

Minutes of the joint meeting with Nordic Society of Gynaecological Endoscopy (NSGE) and Dutch Endometriosis Society

Time: Saturday 9th of June, 2018 at 12.30 o'clock

Venue: Room 108, Conference Building of the 5th Nordic Conference on Endometriosis, Odense

Present: Representatives of the board of NSGE: Päivi Härkki, Bjarne Kristersen, Martin Rudnicki;
Representatives of the Dutch Endometriosis Society: Paul van Kesteren, Jacques Maas, Annemiek Nap, Lennie van Hanegem and ER Klinkert; Axel Forman from Denmark and Mats Olovsson from Sweden

1. Welcome and presentation ourselves
2. Co-operation of Dutch and Nordic experts of endometriosis
 - a. Exchange of knowledge between societies
Collaboration of our societies are welcomed.
 - b. Exchange of clinical protocols
We have common international guidelines from NICE, ESHRE and also Sweden and Denmark have their own. No other guidelines are needed at the time.
 - c. Joint endometriosis research
Collaboration on endometriosis research between our societies is encouraged. Possible joint studies could be RCT of endometrioma treatment or surgical treatment of bowel endometriosis (different techniques). Biobanks we also discussed.
 - d. Education/student exchange
This was encouraged but did not have time to discuss properly.
 - e. Endometriosis reference centers in Denmark, how did it happen?
There are two endometriosis referral centers in Denmark, each has about 2.5 million inhabitants in their area. One in Copenhagen and one in Aarhus collaborating with Odense. Establishment of these centers were adjusted by a law. Certification of centers is not easy.
3. 3rd Nordic Congress on Gynaecological Endoscopy 5-8.6.2019, Helsinki, Finland (www.ncge2019.fi)
Programme is planned together with Dutch colleagues.
4. Joint Congress with NSGE and WGE (Dutch Society of Gynaecological Endoscopy) June, 2020 in Copenhagen?
 - a. Time for this joint congress could be in September 2021 because during the year 2020 there will be for example Oslo Winter meeting in March, SEUD (Congress of the Society of Endometriosis and Uterine Disease) in Stockholm in May, WCE (World Congress on Endometriosis) in Singapore.
 - b. The joint congress could be in Amsterdam but organized together with NSGE and WGE.
 - c. We have to establish a board for the congress and both societies will suggest representatives.
 - d. Meeting to discuss this coming congress will be arranged in September or October 2018 in Copenhagen. Proposed dates could be 14th of September or 5th of October.

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Päivi Härkki, President of NSGE and NCGE2019