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IPSO Newsletter: March 2019

Dear Friends,

I hope you have had good start for this year.

Please accept my apologies for the delay in sending out this newsletter. We have since January 2019 made changes to our IPSO membership management system and the webpage management. I have wanted to ensure that the system is functioning well before I provide you with updates in this newsletter.

We had a great meeting at the annual Kyoto meeting in November 2018. For those who made it to Kyoto, I am sure you enjoyed the high-quality scientific presentations and the vigorous discussions. We now look forward to the upcoming meeting in Lyon in October 2019, and also other joint meetings that will be announced below.

Yours sincerely,
Chan Hon Chui
Secretary, IPSO

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Our new logo for the IPSO's Lyon Meeting.
Recognize it in all our future communications.

Abstract submission deadline is April 2, 2019

Remember: Only paid-up IPSO members get a discounted rate

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CHANGES IN THE IPSO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

With the completion of the Executive Committee (“EC”) elections and our annual meeting in Kyoto, we are happy to announce the following changes to the Executive Committee:



Jörg Fuchs (Germany) will serve as the President.



Robert Shamberger (USA) will serve as Past-President.



Andrea Hayes-Jordan (USA) has been newly elected as member of the Executive Council.



Chan Hon Chui (Singapore) has been re-elected for a second term as Secretary.



Eiso Hiyama (Japan) has been re-elected for a second term as member of the Executive Council.

Jörg Fuchs took over as President of IPSO from Robert (Bob) Shamberger at the Kyoto Congress. Prior to this, Jörg was in the Executive Committee as Treasurer before he was elected and served as President-elect in 2017. Bob served with distinction as President over the last 2 years and will remain as Past-President this year. We look forward to Jörg’s leadership.

Sabine Sarnacki has stepped down from the Executive Committee after 4 years. During her

term as EC member, she served with distinction as Chair of the Programme Committee. Sabine has kindly agreed to co-chair the Programme Committee with Pablo Lobos in the coming year.

Andrea Hayes-Jordan was elected into the EC for a 2-year term.

Chan Hon Chui was re-elected as Secretary for another 3-year term while Eiso Hiyama was re-elected for a second term as EC member.



Simone Abib has served as co-chair of the Programme Committee over the last 2 years. Her participation and partnership with Sabine Sarnacki was crucial to the success of the scientific programmes of our past meetings. Let us thank both Simone and Sabine for their dedication.

Sajid Qureshi(below) served as our Webmaster from 2015 – 2018. During this time, the IPSO webpage took a leap to transform into a web-based interactive noticeboard for our members. It remains our main mode of communication with our members. We have also added multiple links with other societies. We would like to thank Sajid for the hard work put in to solve web-based issues with the developer.



The IPSO Executive Committee holds monthly or bimonthly online meetings to discuss projects and issues. It remains a challenge to coordinate the best timing for meetings as the EC is made up of members from all over the world in different time zones. We finally met in-person in Kyoto on Nov 15th, 2018.



IPSO EC 2017/18 (From left to right): Chan Hon Chui, Simone Abib (co-chair Programme Comm), Jörg Fuchs, Sabine Sarnacki, Marc Wijnen, Eiso Hiyama, Robert Shamberger, Paul Losty, Pablo Lobos



IPSO'S NEW WEBPAGE ADDRESS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

For many years, IPSO's membership management system was hosted by Kenes Association while the IPSO webpage was hosted by Hites Infomedia. Due to the change in contract terms with Kenes Association, IPSO invited proposals from several companies in 2018. We are happy to announce that Netzwerkbetreuung & Datenbankentwicklung ("Netzwerk"), an Information Technology Company based in Hamburg, Germany, has been appointed to provide a 2-in-1 membership-cum-webpage system within a reasonable budget.

On February 8, 2019, we rolled-out the new system that requires members to login. You can update your profile and renew your membership dues at the same time! For our members' convenience, there is now an option that allows you to pay your dues for 1 year or 2 years or 3 years.

Update your profile on IPSO's new
webpage address!

