

EAP WINTER MEETING 2020

Virtual | 21 & 24 January 2021

General Assembly

Sunday, 24 January 2021

11:15 – 12:15 CET (Brussels)

Online | Zoom



European Academy of Paediatrics

Paediatric Section of U.E.M.S

1. **Welcome** by the President **Adamos Hadjipanayis**
2. **Remarks/Approval of the final agenda** (unanimously approved)
3. **Remarks/Approval of the previous GA minutes** (unanimously approved)
4. **Presentation of the candidate for the post of Presidency**
 - a. Opening of the platform for voting (eBallot)
 - b. The candidate (Adamos Hadjipanayis) briefly introduced himself and his service to the EAP over the course of the last 8 years and expressed his commitment to the EAP and its various sections and to the improvement of Children's Oral Health. The CV and mission statement was previously distributed.
5. **Brief President's Report** by **Adamos Hadjipanayis**

Despite the challenges with the pandemic in 2020, the EAP Executive Committee and Team (Working Group chairs and active members) achieved the following:

 - a. **EAP became a Pan-European Society** after the EAP Statutes were rewritten to meet legal requirements and approved at a special virtual General Assemblies. Basic new elements include the following: All countries (WHO) are now considered full members of the EAP; the EBB UEMS Section of Paediatrics is clearly distinct; but unified with the EAP within the new statutes; yEAP is officially represented in the EC with voting rights; All paediatricians who are members of the EAP national societies, are automatically members of EAP without a membership fee.
 - b. **IPA & EAP** – the relationship has been formalized and IPA's EC decided to officially give one of the two seats of Europe to the European Academy of Paediatrics. The decision was ratified unanimously by the standing committee of IPA. The structure of IPA was briefly explained (available on IPA's web page).

- c. **The Collaboration between ECPCP and EAP** – on 12 January 2021 EAP and ECPCP had a conference and agreed to jointly publish two statements related to Covid-19; to collaborate in future initiatives and to jointly conduct one of the next EAPRASnet studies.
- d. **Relations UNEPSA** – discussions of the unifications of the two societies are underway.
- e. **Meeting with Health Commissioner** - on 10 September 2020 there was a productive meeting with the Commissioner and the EAP. A number of issues were discussed, including Vaccination, AMR, Health Data, funding for paediatric research and promoting breastfeeding and interaction of paediatric associations with providers of nutritional products.
- f. **EAP during Covid-19** – 11 webinars took place during the pandemic. The EAP created a number of blogs and a page dedicated to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- g. **Vaccination Campaign** – there is a campaign to encourage parents to vaccinate their children in the light of the pandemic (during which vaccination rates decreased). The aims are to increase contact between paediatricians and families, to provide better training of health care providers in the community and to raise the profile of EAP as the voice of children and families across Europe.
- h. **Funding Opportunities** - the EAP is involved in 3 European funded projects: CORE MD Horizon 2020 (European Society of Cardiology), IMMUBS CHAFEA (Vienna Vaccine Safety Initiative) and the EU RIVER Horizon 2020. We are also partners/stakeholders in other initiatives.
- i. **Published Manuscripts on behalf of EAP**
The EAP was involved in the publication of over 10 papers in the year. Moreover, the EAP submitted applications for associate editor in Frontiers in Pediatrics on behalf of EAP. The journal accepted all 3 candidates: Zachy Grossman, Adamos Hadjipanayis & Oana Marginean.
- j. **EAPS 2020 (Virtual)** – the congress was supposed to take place in Barcelona. There was a global presence with attendees from more than 80 countries.

	Expected no* Participants	Actual Number of participants	Number Certificates Issued	% Certificates Issued	Number of Evaluations Collected	% Evaluations Collected
EAPS 2020	3,600	2,162	1,374	64%	1,642	76%
EAPS 2018	3,500	3,254	1,649	51%	1,844	57%
EAPS 2016	3,500	2,493	1,238	50%	1,314	53%
EAPS 2014	3,000	3,787	1,743	46%	1,831	48%

The President thanked the scientific chair who represented the EAP, Berthold Koletzko, for his contribution.

The upcoming EAPS congress will take place in Barcelona 2022, with Tom Stiris as Scientific Chair representing the European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP).

- k. The president expressed a word of thank you to Paragon, LOW Europe, the entire Executive Committee, all leaders of Working Groups, National Delegates and EAP Individual members.

6. Brief Treasurer's Report by Arunas Valiulis who briefly discussed the accounts of the EAP:

- a. The EAP/UEMS-SP UEMS account in Bank Paribas Fortis in Brussels
- b. EAP/UEMS-SP EAP account in Bank International of Luxembourg
- c. EAP Programme / Conferences subaccount
- d. EAP Individual membership Account
- e. EAP/UEMS-SP PayPal account was opened in 2020

EAP BIL BALANCE 2020	31/12/2019	31/12/2020
EAP Programme account		
LU850023183234357300	143 542.6	154 132.21
EAP Individual Members account		
LU840023183234367600	167 014.49	166 160.97
EAP PayPal Exams account		
	0	15 420.88
SUBTOTAL	310 557.09	335 714.06
EAP BPF BALANCE 2020		
EAP UEMS activities account		
BE84001673149259	197 042.79	183 829.9
SUBTOTAL	197 042.79	183 829.9
TOTAL	507 599.88	519 543.96

All financial data is displayed on the EAP's website (under the report section).

