contacted Mike Hallworth to inquire on the progress of the article on the impact of clinical laboratory on patient care and on cost/benefits stemming from the research that the group had performed. ED has proposed that data be used in a short form for PR-Brochures and in existing or new PP presentations, and that these be translated into many languages much like the existing brochures ED commented that this document is in line with the mission of the LAV consortium. His response was positive and ED will receive the article when it will be submitted for publication.

10.9.5.1 PR Slide Kit

10.9.5.2 Lab Medicine Slide Kit

These slide kits are intended to be used by IFCC Member Societies Representatives to promote the organization and the activities of IFCC. There is a feeling that these slide kits and other PR materials are not used effectively. In accord with the proposal of C-PR Committee members:

We pursue the idea of having the Member Societies & Regional Federations to add their own logos on the version they would use locally. A premiere has happened for a brochure (refer to above paragraph). This will be extended to Slide presentations.

10.2.1.2.1 Labs are Vital Campaign

ED attended the Press Conference held during the AACC Annual Meeting in Houston last July. After having met Richard Kent, Director of the LAV Consortium, ED submitted his candidacy to the position of Clinical Editor for the Consortium to represent the C-PR. EJ has mentioned that there might be more than one person to hold the role of Clinical Editor. At the present time, ED has received neither confirmation nor denial of his candidacy. EJ is to provide feedback.

LAV changed its global approach and structure. Central resource person to be identified. ED sent his application. Would be in addition to EJ. KA will forward a report to the EC. BJ comments it's good for industry to have the feedback on the projects. This LAV is an example of positive collaboration.

10.2.1.2.2 Current and Future C-PR plans

IFCC Young Scientist TF

ED met with Damien Gruson in Houston and discussed the possibility of having the IFCC Young Scientist TF help to promote IFCC to younger members of the medical laboratory science profession. He has agreed to see that documentation be sent to C-PR for inclusion into promotional brochures and slide kits.

EI Microscopio

Dr. Hernán Fares Taie has invited ED to participate in a radio program of EI Microscopio. This initiative is in search of additional funding and tools for promotional purposes.

Worldwide visibility of IFCC

Upon Ramon Deulofeu's suggestions at the last C-PR meeting in Milan, we envisage the increase of the worldwide visibility of IFCC Committees, WG and task forces, at different levels (National Associations, Regional Federations, Professional Associations, Decision makers). In order to do so, C-PR Committee Members will be assigned to liaise with National Societies or Associations that are within their broad geographical region and/or linguistic realm to make known the activities and services of IFCC.

Action: ED to contact and encourage each committee member to be contact to their region/country and work actively as to plan PR activities at a local level

10.26.3. Report of the Secretary and Chair Internet and e- Learning Committee (PV)

10.2.2. Committee-Internet and e-Learning (C-leL) (PV)

10.2.2.1 Membership

Name	Family name	Position	Term	Time in Office	Country
Peter	Vervaart	Chair	1 st	2011 1-2013 12	Australia
Eduardo	Freggiaro	Social Media Coordinator	1 st	2012 1-2014 12	Argentina
Petr	Kocna	Member	1 st	2012 1-2014 12	Czech Republic
Janine	Grant	Web Editor	1 st	2014 1-2016 12	Australia
Hideo	Sakamoto	Member	1 st	2012 1-2014 12	Japan
Montserrat	Blanes Gonzales	Corresponding Member			Paraguay
Christine	Collier	Corresponding Member			Canada
Rhena	Delpont	Corresponding Member			South Africa
Endang	Hoyaranda	Corresponding Member			Indonesia
Gustav	Kováč	Corresponding Member			Slovak Republic
Ana	Merino	Corresponding Member			Spain
Barna	Vásárhelyi	Corresponding Member			Hungary
Loralie	Langman	Corresponding Member			USA
Sanjeevi	Rao	Corresponding Member			India

A call for nominations to replace Andrew Lyon as Web Editor was sent out after the Milan meeting with two applicants, 1) Ms Janine Grant - Australasian Association of Clinical Biochemists and 2) Dr Sadaram Sanjeevi Rao - Association of Medical Biochemists of India. Following review of the applications Janine was declared the successful applicant and is present at this meeting as an observer and for some training in the use of the Umbraco CMS. Dr Rao subsequently accepted a position as corresponding member to the C-IeL.

