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ASC Meeting ECM-120

Graz, Austria, April 19, 2015

The ASC meeting was opened at 9.00 a.m. by Frank Richter. The attendance was circulated.

14 out of the 22 ASC members were attending, together with 14 observers (see list below).

The topic IUVSTA Prizes was added to the draft agenda and the agenda approved.

The minutes of ASC meeting in Dubrovnik during ECM-119 have been approved.

M. W. Welch Scholarship and World Transfer Programme:

Due to the discontinuation of the financial support from the Welch family, the M.W. Welch Scholarship had to be suspended for 2013 and following years. How this kind of scholarship can be continued depends on the decision of the Welch family as well as on the financial capabilities of the union. The 10 k€ currently allotted per triennium for the World Transfer Programme is in principle also available for that purpose.

David Ruzic reported that there is still no decision by the Welch family. However, the lawyers of the family have indicated that a decision in favour of IUVSTA is getting less likely because the number of involved family members is very large.

Irrespective of a possible resumption of the financial support from the Welch family, a continuation of the former M.W. Welch Scholarship/World Transfer Programme activities in whatever new form is only possible within the IUVSTA budget for the 2016-2019 triennium, i.e. starting in 2017. This necessitates to make the relevant decisions within the next 12 months.

In the discussion, various suggestions have been made in this respect, including continuation of the former Welch Scholarship but with an increased amount of money (2,000 \$) per month as the Welch trustees had suggested. If the financial support of the Welch family should be definitely finished, the name of the scholarship shall be changed.

An objection was raised against this approach with reference to the fact that nowadays many possibilities exist to get such type of scholarship. This is true, but not for scientists from developing countries. Therefore it was suggested to think about special forms of support which are particularly suited to young colleagues from emerging vacuum societies.

[Remark after the meeting: In Dubrovnik, Lars Montelius as LRPC chairman brought up the idea of replacing the scholarship by a scientific prize ("IUVSTA PhD Price"). He could not attend the ASC meeting and represent his approach there. Nevertheless, this approach represents an important contribution to the current discussion and was again discussed in the Graz LRPC meeting.]

The chairman encouraged the members of the committee to think further about the problem and – if appropriate - to circulate suggestions via e-mail in order to prepare for the discussion during ECM-121 in San Jose.

IUVSTA-Elsevier Student Award:

The support of young participants of the two 2014 conferences (ICTF-16 in Dubrovnik, Croatia and EVC-13 in Aveiro, Portugal) was meanwhile successfully completed. At the ECOSS-2015 website the Award was announced and four applications were obtained. The decisions will be made in due time.

IUVSTA Prizes:

Frank Richter presented the schedule as follows: Distribution of the call for nominations in September, 2015, deadline for submissions in the first half of January, 2016.

Other business:

There was no other business. The chair expressed his thankfulness to the participants and closed the meeting at 9.35 pm.

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