<https://ipso-online.org/>

Things you need to do when you log-on:

- Request and reset your password
- Login to your IPSO account with your email address & the new password
- Update your personal profile
- Renew your membership
- Explore the new IPSO webpage

**IPSO CONGRESS IN LYON, FRANCE October 23-26, 2019
(& Pre-educational Event Oct 22, 2019)**



The upcoming IPSO congress will once again be held together with SIOp's (Société Internationale d'Oncologie Pédiatrique) annual congress. Take note of the "Keydates" on abstract submission deadline and early-bird registration. Please register for the meeting at the "siop-congress.org" website.

Note: Only members who **paid up** membership dues will be entitled to **members-only discount** at the annual congress.

A. Abstract Submission for Lyon meeting, 2019

Submit your abstracts in the correct ABSTRACT CATEGORY.

If you would like your papers to be presented and discussed at the IPSO congress, make sure you submit your abstracts under "Disciplines, Surgery (IPSO)".

DO NOT submit under "disease orientated" that will end up in other non-IPSO sessions.



B. Programme Highlights Lyon, 2019

Programme Highlights



SURGICAL SKILLS SEMINAR OCT 23, 2019
SURGICAL TECHNIQUES FOR RESECTION OF CERVICO-THORACIC TUMORS
MANAGEMENT OF TRACHEO-BRONCHIAL TUMORS
VENA CAVA/ATRIAL INVOLVEMENT OF ABDOMINAL TUMORS

IPSO SYMPOSIUM OCT 24, 2019
LONG TERM FUNCTIONAL RESULTS AND SEQUELAE AFTER SURGICAL RESECTION OF SOLID TUMORS

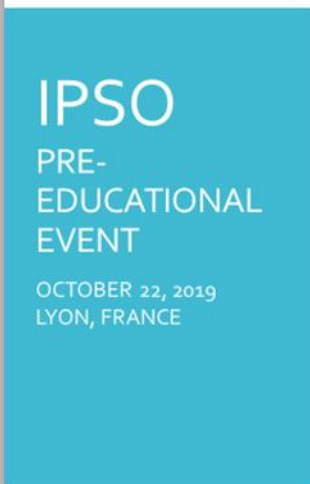
KEYNOTE LECTURE OCT 24, 2019
BRINGING GENOMICS TO THE OPERATING ROOM

IPSO-SIOP-PROS SYMPOSIUM OCT 25, 2019
INTERDISCIPLINARY CONCEPTS IN UNRESECTABLE TUMORS

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC SURGICAL ONCOLOGY




C. Pre-educational Event Oct 22, 2019



Programme Highlights

Core Principles & Operative Strategies in

- *Wilms tumour*
- *Neuroblastoma*
- *Germ cell tumour*



D. IPSO Dinner on Oct 24, 2019

Venue: Restaurant Vatel, Lyon

8 Rue Duhamel, 69002 Lyon, France



JESSE TERNBERG'S IPSO SCHOLARSHIP 2019

Eligibility & benefits

In 2014 the IPSO Executive Committee launched the first IPSO scholarship. This has been named after Jesse Ternberg MD since 2016. It is intended to assist a young surgeon in attending the IPSO annual congress.

The scholarship will include:

- Free registration for the Annual Congress
- Up to €1500 towards travel and accommodation
- A ticket for the annual IPSO Dinner

To be eligible a surgeon must be aged 40 years or younger, must come from a low or low-middle income country (please refer to country classification by income at <https://datahelpdesk.worldbank.org/knowledgebase/articles/906519>), and must have an abstract accepted for oral presentation at the Annual Congress in Lyon, France. The scholarship will be awarded to the eligible applicant who has the highest abstract score. Abstract scoring is entirely blind with regard to the author, so we believe that this will ensure fairness & transparency.

How to apply

We expect that surgeons who are submitting an abstract for the meeting will have the opportunity to register to be considered for the scholarship at the time of abstract submission, and it will be important to send proof of eligibility to the IPSO secretary at the same time to ensure that your application is valid.

