



EUROPEAN WRIST ARTHROSCOPY SOCIETY

AGENDA

EWAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday June 07 2022 - 12.00 to 14.00

ROOM 9 Therapists / Platinum Suite 5 – London EXCEL

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7. REPORT FROM EDITOR-IN-CHIEF JWS. (*Toshi Nakamura*)

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8. WEBINAR REPORT (*Eva-Maria Baur*)

9. RELATIONSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT (*Mireia Esplugas*)

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10. ELECTIONS (*Max Haerle*)
DISCHARGE OF THE COUNCIL
FOR NEXT SECRETARY GENERAL: *HENK COERT*
FOR NEXT TREASURER *LORENZO MERLINI*
FOR NEXT PRESIDENT *MIREIA ESPLUGAS*

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11. OTHERS (*Max Haerle*)

12. ELECTIONS (HC)

Chairman of teaching committee:

Marion Burnier (France)

Chairman of scientific committee:
(India)

Abhijeet Waheganonkar

Chairman of IT committee:

Matthew Brown (UK)

13. ISSUE TO BE DISCUSSED (HC)

AAHS

SPONSORS

14. INAUGURATION OF THE NEW PRESIDENT (*Michel Levadoux*)



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NEW BOARD AND EC POST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Chief Editor of JWS:	Toshi Nakamura (Japan)
Chairperson Webinar Committee:	Eva-Maria Baur (Germany)
Chairperson Relationship Committee:	Mireia Esplugas (Spain)
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IT EWAS
Secretary

Jean Francois Pannas
Paola Valerio



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IWAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday June 7th 2022 from 12.30 to 14.00

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South Gallery of ExCel Centre London

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At 12.30 the General Assembly is declared open.

During the meeting up to 50 members joined the meeting.

The Secretary General, Max Haerle, introduces the agenda that has been sent out to all IWAS/EWAS members.

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1. ACCEPTANCE OF 2021 GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES (*Max Haerle*)

When asked all agreed

2. SECRETARY GENERAL REPORT (*Max Haerle*)

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Igor Golubev, who is one of the members of the Course coordinators in Europe, has asked to have a vacancy from his position due to the political situation in Europe. The EC has decided to agree to his proposal and will find a new member. Further political statements of the society evaluated as not foreseen by our bylaws.

Max Haerle explains the IWAS/EWAS issue in detail.

IWAS, just after its foundation, was not any more accepted by the European Institutions as a Partner. After many trials to make them change their mind, we recognized that there was an issue to be dealt with. After long discussions the decision was made to re-found EWAS.

The aim of EWAS (fixed in their bylaws) is to represent European IWAS members in relation with FESSH, EFORT and other European institutions.

EWAS was founded in May 2021. The bylaws and all details have been presented and accepted during GA 2021.



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The respective home page and the Bylaws (in English) are available. (<https://www.e-was.eu/by-laws-view-15-24.html>)

EFORT insisted that the society should have at least 100 members. Therefore, European IWAS members were asked if they would agree to become associated members of EWAS. A mail has been sent out to all European IWAS members and nobody has objected.

The IWAS members were asked in this GA if they would agree that for those members 5 Euros will be transferred from IWAS to EWAS to cover the cost of EWAS.

All other aspects of EWAS as a society excluded their job the link to FESSH and EFORT, are transferred to IWAS. For the time being the two societies are overlapping 98%.

Christophe Mathoulin and Jane Messina expressed their confusion. They did not understand the current situation which, in their opinion, was unpleasant.

The Secretary General MH, the President GB, the Chair of Relationship Committee ME, the chairs of the Teaching Committee HC and JRH have explained the situation, which they felt was and had been discussed many times and was taken after careful deliberation. The decisions have been put to vote democratically and have been accepted after voting.

It was clarified that by the re-foundation of EWAS, nothing will change for IWAS and all international business. IWAS will remain the center of all activities.

Furthermore, we highlighted, that at the beginning of this situation many options were evaluated. The transfer to an international wrist society and similar options were discussed. During the Covid pandemic an extensive live discussion with the members and partners was not possible. Therefore, we opted for re-founding EWAS. Parallel to this, a request to be associated with IFSSH was answered positively via a letter of Marc Garcia recognizing IWAS as an affiliated society.

The proposition was made public to all members. If there are any suggestions for a new society structure, these can be forwarded to the future GS (HC).

IWAS/EWAS general assemblies can be held together as agendas are overlapping besides only two marginal points, which will be treated separately. Furthermore the IWAS members agree that the 5 Euro membership fee of their European members go to EWAS.

ELECTION: Does everyone agree? All agree.



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MH reports about the Storz and their decision to concentrate on their core business and temporarily suspend Sponsoring. The new Sponsor Arthrex and their basic availability to be one of the partners of IWAS is reported and will be more explained in more detail further on.

This argument is very much linked to the offer of AASH in 2022/2023. For 2022 the financial situation was too unclear. For 2023 the Teaching Committee will take over the management.

In September 2022 André Gay has pulled back from his position as Chairman of the IT Committee for personal reasons. We are all very thankful to him and wish him all the best for the future.

Matthew Brown (UK) was asked to take from now on the chair of the IT committee.

