Dear Members,

Summer holidays are approaching very soon. Before entering this enjoyable time of the year, allow me to give you an update on the most recent news concerning our society.

The ESUR Board met in Vienna on March 2\textsuperscript{nd}, 2006.

Darja Babnik-Peskar (DBP) presented the final report of the ESUR Ljubljana meeting in September 2005. The meeting was very successful in every respect. The Board thanked DBP for producing a very successful meeting.

Cairo Meeting in 2006

Tarek El-Diasty (TED) presented the final programme of the Cairo meeting, September 8-11, 2006 which is available on the ESUR website now. The main topic of the symposium will focus on \textbf{“Imaging of Genitourinary Tumours”}.

Abstract submission was running smoothly through the new ESUR website and over 250 abstracts have been submitted.

The address for registration & accommodation is available on the ESUR website (www.esur-cairo06.com).

Please notice that a reduced registration fee will be granted until June 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2006. Also, do not miss offers on pre- and post-congress tours. Both the scientific and social programmes sound very promising and we look forward to welcoming many of you in Cairo.

ESUR Symposium 2007

\textbf{ESUR 2007} (April 15 – 20, 2005) will be held in Bonita Springs (Hyatt Regency Coconut Point) on the west coast of Florida in conjunction with SGR (Society of Gastrointestinal Radiologists) and SUR (Society of Uroradiology). At the moment, there is quite a buzz of activity concerning programme planning. Richard Cohen, Elaine Caoili and Sam Morcos are in charge of the refresher course programme and new horizons lectures, Mark Lockhart, Jelle Barentsz and I are in charge of the workshop programme.

A letter of invitation by the president of each society (SUR-ESUR) was distributed.
to all members recently, asking for contribution to the workshops. The feedback from our members was abundant and excellent. Information about acceptance of the submitted proposals will be given in due course.

Some additional information regarding the meeting and venue:
Registration fee will be US $ 400, nearest airport to Bonita springs is Ft. Meyers.
An evening reception for all delegates will be on Saturday April 14th, 2007.
Further information on ESUR/SUR 2007, please refer to our website (www.esur.org > Future Meetings > click on SUR logo).

ESUR Symposium 2008
Ullrich and Ulrike Müller-Lisse offered to be the organizers of the ESUR 2008 symposium in Munich, Germany. The main topic suggested by Müller-Lisse was “Imaging of the prostate and lower urinary tract”, a topic which may attract urologists and gynaecologists alike.
The Board thanked Ullrich and Ulrike Müller-Lisse for their excellent engagement and commitment.
However, the planned venue has to be approved at the ESUR General Assembly in Cairo.
The General Assembly will be held at the end of the members’ day.

ESUR Symposium 2009
Georgios Malachias from Greece offered to be the organizer of the ESUR 2009 meeting in Athens subject to the approval of the GA in Cairo. The time of the meeting should be the beginning of September as usual.

ESUR Symposia 2010 and further
ESUR 2010: is provisionally allocated to Bruges, Belgium under the chairmanship of Raymond Oyen subject to the approval of the GA in Cairo. “Image guided therapy” could be the main topic of this meeting. The Symposium 2009 will probably be a combined meeting with the SUR.

ESUR 2011: Boris Brkljacic requested to host the ESUR meeting in Croatia. Again, Croatia has to be approved by the GA.

Further venues for future ESUR meetings could be Oxford (Nigel Cowen), Oslo (Jarl Jacobsen), and Gothenburg (Sweden). These possible venues will be explored by the ESUR board.
ESUR Website

Transfer of the ESUR website from JC Kurdziel and his company EMSA to Vienna has been successfully completed thanks to the efforts of Arnold Stipsits, PA to the ESUR Secretary. Further improvement of the website is under consideration. Proposals and ideas would be highly appreciated and can be forwarded by email to ESURSecretary@ecr.org.

ESUR bylaws

A postal ballot regarding minor changes of the ESUR bylaws was conducted between January 9 and Jan. 31st, 2006. Sixty-five ESUR members have answered the postal ballot. There was unanimous approval of the proposed changes. The amended ESUR bylaws have been distributed by email to all ESUR members recently and also available on the website of the society.

ESUR History

Judith Webb is preparing a report on the history of the ESUR with input from the past presidents, Ludovico Dalla Palma, Henrik Thomsen and the current president Lorenzo Derchi. This report will be available on line at the ESUR website in due course.

ESUR Subcommittees and working groups

Contrast media safety committee:
The new Version 5.0 Contrast Media Guidelines were distributed at the ESUR Member Dinner and at the ESUR booth at the ECR 2006. Additionally, the content of the booklets was electronically distributed to all ESUR members. Please let me know if you have not yet received a copy.

Female pelvic imaging group:
Karen Kinkel has been actively working as the chairman of this group. Standardized protocols on MRI of cervical and endometrial cancer have been presented at the ECR meeting. Some presentations by the group will be made in Cairo.

Paediatric group:
The board is very grateful to Michael Riccabona for his efforts in setting up a group of paediatric uroradiologists to produce guidelines on imaging of the paediatric urinary tract. Some presentations by the group will be made in Cairo.
CT Urography group:
Aart van der Molen and colleagues are working on producing guidelines on how to perform CT urography. This will be presented in Cairo.

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Nominees for Subspecialty Organization:
The board proposed Prof. Anders Magnusson as Chairman of the Subcommittee GU programme at ECR in 2008.

Relationship between ESUR and SUR
The board approved a document prepared by Prof R Cohan the current president of the ESUR formalising the relation between the ESUR and SUR which includes the possibility of organising a combined meeting of the two societies every 4 years alternating between USA and Europe.

Membership update
We have been continuously updating the membership database. At this point, I may remind you to forward any changes in address or email account to the ESUR office: EsurSecretary@ecr.org.

Since ESUR 2005 in Slovenia there have been 19 new members.

Emeritus membership
The ESUR board has approved the request of offering Prof. Van Waes an Emeritus membership of the society. Prof. Van Waes has retired and has been an active member of the ESUR for many years. We wish him a very happy and long retirement.

Many thanks for reading the newsletter.

I am looking forward to seeing you at Cairo in September.
Wishing you all an enjoyable summer.

With kind regards

Prof. Dr. Gertraud Heinz-Peer
ESUR Secretary/Treasurer
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