IPSO ANNUAL CONGRESS IN KYOTO, JAPAN November 16-18, 2018

IPSO Pre-congress Educational Event on Nov 15, 2018

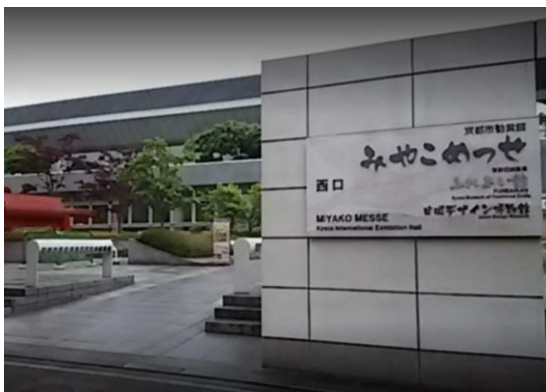
At the Miyakomesse, Kyoto

This year's IPSO pre-congress educational event was a first joint meeting with the Japanese Society of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology ("JSPHO"). IPSO-JSPHO joint pre-congress educational event was held on Nov 15, 2018, at the Miyakomesse in Kyoto where this special symposium held in English.



This event's theme was "Current status and future prospects for clinical trials of rhabdomyosarcoma and non-rhabdomyosarcoma soft tissue sarcoma in Japan, Europe and the United States". The meeting was chaired by Hajime Hosoi MD and Douglas Hawkins MD. About 50 surgeons and/or IPSO members attended this meeting together with more than a hundred JSPHO members. The topics presented included "Clinical trials past, present, and future for rhabdomyosarcoma: the COG perspective" by Douglas Hawkins (USA), "The EpSSG Experience in Rhabdomyosarcoma"

by Gianni Bisogno (Italy), "Non-rhabdomyosarcoma soft tissue sarcomas: the European pediatric soft tissue sarcoma study group protocol" by Andrea Ferrari (Italy), "Results from the first Japanese Rhabdomyosarcoma Group Study (JRS-1) and the strategy for the next treatment protocol (JRS-II)" by Hajime Hosoi (Japan), and "The role of surgery for the treatment strategy of rhabdomyosarcoma" by Yoshiaki Kinoshita (Japan).



IPSO Congress at the Kyoto International Conference Center

This year's IPSO congress was held in conjunction with the 50th anniversary of SIOP. On Nov 16th, our IPSO meeting went on to a flying start with a session on Liver Tumors. Dr Uchida (Japan) spoke on the surgical treatment strategy for advanced hepatoblastoma, and whether resection was favoured or transplantation. Following that, the role of diffusion-weighted MRI in the detection of satellite lesion was discussed by Dr K Sharma (India), usefulness of the navigation surgery using indocyanine green fluorescent imaging by Dr R Souzaki (Japan), and using similar technique with indocyanine green for pulmonary metastases of hepatoblastoma. Dr P Dalligna (Italy) discussed about benign

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tumors of liver while Dr S Abib (Brazil) discussed about extended liver resections or liver transplantation.



The IPSO's Daniel Hays Surgical Skills Seminar showcased (a) Nephron-sparing surgery in Wilms tumor by Jörg Fuchs, (2) New navigational techniques in oncologic resection by Eiso Hiyama, and (3) Management of intra-operative complications of oncological surgery by Marc Wijnen.

The afternoon session started with Neuroblastoma. The topics discussed were very broad including the adequacy of core biopsy in neuroblastoma biopsy (Dr S Hotonu), factors affecting perioperative outcomes in children undergoing neuroblastoma surgery (Dr N Amin), surgical outcomes in patients with high risk neuroblastoma in the European high risk neuroblastoma-1 trial (Dr S Hotonu). Dr Y Chen discussed on the treatment effect of neuroblastoma in neonates and infants. Other topics included minimally invasive surgery, a standardized surgery report for neuroblastoma by SIOPEN, COG and GPOH, postoperative chylous ascites management and how complication rates in neuroblastoma surgery was reduced after centralization of care in the Netherlands.



