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Minutes of Ethics WG Thursday, May 23rd, 2013; 11.00 – 13.00 Crowne Plaza Hotel, Jerusalem

- 1. Attendance and appologies (Matthys, Siderius, Sauer)
- 2. Minutes from Bruxelles 2012 (accepted)
- 3. Manuscripts in preparation:
 - David informed everybody that the two pending papers:
 Final version of the paper: Determining bone age in asylum seekers (A Nicholson and P Sauer) and Female circumcision paper (P Sauer, D Neubauer) have been sent to EJP (as both have been previously rejected by the editorial board of ADC) and are under consideration for publication
 - Ethical issues on medical records and electronic files (results of the questionnaire)
 It has been decided that David will send once again the questionnaire (maybe during early autumn) in the form of SurveyMonkey to all the members, so that we will get as much as possible answers, as maybe the topic can be of interest in future EAPS Congress in Barcelona 2014
 - Multidisciplinary care in children with rare diseases/ Early
 Childhood Development and Disability (by Liesbeth Siderius) has
 not been received by half of the group, so it could not be discussed for
 final acceptance and presentation to the GA and will be postponed for
 the next meeting in Bruxelles, 2013 (attached once more)

4. New topics:

End-of-life decision making – pediatric intensivists' and nonintensivist pediatricians' views Š. Grosek, M. Oražem, M. Kanic, G. Vidmar, U. Grošelj, Slovenia (PPT presentation by Š Grosek)

This was an excellent presentation by prof. Grosek, from Slovenia and vivid discussion followed the presentation. The decision was made, that Grosek will prepare a questionnaire in English and some more questions which have arosen during the presentation will be added, and then (with a cover letter

from the president) it will be sent to all the National Paediatric Societies, with the aim to be given to persons, most responsible for these ethical questions in the respective country, and returned back to us to produce a kind of:

EU Survey on Different Practices about End-Of-Life Decision-making Processes.

Any other business

As there has been not much interest for the Ethics WG site on the webpage, David has proposed that the papers which have been published until now, should be available on the »open side« of our webpage.

David