Minutes of the ESH General Assembly ESH 2019 Congress Venue, MiCo, Yellow Hall 1 Milan, June 23, 2019

MODERATORS

K. Tsioufis, ESH President

E. Agabiti Rosei, ESH Immediate Past President

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1. OPENING OF THE MEETING, PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

The President of the ESH, K. Tsioufis, opened the General Assembly meeting on Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 10.00 am. He welcomed the delegates and thanked them all for their attendance. Around 80 ESH members attended the meeting.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President K. Tsioufis reported on the achievements made during his term as President of ESH. The most important accomplishments and major activities were: the updating of the ESH by-laws, the introduction of online voting, establishing rotation of duties of the Council members, efforts to give global visibility to the Society, the Educational Activities carried out by ESH in Europe, Latin America and China, the publication of the ESC/ESH Hypertension Guidelines in 2018, ESH publications (ESH Manual of Hypertension which

will be published shortly, Consensus documents, Position Papers, Clinical Newsletters), collaboration with National Societies and Research Projects (ESH BP control study, Emergency-Urgency Project, FMD Project), and the publication of the 30 Years of ESH.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

M. Burnier, FESH Treasurer, presented the audited financial situation of the ESH for the financial year at December 31, 2018. He reported that the total ESH assets are slightly lower than in 2017, this is due to the transfer made by ESH to FESH to fund the Foundation's educational activities. ESH's main income is from the Annual Meeting. Accounts are in Euro.

M. Burnier, FESH Treasurer, presented the audited financial situation of the FESH (Foundation of the European Society of Hypertension) for the financial year at December 31, 2018. FESH expenses are mainly for the Hypertension Summer Schools.

4. ELECTION OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS

K. Tsioufis thanked all the Council members for their great support over the last two years. He extended special thanks to E. Lurbe, E. Agabiti Rosei and to R. Kreutz. He also thanked M. Burnier who took over ad interim as Treasurer of ESH after M. Bochud stepped down.

E. Agabiti Rosei proposed the following members to serve on the ESH Scientific Council and asked for formal approval by the General Assembly:

Treasurer: Jorge Polonia (Portugal)

New Council members: G. Grassi (Italy), T. Weber (Austria)

The nominations were unanimously confirmed by the General Assembly.

The following end of first term Council members were re-confirmed for a further second and final four years by the General Assembly:

- T. Kahan (Sweden)
- R. Kreutz (Germany)
- E. Lurbe (Spain)
- B. William (United Kingdom)
- E. Agabiti Rosei reported that the Presidents of the National Societies selected as their new representative by a large majority of votes M. Dorobantu (Romania) as the new Ex-officio Representative of the Presidents of ESH Affiliated Societies. The nomination was confirmed by the General Assembly.

5. ELECTION OF NEW PRESIDENT

E. Agabiti Rosei reported that the ESH Scientific Council had unanimously agreed to nominate R. Kreutz (Germany) as the next ESH President and asked for the formal approval of the General Assembly.

The nomination of the next ESH President, Reinhold Kreutz, was unanimously approved and applauded by the General Assembly.

The new President thanked the General Assembly for electing him saying it was a privilege and an honour and he would continue the excellent work started by his predecessors.

R. Kreutz proposed A. Januszewicz (Poland) as the new ESH Secretary. The nomination was approved by the General Assembly.

6. FAREWELL TO THE DEPARTING ESH COUNCIL MEMBERS

K. Tsioufis and R. Kreutz thanked the below end of term Council members for their dedication and outstanding contribution to the Society, they were presented with a Certificate of Merit:

- E. Agabiti Rosei (Italy)
- D. Clement (Belgium)
- P. Van de Borne (Belgium)

7. ANY FURTHER ISSUES

K. Tsioufis asked if there were any questions or comments. No further issues were brought forward for discussion.

8. CLOSURE

K. Tsioufis thanked the delegates present for their support and congratulated the new President and Council members. He adjourned the meeting.

Athens, October 8.10.2019

Berlin, October 9.10.2019

Konstantinos Tsioufis ESH President

Reinhold Kreutz ESH Secretary