The day's scientific programme ended with the all-time favourite of Problem Cases Session. During this 100 minutes, multiple challenging cases were presented. A local interdisciplinary panel consisted of Drs H Fuji (radiation oncology), O Miyazaki (radiology), K Watanabe (paediatric oncology), and A Yoneda (paediatric surgery) was available to provide expert advice. The audience in the hall participated actively providing interesting and exciting ideas in patient management. We all learned from each other and we hope that the ideas and solutions may help the patients.

Day 2 of IPSO congress started with the Robert Arceci Best of IPSO session. CH Chui presented his experience in the management of thoracoabdominal neuroblastoma, and L Pio presented his center's multidisciplinary surgical strategy for dumbbell neuroblastoma. G Seitz presented a CWS trial report on the treatment and outcome of patients with thoracic Ewing tumors. While S Qureshi presented his paper on the customized approach for upfront or delayed resection using radiological characteristics in unilateral pediatric renal tumors. Finally, L Pio presented the preliminary results of robot-assisted laparoscopic management of renal tumors in children.



Once again, IPSO oral poster session showcased the best posters submitted. Authors were allowed to make a rapid presentation of their posters in the Congress Hall. Topics presented included basic research, like using the chick embryo as an experimental model to study tumor biology and test cancer therapies for neuroblastoma (P Losty), treatment of abdominal inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor in children (J Hu), perioperative complications after partial hepatectomy for hepatoblastoma (M Cornet), national survey on the management of Wilms tumor (A Elgendy), surgical choice for unilateral thyroid carcinoma in paediatrics (W Yao), and

neuroblastoma – the association of anatomical tumor site, molecular biology and patient outcomes (A Salim).



In the afternoon, the IPSO sessions on Renal Tumors and Germ Cell Tumors were held. Prospective systematic retroperitoneal lymph node sampling for Wilms tumor was evaluated by Dr M Bhagat, our 2018 IPSO scholarship recipient. Dr T Oue discussed the factors responsible to stage III disease in patients with Wilms tumor treated in the JWITS-2 Study. Dr R Chaves Ribeiro presented the new criteria for laparoscopic nephrectomies in pediatric renal tumors. Minimally invasive surgery for Wilms tumor in the SIOPO Umbrella Protocol was discussed by Dr Y Heloury. Dr H Wang presented his experience on plasty and salvage kidney surgery for bilateral Wilms tumor in his institution. Dr P Losty discussed on the need for aggressive surgery in patients

with vena cava disease extension.

In the session on Germ Cell Tumors, the papers presented ranged from testicular germ cell tumors, a national study in Brazil, lesional recurrences and metachronous lesions in ovarian tumors in children in the UK, whether open or minimally invasive surgery was preferred in surgical management of pediatric ovarian tumors, long term outcomes in sacrococcygeal teratoma, testicular non-seminomatous germ cell tumors in the Hacettepe Experience, and a 25 year single centre experience.



Dr Simone Abib gave an excellent Keynote Lecture on the “Critical Role of Surgery in Pediatric Cancer Care”. Dr Abib’s discussion was broad and inclusive. Her lecture accurately reflected on our surgeon’s important role in pediatric cancer care.

The day ended with the IPSO-PROS symposium on organ and fertility preservation. The topics were very thoroughly discussed by Drs Sabine Sarnacki and M Kawamura.

Due to the high number of quality papers submitted, an extra IPSO session on Miscellaneous Topics was scheduled on day 3 of the IPSO programme. Presentations on infections in long term venous access devices, Ewing sarcoma of ribs, Ewing sarcoma of head and neck region, the role of regional intra-arterial chemotherapy in combination with systemic chemotherapy for treatment of advanced pelvic malignant tumors, duodenum-preserving pancreas head resection, an interdisciplinary surgical approach in





specific complex conditions of pediatric solid tumors, and liver transplantation for metastatic GIST in children.