Further a call for nominations was held for a newly created position on the C-IeL (from the current membership) of Social Media Coordinator with Dr Eduardo Freggiaro as the only, and successful, applicant. PV will work with Eduardo in promoting the IFCC Social Media presence and activity of the IFCC through our Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter accounts.

10.2.2.2 Activity Report

PV continues to work closely with the Committee for Distance Learning and Insoft in developing electronic/distance learning materials and access for IFCC members utilising an 'e-Academy' approach which is discussed below.

A second trial of electronic voting utilising the Election Buddy platform occurred over the month of August and was highly successful. In November we will go live with the election of the President, Treasurer and Secretary which will be followed by the rest of the EB in January next year.

The IFCC LinkedIn group continues to grow (>1200 members) and we have also set up a company page as part of the Add This install so that interested individuals can 'follow' the IFCC. The Facebook page is growing at a slower pace however we have 96 members and 1341 likes. We have just set up a Twitter account which will be part of the new Social Media Coordinator's role to tweet about IFCC activities.

10.7. Web Site (PV)

10.7.1 Organizational matters

The website continues to develop under the tutelage of Insoft our website vendor. The most recent enhancements have been the embedding of Social Media tools (Add This) on to the pages which allow users to share the content through their social media contacts. A report on Add This usage is attached.

A further enhancement under current development is to convert the web pages to a responsive layout which means that the content will be properly sized whether viewed on a PC, tablet or

smartphone. Insoft has billed this enhancement at 14 billable hours (PV awaits a quote before giving final approval to proceed).

Action: PV to obtain formal quote for Phase II of website

10.7.1.1 Website Statistical Report

See attached report from Insoft.

10.7.1.3 Policy and Procedure for IFCC functional unit web pages

This is still to be developed however while control of pages remains with the C-leL, IFCC Office and Insoft there is no immediate need for this.

10.7.1.4 eJournal/eNews archiving

This is now largely complete.

10.7.1.5 Status of Phase II launch of website

As mentioned above we are now ready for Phase II of the website which will include the responsive layout, eAcademy, and capacity for eCommerce. Insoft have developed a number of options in each of these areas and are currently putting together a quotation on each area which will be presented to the committee for approval and/or staged development.

10.7.2. Bookstore

This will be part of the eCommerce offering discussed above.

10.7.3 e-Banners

Continue to add banners as we receive them.

10.7.4. Databases

The 'Register of Experts' database is ready to go and awaits EB approval to proceed. Have yet to receive an updated database from the C-EBLM. The NPU database continues to be uploaded on a monthly basis.

10.7.5 Distance Learning Programs and eAcademy

The distance learning pages of the website continue to develop and we are now able to offer access to a significant amount of content which has been reviewed by the C-DL. Jointly the C-leL and C-DL have also asked National Societies for copies of their local post-graduate curriculums for review and compilations into an 'IFCC Curriculum' which we will use for tagging of learning programs on the website and also in development of the eAcademy. Insoft have recently put forward an early draft of what the e-Academy will look like (see below):

The screenshot shows the IFCC eAcademy website. At the top left is the IFCC logo (International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine) with the tagline 'Leading the fields of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine worldwide'. The top right has navigation links: Home, About us, IFCC Newsletter, eJIFCC, Resources, Sitemap, Contact us. Below this is a dark blue navigation bar with links: Executive Board and Council, Scientific Activities, Education and Management, Communications and Publications, Congresses and Conferences, Index by Subject. The main content area has a breadcrumb trail 'You are here: [Homepage](#) » eAcademy'. On the left is a sidebar with 'IFCC eAcademy' and links for Topics, Events, Content types, Authors, and Document Library. The main area has a search bar 'Search the entire eAcademy...' with a 'Submit' button and a 'Hide advanced search' link. Below the search bar are several filters: 'Search by keyword:' with an input field, 'All topics' (dropdown), 'Content type: All content types' (dropdown), 'Date interval: from - to' (input fields), 'Event: All events' (dropdown), and 'Author: All authors' (dropdown). Below these filters is a section '... Or browse by topics' containing a 3x4 grid of topic cards. Each card has a 'Topic 1' header, a 'Details...' link, and 'XX items' text.