3. PRESIDENTIAL REPORT (*Greg Bain*)

The society has reinvented itself with webinars, Eva Maria Baur's work is acknowledged. The Executive Committee's work is also acknowledged.

GB thanks NS and MH for their work in many years for the society.

MH thanks GB in the name of the society for his outstanding Presidentship in these difficult times.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT (*Nicole Schmelzer-Schmied*)

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Mantovani)

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The financial year of US ends at the end of the year due to the regulations in Switzerland for the reaper opened society. The result will be presented in the next general assembly in 2023 in Rimini.

Membership fee is 45€ and 5€ for the European members which will be associated members of EWAS.

The term of the Treasurer ends here. She thanks for the trust given to her by the members of the society.

5. REPORT FROM SECRETARY OFFICE (*Paola Valerio*)

MEMBERSHIP. NEW MEMBERS, SUSPENSIONS, EXCLUSIONS



NEW MEMBERS IWAS

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All is running smoothly as regards memberships, accountancy and JWS.

No issues to be reported.

The term of the Secretary ends here. She thanks for the trust given to her by the members of the society.

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6. TEACHING COMMITTEE REPORT (*Jan Haugstvedt/Henk Coert*) GRANTS

There is not much to say about the 2020-2022 period, there have been some courses around the world but not much. Jan Haugstvedt has contacted course organisers for the 2022 -2023 period.

As regards sponsorships Storz has withdrawn the sponsorship as it used to be, but local sponsorship is always possible.

There has been a negotiation with Arthrex and have come up with a good agreement, which does not imply exclusivity.

2021 Junior Grant winner is Hernan Palacios Del Castillo. He is not present in London 2022 but will be present in Rimini 2023.

7. REPORT FROM EDITOR-IN-CHIEF JWS. (*Toshi Nakamura*)

Toshi Nakamura had prepared an excellent report preregistered.

Unfortunately the registration cannot be displayed but the slides are self-explaining.

The Council and the present members of the general assembly congratulate Toshi and the whole team for excellent work during the year!

8. WEBINAR REPORT (*Eva-Maria Baur*)

All seems to be running smoothly and 2022 data are presented. Webinars started in Covid time with sponsors that supported IWAS. People have been logging in from all over the world, sometimes depending on where speakers are from.

As the webinars were the only way to communicate with our society members in the last two years, the work of Eva Baur has a greatest importance. The Council and the members of the society present congratulate Eva Baur for her excellent work.

9. RELATIONSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT (*Mireia Esplugas*)



FESSH and EFFORT waited until EWAS was re-founded to resume relationships, so a lot of work is still to come. EFFORT is now in a good relationship. Maria and Greg have made programs for FESSH/IFSSH London and EFFORT Lisbon 2023. Under the difficult conditions that was already a good goal to achieve thanks to the work of Greg and Mireia.

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10. VOTING AND ELECTIONS (*Max Haerle*)

1. Minutes of 2021: All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.
2. Election of holding both GA's together IWAS and EWAS, and to accept the shift of the European IWAS members as associated members to EWAS and to shift with them five euro of their membership dues to EWAS.
All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.
3. Election to discharge of the Treasurer Nicole Schmelzer Schmied: Mantovani and Rüttsche have checked the bills, they are ok.
All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.
4. Both councils EWAS and IWAS are discharged:
All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.
5. Election on the next Secretary General: the proposal of the Council is: Henk Coert
All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.
6. Election on the next treasurer: Lorenzo Merlini.
All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.
7. Election on the next IWAS Vice President: Steve Moran
All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.
8. Election on the next EWAS President: Mireia Esplugas All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.

11. FAREWELL

Paola Valerio:

As outgoing general secretary, Max Haerle and thanks Paola Valerio for her work for EWAS and IWAS in the many years. She was serving

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the society with great stability, helping us to perform with all the many small details which nobody pays attention and clearing out many sorrows in front of becoming a burden. Thanks to Paola Valerio for many years working together with us!

Nicole Schmelzer Schmied:

Dr. Schmelzer Schmied has been a member of GEAP. She is a founding member of EWAS and IWAS in St. Gallen.

It was with her help that the relationship to the lawyer, the text and wiser and the bank could be established for both societies.

She served as a Treasurer since then, taking care of all problems related to many issues which often were not easy considering the amount of courses in sponsoring activities. Thanks Nicole Schmelzer Schmied for all the great work in these many years!

The Sec. Gen. Max Haerle thanks the members of the Council and especially those of the Executive Committee for their excellent work in these many years to build up these wonderful societies. Thanks to the society members for the trust given in these years!

12. MORE ELECTIONS

The new Secretary-General Henk Coert takes over.

He thanks the outgoing Secretary-General after stepping down from IWAS and EWAS for the extensive work done in the past years.



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There are some positions to be renominated:

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Chairman of scientific committee: Abhijeet Waheganonkar (India) All members present approve, no abstentions, no votes against.

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13. INAUGURATION OF THE NEW PRESIDENT (*Michel Levadoux*)

Unfortunately, Michel Levadoux cannot be in London due to Covid, he sends in a preregistered presentation.

AT 14.00 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS DECLARED CLOSED.