

Minutes of the 6th NSGE and WGE Board Meeting in Helsinki 6-6 and 6-7 Nautica hall in Marina Congress Centre

1. Congress Venue Amsterdam (selection process ongoing)
2. Financial report:
 - o Budget: estimated 171.000
 - o Estimated sponsoring: NCGE 2019: 95 K€, list of NCGE sponsors to be sent by Päivi. After finalizing the Sponsor Prospect, sponsors will be approached preferably by medical specialists, be careful not to involve the AAGL because of sponsor protest
 - o The profit sharing is again under debate. Jan underlines that the NSGE needs money to operate. Celine offers to transfer some of the first 10 K€ profit on a ICEBERG account in order to have some starting capital. It not decided to abandon the initial deal (first 10 K to local organizing committee, additional profit shared based on participant origin). A large profit is however not expected but should be a future goal of ICEBERG. HBR: what I later realized is that the ICEBERG collaboration because of its larger scale and impact, has more chance to become profitable than the separate societies.
 - o Concept registration fees: lower fee for the trainees, increase fee for the specialists (proposal see below), sponsors have free access for one person. Other persons pay half the registration fee.
 - o How to deal with invited speakers and committee members
3. Committees (local organizing, international scientific and executive scientific)
 - o Request for Scandinavian members; Jan Persson will make a list of members of the advisory scientific committee (at least one representative per Nordic country) and a list of the current Nordic society board members who are ex officio member of the advisory organizing committee. Young colleagues and Martin in the executive scientific board
4. Scientific program outline, topics and working process. To be discussed with Wouter. Topics added to consider: oncology, prophylactic salpingectomy, suggested topics for pregress courses: meet the expert, Hands on training (e.g. Skills Centre Amsterdam), consider adding an educational layer in the program (Robert)
5. Public relation ICEBERG: how to spread the news and take care of as many participants as possible from the Netherlands and the Scandinavian countries. Spread the flyer on several congresses, use social media, email not very effective but mass mails still a valid PR medium, try to get on the Calendar of the ESGE (doubtful because of perceived competition)
6. Schedule of teleconferences and meetings (e.g. Thessaloniki)

7. Any other business: some of the Nordic members do consider the proximity of the dates of ICEBERG and ICELAND NFOG congress a serious threat for both events. During a lunch meeting the next day (7 June) it was decided to stick to the initially set date 2-4 June 2021, hoping that there is a natural separation between the NFOG population and the endoscopy population. Good PR is mandatory.

Specialist Trainees Nurses

Early	450/550	350/200	150
Regular	550/650	450/250	200
Late	650/750	550 300	250

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Hans Brölmann, Chair of the meeting