PV has also provided feedback on the proposal around the need to have a register of users and logins for the purpose of CPD tracking and Insoft are developing this side of the proposal for review.

Approved by EB utilising current budget.

Action: PV to ask Insoft to invoice half this year and 2nd half of stage 1 on completion.

Action: PV to ask C-DL to also review and approve.

Action: KA to discuss with Mauricio Ferrari to share costs.

10.3. Working Groups

10.3.1. Electronic Journal of the IFCC (WG-EJIFCC) (GK)

10.3.1.1 Membership

Name	Position	Country	Term	Time in Office
G.L. Kovács	Chair	HU	1st	2012 01 - 2013 12
B. Bozic	Member	SI		
R. Erasmus	Member	ZA		
N.E. Fink	Member	AR		

E. Jacobs	Member	US
E. Koay	Member	SG
O. Racz	Member	SK
R. Sierra Amor	Member	MX
S. Stankovic	Member	SR
D. Syed	Member	US
G. Sypniewska	Member	PL
I. Vermes	Member	NL

10.3.1.2. Activity Report

10.3.1.2.1. Publication activity in 2013:

Volume 1/2013 EDUCATION & TRAINING IN LABORATORY MEDICINE IN THE UNITED STATES

Guest Editor: Stacy E. Walz (USA)

EDITORIAL Gábor L. Kovács

A REVIEW OF BACHELOR'S DEGREE MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST EDUCATION AND ENTRY LEVEL PRACTICE IN THE UNITED STATES.

Perry M. Scanlan

POST-BACCALAUREATE LABORATORY SPECIALIST CERTIFICATIONS AND MASTER'S DEGREES IN LABORATORY MEDICINE. Phyllis A. Kirchner, Susan T. Johnson

POSTDOCTORAL PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIPS IN LABORATORY MEDICINE. Joely A. Straseski

AN OVERVIEW OF UNITED STATES PHYSICIAN TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, AND CAREER PATHWAYS IN CLINICAL PATHOLOGY (LABORATORY MEDICINE). Jonathan R. Genzen

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DOCTORATE IN CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE IN THE U.S. Teresa S. Nadde

Volume 2/2013: MANUSCRIPTS ALSO INCLUDING THE REPORTS OF THE IFCC PROFESSIONAL SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGE PROGRAMME
IFCC PROFESSIONAL SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (PSEP) ACTIVITY REPORT. Cristian Layton Tovar

POTENTIAL SCIENTIFIC TRANSLATION PROBLEMS DERIVED FROM "FALSE FRIENDS" OR CULTURAL DIFFERENCES. Xavier Fuentes-Arderiu

CELL CULTURE MODELS AND PHARMACOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE FOR THE STUDY OF BREAST CANCER MARKERS. Cristian Layton Tovar, Hugo Mendieta Zerón

ESTABLISHMENT OF BIOLOGICAL REFERENCE INTERVALS AND REFERENCE CURVE FOR UREA BY EXPLORATORY PARAMETRIC AND NON-PARAMETRIC QUANTILE REGRESSION MODELS. Rajarshi Sarkar

CYSTATIN C IN ACUTE CORONARY SYNDROME. Moushumi Lodh, Ashok Parida, Joy Sanyal, Arunangshu Ganguly

Volume 3/2013: This issue will be a themed issue on diabetes being edited by Trefor Higgins from Canada. Guest article writers have been identified and invited to contribute. The issue is likely to be published at the end of October/beginning November 2013.

THE CORRELATIONS OF HBA1C OTHER THAN GLUCOSE. Ken Sikaris

AUTOANTIBODIES IN DIABETES MELLITUS. Connie Prosser

THE ROLE OF GUIDELINES IN THE MANAGEMENT AND DIAGNOSIS OF
DIABETES. Eric Kilpatrick

THE PHYSICIANS VIEW OF THE DIABETES EPIDEMIC. Peter Senior
HBA1C. Little (USA)

Volume 4/2013. This issue will be a themed issue on personalized healthcare edited by Bruce Jordan from Switzerland. Guest article writers have been identified by the guest editor and invited to contribute. The issue is due to be published in January 2014.

KA suggests to ask for an article to Mike Hallworth.

Action: BJ to contact Mike Hallworth.