This year's IPSO/PROS/SIOP Symposium was entitled "Multidisciplinary Palliative Care". Three excellent presentations were given by Dr Alessandro Inserra (Palliative surgery: a Surgeon's perspective), Dr Hiroshi Fuji (Management of multidisciplinary palliative Care), and Dr Justin Baker (Integrating Palliative Care into Pediatric Oncology Improves Outcomes).

IPSO Best Papers Awards

Best Oral Presentation Award 2018

Dr Sarah Braungart (UK) was awarded this prize for her oral presentation entitled "Ovarian tumors in children: How common are lesion recurrence(s) and metachronous disease? Results of a nationwide study"

Best Poster Award 2018

Dr Keerthika Sampat (UK) was awarded this prize for her poster entitled "The chick embryo – a new experimental model to study tumour biology and test cancer therapies for neuroblastoma"

Jesse Ternberg's IPSO Scholarship 2018



Dr Monica Bhagat (India) was awarded the Jesse Ternberg's IPSO Scholarship in 2018 when her abstract for oral presentation entitled "Prospective study of systematic retroperitoneal lymph node sampling for Wilms tumors and comparison with random lymph node sampling" was scored highest among those who applied for the scholarship.

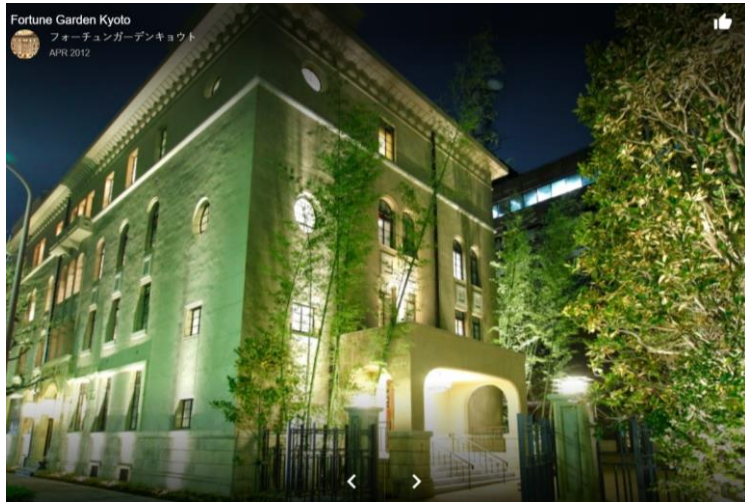
IPSO Dinner 2018 At Fortune Garden Kyoto

November 17, 2018

FORTUNE GARDEN KYOTO (<https://www.fortunegarden.com/en/>)

386-2 Ichinofunairi-cho, Nijo-Sagaru, Kawaramachi-dori, Nakagyo-ku, Kyoto
(More photos in the "Album" section below)

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THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL ORGANIZER

Dr Tatsuro Tajiri



Dr Tatsuro Tajiri (left) was a great host. As soon as he was appointed in Washington DC in 2017, he immediately provided the EC with his masterplan for IPSO. Dr Tajiri was assisted by Dr Shigehisa Fumino (below), an extremely efficient worker in Dr Tajiri's department, who did a splendid remedy when we found out that our IPSO Dinner was over-subscribed. Special rearrangments were made with the restaurant to accommodate our larger capacity so that we could all enjoy the lovely evening at Fortune Garden.



Writing My Reflections

By Dr Monica Bhagat (India)
IPSO Scholar 2018



We all would agree that medical conferences enhance our knowledge. Their value increases when the information disseminated keeps you engaged throughout. IPSO is the essential element of pediatric oncosurgery wherein the surgeons operating on childhood tumors discuss their experiences in the form of research/innovation with the intent to make patient management better with improved outcomes. There is ample to learn from the learned, freedom to discuss with fellows, and opportunities for junior clinicians to participate.

This year Kyoto welcomed us with its completely breath-taking scenic beauty and the Congress had lots to offer. It was amazing to see flags of all participating countries just close to the entrance. During the conference the session covering the surgical aspects was what I found most interesting. Most of the



relevant topics were covered during the congress and the doubts we had back home were discussed. It was a great learning experience and being part of IPSO, 2018.