The budget is still positive and the EAP remained financially stable and healthy. This is partially due to the reduced expenses during the pandemic. Main sources of income: EBP Exam fees, income from the EAPS Congress, sponsorship from Abbot (Educational Grant).

EAP has 41 paid member societies who pay different member fees according to the rules of UEMS.

- f. **The financial report was approved by the General Assembly (97% of participants approved using Zoom polls).**

7. Primary care Council

- a. The president thanked **Peter Altorjai** for his contribution to the Society
- b. Ratification of the newly elected chair: Zachy Grossman – **the General Assembly ratified by the election.**

8. Secondary and Tertiary care Council

- a. During the brief report by the Tertiary Care Council Chair the following points were elaborated on: the online meeting held on 21 January 2021; the approval of the ETR's in Neonatology (ESPR) and Paediatric Endocrinology (ESPE) the discussion on possible improvements of ETR templates; Berthold Koletzko was re-elected as chair of the Secondary-Tertiary Care Council (to be approved by the GA); Pierre Andre Michaud (Adolescent Medicine) and Maria Brenner (Complex Care); the New EU Project called CORE MD and the expansion of the Guideline Application. There was a call for help with the CORE MD project, followed by a brief discussion on the project aims and challenges that led to the incentive. In addition, any support or involvement for delegates in the Guideline App was encouraged.

- b. **Ratification of the newly elected chair: Berthold Koletzko – the General Assembly ratified the election.**

9. YEAP Brief Report by Ivan Bambir

- a. The Young EAP is represented by 23 countries, with 49 representatives from Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Malta, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Ukraine, and the UK.
- b. The chair extended a call for representatives from any unrepresented countries (residents or young specialists).
- c. The Young EAP had 7 monthly Zoom meetings & had a Zoom Spring meeting in June 2020 (the Malta meeting was postponed)
- d. Meeting on Terms of Reference and voting took place in December 2020 (approved by the EC)
- e. Elections took place on January 8th, 2021.
- f. There are several ongoing projects and blogs, including comparison of national training programmes, Burn-out, advocacy, the EBP Exam, Migrant health app guidelines, choosing wisely and the EAP 2021 Congress and MasterCourse
- g. New goals include strengthening the yEAP capacity and getting new members, Increasing visibility & Guidelines repository.

- 10. Virtual Mastercourse and congress 2021. EAPS 2020 Karoly Illy & Ann De Guchtenaere**
Karoly gave a brief report on the Mastercourse with the theme of Vaccination
Over 500 abstracts were submitted and there is a fantastic programme planned.
There was a comment on the representation of Europe in general in the scientific comment

11. Results of the elections for the post of President Ann De Guchtenaere

- a. Elections took place using the closed online voting eBallot system.
- b. Adamos was re-elected as president**
- c. The president extended a word of thank you to the Executive Director, Stefano del Torso, for his support**

12. Any other issue

- a. Artur Mazur addressed the General Assembly and informed the participants of the 3 statements published by the working groups. 2 more statements are planned (eating disorders and e-cigarettes). Furthermore, joint statements on mental health and restrictions around the Covid-19 pandemic will also be published.
- b. The EAP and EBP was thanked and congratulated by the past President, Tom Stiris, for their achievements over the course of the past year.
- c. The EAP Secretariat was thanked their support by Ann de Guchtenaere.

13. Closing of the meeting by President.



Attendance Register EAP General Assembly (chair Adamos Hadjipanayis) on 24 January at 11h15 CET (Brussels)

Timestamp	Name	Surname	Country	Confirmation of Attendance (electronic)
2021/01/24	De Guchtanaere	Ann	Belgium	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Rob	Ross Russell	UK	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Jordi	Anton	Pediatric Rheumatology European Society	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	RUBEL	Francis	France	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Liesbeth	Siderius	The Netherlands	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Corinne	Wyder	Switzerland	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Tom	Stiris	norway	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Lukasz	Debinski	Poland	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Valentina	Ferraro	Italy	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Joana	Rios	Portugal	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Marina	Mamenko	Ukraine	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Mark	Buttigieg	Malta	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Lia	Syridou	Greece	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Aida	Mujkic	Croatia	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Koray	Boduroglu	Turkey	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Mark	Turner	United Kingdom	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Vandenplas	Yvan	belgium	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Mateja	Vintar Spreitzer	Slovenia	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Shenasi	Jusufi	North Macedonia	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Natasa	Toplak	Slovenia	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Artur	Mazur	Polska	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Stefano	DEL TORSO	ITALY	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Peter	Altorjai	Hungary	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Berthold	Koletzko	Sec Tert Care Council	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Peter Hoyer	Hoyer	Deutschland	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Wilhelm	Kaufersch	Austria	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Ivan	Bambir	Croatia, but present as yEAP Chair	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Nebojsa	Kavaric	Montenegro	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Ketil	Stordal	Norway	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Marginean	Oana	Romania	I confirm my attendance
2021/01/24	Isabelle	Keiffer	Luxembourg	I confirm my attendance