Next year already agreed on issues:

- 1) POCT (EJ)
- 2) Men's health (Diamandis)

Other themes to complete the year:

- 1) Mental health – neurodegenerative diseases (proceedings of the conference – Sergio Bernardini could be the guest editor)
- 2) Geriatric Clinical Chemistry
- 3) Pediatric Clinical Chemistry (KA himself or someone else to be invited). (opportunity to ask also to the Symposium Pediatrics spokespersons in Istanbul)

10.3.1.2. Future indexing of eJIFCC

A proposal has to be made shortly by the CPD and should be forwarded for approval to the IFCC EB concerning the copyright agreement. The proposal of the editor of eJIFCC is to use the CC-BY form of other open access journals. "Open Access Agreement. Upon submitting an article, authors are asked to indicate their agreement to abide by an open access Creative Commons license (CC-BY). Under the terms of this license, authors retain ownership of the copyright of their articles. However, the license permits any user to download, print out, extract, reuse, archive, and distribute the article, so long as appropriate credit is given to the authors and the source of the work. The license ensures that the article will be available as widely as possible and that the article can be included in any scientific archive." This process might be a prerequisite of the submission of the application to Pubmed Central.

Action: AN to make the eJIFCC indexing a priority

Action: GK to write a short paragraph to complete the eJIFCC presentation on website to inform the reader about the journal itself.

Action: Copyright statement to appear on all the issues (and single articles) for the past. GK to provide the statement.

From Jan 2014 onward the copyright will be dealt with in a structured form.

Three main issues to be covered for the PMC application

- XML files
- Copyright
- Website improvement to increase attractiveness.

Action: GK to continue negotiations with Insoft re PMC requirements.

GK suggests to enlarge the editorial board to enlarge geographical representation (e.g.: include Japan, China and Australia)

AN discovered that JIFCC in print form was indexed by Scopus which may make it easier for indexing eJIFCC,

Action: AN will check re previous indexing of JIFCC on Scopus.

10.3.1.3. Editorial board meeting of eJIFCC

The official meeting of the editorial board was scheduled for the EuroMedLab Congress in Milan. The meeting took place between 8.30-10.30 h on Tuesday, May 21st. Cca. 50 % of the editorial board members were present at the meeting. Current problems and future issues of eJIFCC were discussed in details. Next board meeting is scheduled for the Istanbul IFCC Congress in 2014.

10.3.2. IFCC eNews (WG-IFCC eNews) (TP)

10.3.2.1 Membership

The current members of the eNewsletter working group are:

Xavier Fuentes-Arderiu (Spain),
Damien Gruson (Belgium),
Joseph B. Lopez (Malaysia),
Mabel Charles-Davies (Nigeria),
Spiroula Christou (Cyprus),
Abderrazek Hedhili (Tunisia),
Rosa Sierra Amor (Mexico),
Grazyna Sypniewska (Poland),
Brguljan Meska Pika (Slovenia),
Sylvana Fahel da Fonseca (Brazil).
Layachi Chabraoui (Morocco)
Yadav Binod (Nepal)
Felip Antoja (Spain)
Tu Ha Hoang (Vietnam)
Rajiv Erasmus (South Africa)
Thanh Van Ta (Vietnam)
Ana Piana (Uruguay)

National Societies Liaisons

Ann Gronowski (USA)
Dai Duy Ban (Vietnam)
Snezana Jovicic (Serbia)
Anna-Maria Simundic (Serbia)
Andrew Wooton (UK)
Montserrat Blanes Gonzales (Paraguay)
Nada Majkic-Singh (Serbia)
Sandra Klingberg (Australasia)
Curtis Oleschuk (Canada)

10.3.2.2 Activity Report

We have had one working group meeting, thus far. This took place at Euromedlab Milano on 22 May 2013 and we discussed a number of issues related to those presented in this report including the format and presentation of the Newsletter and nominations for new members for the WG, as well as the new official journal of the IFCC, Clinica Chimica Acta.