I would like to mention about the IPSO scholarship as I might not have been able to attend the conference if I did not receive one. Thank you for the strong financial support for the candidates from developing nations.



Notice: Upcoming meetings

WOFAPS-IPSO JOINT MEETING 2019 NOVEMBER 1– 3 2019, DOHA QATAR

[HTTPS://WWW.WOFAPS.
ORG/EVENTS/WOFAPS-
2019-CONGRESS/](https://www.wofaps.org/events/wofaps-2019-congress/)



Pediatric Oncology Symposium November 3, 2019

1. The role of imaging in neuroblastoma surgery
2. Minimally invasive surgery in solid paediatric tumors
3. Reconstructive surgery in combination with Brachytherapy in BPRMS
4. HIPEC in soft tissue sarcoma
5. Management of neonatal tumors
6. Surgical strategies in liver tumor surgery - PHITT protocol
7. Ovarian tumors: surgical challenges and the role of organ preserving surgery

Interactive Workshop, November 4, 2019

- A. Tips and tricks in Wilms tumor surgery
 - a. Management of large tumors via tumor nephrectomy
 - b. Nephron sparing surgery
- B. Movie session about tumor surgery including pre- operative planning of tumor surgery
- C. Chemotherapy treatment options for malignant tumors in low and middle income countries

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IPSO Business Meeting Minutes

Friday 16 November 2018

17.30-18.15

Venue: Annexe Hall 2, at the Kyoto International Conference Center, Kyoto, Japan.

Attendance: 58

1. Minutes from the IPSO Business Meeting in Washington DC on 12 October 2017, that was previously circulated in the March newsletter, was shown and was accepted.
2. President's report.
 - a. Robert reported that due to the change in SIOP's relationship with Kenes Association, Kenes has decided to increase IPSO's membership management fees significantly from January 2019. There is a need to search for a new membership management company, the details of which will be elaborated in Chan Hon's report.
 - b. IPSO Programme Committee has worked with SIOP Scientific Committee to avoid conflicts between the two scientific programmes which proved to be beneficial to both SIOP and IPSO meetings.
 - c. Pediatric Blood & Cancer has agreed to have a supplementary publication for the "Best of IPSO" session so as to provide our membership the ability to publish in a highly-rated journal.
3. Secretary's report (Chan Hon Chui)

- a. IPSO Scholarship 2018. The scholarship has been awarded to Dr Monica Bhagat from India who will be presenting the paper entitled “Prospective study of systematic retroperitoneal lymph node sampling for wilms tumors and comparison with random lymph node sampling” to be held at IPSO Session 5 on Renal Tumors on Nov 17th, at 1330 hours.
- b. Membership report. We have a total of 189 members, that is more than 159 in 2017. 166 are active members, 9 honorary members, 8 retired members and 6 associate members. 134 renewed their membership from last year, more than 128 who did the same in 2017. 39 new members registered compared to 16 last year. Most members come from USA (32), UK (21), and Japan (19). 121 members are between 40-59 years of age. We welcome 39 new members into our society. .
- c. Executive Committee(EC) changes: Sabine Sarnacki will be leaving EC but will remain as Programme co-director. Programme Committee will then be led by Pablo Lobos and Sabine Sarnacki.
- d. Nomination Committee. 4 active members were elected to join the 8 members of the EC to form this year’s Nomination Committee. They were Dan Aronson, Peter Ehrlich, Jed Nuchtern, and Jonathan Karpelowsky. When nomination closed, 7 were nominated for a single position of EC member-at-large. They were Alessandro Inserra, Andrea Hayes-Jordan, Rebecka Meyers, Kate Cross, Theodoros Dionysis, Michele Ilari.
- e. Executive Committee(EC) elections were completed on Nov 8th. The following were elected:
 - a. EC member at-large: Andrea Hayes-Jordan
 - b. Chan Hon Chui: second term as secretary
 - c. Eiso Hiyama: second term as EC member
- f. The incoming Executive Committee: Joerg Fuchs (President), Robert Shamberger (Past-President), Chan Hon Chui (Secretary), Marc Wijnen (Treasurer), Eiso Hiyama, Pablo Lobos, Paul Losty, Andrea Hayes-Jordan.
- g. New membership management and webpage management company. As mentioned earlier, Kenes Association, our current membership management company has informed us of the fee increase of about 100% after imposing a “fixed annual fee of 2500€”. At the same time, Hites Infomedia, our webpage management company also increased its fees. A search for management companies was conducted with 7 requests for proposals sent out. Of the 3 who responded, 2 were asking for very high fees and were not affordable based on our current income. Netzwerkbetreuung & Datenbankentwicklung (based in Germany) was able to combine the website management and membership management into a single project and the fee advised was within our capabilities. Members were informed