This is TP's second meeting as editor of the IFCC eNews since taking office in January 2013 and succeeding Edgard Delvin. I have maintained the rate of bimonthly publication. We are continuing to receive sufficient news items to continue the bimonthly publication frequency. At the time of this meeting in Bali, 5 issues of the newsletter will have appeared. Following a number of discussions within the CPD-EC and the proposal from Insoft, a trial of new format of the newsletter was launched (see later). Previously, in collaboration with Silvia Colli-Lanzi, the news was compiled first as a word document and then converted into PDF before my approval. We have encouraged news from diverse countries and also letters to the editor. We have not received any letters to the editor to highlight specific scientific issues of interest and TP is not sure how to encourage this. Requests are sent out regularly to societies to adhere to the publication deadlines ensuring a steady stream of articles. The reminders go to all eNewsletter WG members, National Societies liaisons and National Representatives (through the IFCC Office). In the five newsletters published this year, an excellent variety of news items has been featured. A regular and popular feature of the newsletter is the IFCC Young Scientists task force and the PEPs reports from awardees. Therefore a major aspect of the newsletter has been to highlight the contribution of the IFCC to international clinical chemistry.

TP has continued to liaise closely with Arda Turac at LabMedica International (LMI) and all the newsletter information is sent to LMI and selected articles are printed from the original newsletter. Several editions of LabMedica International have appeared and the layout has always been excellent. There have also been several editorials by the President of the IFCC, Graham Beastall. These include one on shaping the future of laboratory medicine and another on the new electronic voting system for the IFCC voting processes.

With regard to changing the format of the newsletter, we received a detailed proposal from Insoft and this has been discussed and will be debated in further detail in Bali. In the interim, a trial of a new format was undertaken for the July-August and September-October editions of the newsletter. Essentially, a desktop publishing programme (PagePlus X6) was used to compile the newsletter and this was then converted into a "flipping book" using Flipping Book Publisher Corporate edition. The new version is accessible on mobile devices such as Ipad and Android devices and is also available as a Flash version for Windows. TP's institution recently purchased a licence for this and TP was able to access the software and generate the flipping book versions. Whilst TP believes the new format is attractive and has enhanced the appearance, there are a number of challenges in moving to the new technology. The first issue is that there is a steep learning curve involved. The second issue is that the file sizes are large (20-30 MB) and need to be hosted somewhere and there will be a cost associated with this. At the moment, the files have been hosted on the software publisher's site (as part of the licence fee). Large file sizes will be problematic for countries where there are bandwidth limitations. As there are many developing countries who are members of the IFCC, this is a significant limitation in fully implementing this technology. TP envisages that we continue to offer the traditional HTML and PDF versions for the foreseeable future as some have indicated a preference for the traditional PDF.

Action: PV/SCL to contact Insoft re number of downloads per month for each e publication.
Action: TP to continue discussions with Insoft re e publication software

10.3.4. Ibero-American Nomenclature and Translation (WG-IANT) (MB)

10.3.4.1 Membership

MB term ends in December. Need to elect new Chair.

Action: KA to contact MB re new Chair of WG-IANT

10.3.4.2 Activity Report

Report received from MB.

10.3.4.2.1 RIA Web page

Action: Need to update logo on webpage (remove New).

10.3.4.2.2 Diagnostico in vitro

10.3.4.2.3 Ibero-American Radio

See Hernan's report attached. Budget has been increased to 25K. KA asked BJ if it could be self-supporting through commercial grants? Some support from Roche but BJ not sure why he is having difficulty finding sponsors.

10.6. Publications

10.6.1. Documents of Committees and Working Groups

The database (available on the website) continues to be updated as publications are forthcoming.

10.6.2. Monographs

There have been no new Monographs produced

10.6.3. Books

10.6.3.1 Silver Book

Revision and updating of the "Silver Book": Compendium of Terminology and Nomenclature of Properties in Clinical Laboratory Sciences (IUPAC and IFCC Recommendations) continues and feedback from Robert Flatman (Chair, C-NPU) is that it's very close to release of a draft for public review after years of tweaking by the committee..

10.6.4. Conference proceedings

There is no new conference proceedings published.

10.6.5. Annual report

2013 Annual Report will be produced at end of this year by the IFCC Office.

10.6.6. Handbook

The 2012-2014 version of the Handbook is current and is also available for download from the IFCC website.

10.6.8. Views and Reviews

None to report.

10.6.10. Electronic Publications

IFCC Office continues to seek electronic publications of IFCC documents for inclusion in database.

10.6.20. Other Publications

None to report.

10.8. Related Journals (KA)

10.8.1. Meetings of Editors

10.8.2. Journals

10.8.2.1. Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (CCLM)

Continuing controversy over switch to CCA. We have addressed as much as we can and reasons for change.

10.8.2.2. Clinica Chimica Acta (CCA)

Contract now in place. E-mail has been sent to National Societies (Presidents and Reps) and IFCC Officers. E-mail also to be sent re eAccess for National Society members. Will need an agreement with each society that they will collect names (and money) and pass on to Elsevier. KA feels we need to be careful how we promote CCA to members of National Societies. AN suggested a page and links to relevant journals in the field.

Action: PV/JG to develop a page linking to relevant publications on the website.

10.8.2.3. Labmedica International (LMI)

Discussed in TP's report. Deadlines out of sync with ours.

10.10. Corporate Member Activities (BJ)

- 1) Support PR Brochure Spanish version ==> how many other languages are likely to be needed?

Both brochures need to be updated and should be done at the same time next year to include new EB.

- 2) Developing eJIFCC December edition. Has a number of papers already. BJ had a number of questions for GK which will be answered offline.
- 3) Planning 2014 March F2F meeting CPD in Rotkreuz, Switzerland. BJ gave an overview of the Roche site where meeting is being held. BJ also presented agenda for meeting. In return CPD will provide some feedback as an 'advisory board' to Roche and/or mini symposium.

Action: CPD EC to complete and return Advisory Board agreements.

KA suggested we could meet during the Bergemeyer meeting every two years (Joe Pasarelli).

10.19. Meetings & Symposia (KA)

10.19.1 CPD Symposia

10.19.1.1	Internet and Distance Learning APCCB 2013, Bali, Indonesia	30 Oct 2013
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Slides reviewed at end of meeting.

10.19.1.3	Peer Review and Ethics in Publication
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Istanbul, Turkey (ICCC)

24 Jun 2014

Finalised.

10.19.1.3

Quito, Educator; COLABIOCLI

PROPOSED for 2015

**Value and Impact of Laboratory Medicine in Healthcare:
What is the Evidence?**

We were unsuccessful. Will roll over to Paris, EML, 2015.

Action: Resubmit proposal to EML, Paris organisers.

C-leL is also submitting a joint program with C-DL on the eAcademy.

10.19.2 Future CPD EC Meetings

10.19.2.1

Rotkreuz, Switzerland

19-20 March, 2014

Covered in BJ's report.

10.19.2.2

Istanbul, Turkey (ICCC)

25 Jun 2014

Finalised. Committees and Working Groups also meeting.

10.19.2.3

Adelaide, Australia

October, 2014

October 2014 in Adelaide.

Action: PV to contact organising committee

Potential 2015 Meetings:

Pecs, Hungary, March 2015

Paris, 21-25 June 2015

Quito, Ecuador, October, 2015

10.20. Membership

Members:	Position	Term and Time of Office	
Khosrow Adeli – AD (CA)	Chair	1 st	2013 01 – 2015 12
Edgard Delvin - ED (CA)	Vice Chair/ PR Coordinator	1 st	2013 01 – 2015 12
Peter Vervaart – PV (AU)	Secretary/Publications-Distance Learning Coordinator	1 st	2011 01 – 2013 12
Gabor Kovacs – GK (HU)	Editor, eJIFCC	1 st	2012 01 – 2014 12
Tahir Pillay - TP (ZA)	Editor IFCC News	1 st	2013 01 – 2015 12
Bruce Jordan - BJ (CH)	Corp. Rep.	1 st	2011 01 – 2013 12

10.30. Budget

KA presented budget, explained cut in budget for 2013 and proposed budget for 2014.

10.40. Other Business

10.41 Historian Project

Prof Peter Wilding met with IFCC Office this year and will be going through IFCC archive. He recommended disposing of boxes but SCL would prefer we not dispose of now but dispose of oldest box each year. Bernard suggested that we have a WG under CPD to review the documents and decide if need to be retained or disposed of as well as develop a history of the IFCC and Clinical Chemistry.

Action: KA to send e-mail to GB to set up WG and call for members.

10.42 Slide Template

Discussed various templates. Felt white background with large IFCC logo for title slide and white background with small IFCC logo at bottom and also include orange.

Action: SCL to come up with some options and to have an option of dark background with white text.

10.43 Open Access Agreement

GK provided a document outlining the Agreement.