to expect a period of transition.

- h. EU's GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) May 25th 2018 and IPSO. Due to the changes in policies and practices to protect the personal data of individuals with whom an organization does business, we will do away with the need for 2 referees when potential new members apply for membership.
- i. Requirement for documentation of incoming Executive Board at ABM. Due to the need for proper documentation of incoming Executive Board at our Annual Business Meeting in order to satisfy the requirements of the Chamber of Commerce in the Netherlands, we will be holding EC elections prior to the Annual Business Meeting as we have done this year.

4. Treasurer's report (Marc Wijnen)

- . Treasurer's report. Our total income was 8861€, expenditure was 7024.46€. Positive balance of 1836.54€. Final balance was 36,086.29€
- . Membership fee increase. IPSO has not increased membership dues for more than 10 years. In view of the fee increases by management companies, EC has decided on an increase in the yearly membership fee from 60€ to 80€ from net financial year 2019. There was no objection raised at the meeting.

5. Programme Committee's report (Sabine Sarnacki). Sabine reported that there were 78 abstracts that were submitted to IPSO and 47 were surgical abstracts that were not submitted to IPSO. 40 retained as oral presentation, 12 were retained for oral poster presentation, 29 posters for exposition, 2 were rejected. All abstracts were scored by the Programme Committee. Our next meeting in Lyon will be from 23 – 26 Oct 2019. An educational day has been scheduled on 22 Oct 2019.

6. Education Committee's report (Guido Seitz). The committee has online meetings held quarterly. This year, there were 3 web-lectures including Thyroid Malignancies, Minimally Invasive Surgery in Paediatric Oncology, and Management of Pulmonary Metastases. The next talk will be on Vascular Tumours of Childhood by Roly Squire in February 2019.

7. Recognition of outgoing EC members . They included

- . Sabine Sarnacki (Programme director)
- . Simone Abib (Programme co-director)
- . Sajid Qureshi (Webmaster)

8. Recognition of Local Arrangements Chair Tatsuro Tajiri and Secretary-General Shigehisa Fumino

9. Invitation to IPSO Lyon 2019 (Frederic Hamuery). Frederic will be the chair of our local organizers for the Lyon meeting 2019. He presented the interesting sites in Lyon and the location of the IPSO dinner. A pre-congress educational day is in the plans. He welcomes all members to Lyon meeting in 2019.

10. Confirmation of new IPSO members (total:39)

Edgar Alzate (Colombia)
Edwin Kin Wai Chan (HK)

Galo Veintemilla/William Murcia
Paul Losty/Sabine Sarnacki

Sarah Braungart (UK)	Paul Losty/Hany Gabra
Lideke van der Steeg (Netherlands)	Marc Wijnen/Kees van de ven
Takaharu Oue (Japan)	Akihiro Yoneda/Robert Shamberger
Takeo Yonekura (Japan)	Tatsuro Tajiri/Eiso Hiyama
Yasushi Fuchimoto (Japan)	Eiso Hiyama/Tatsuro Tajiri
Mitsuyuki Nakata (Japan)	Tatsuro Tajiri/Eiso Hiyama
Kazuya Ise (Japan)	Eiso Hiyama/Tatsuro Tajiri
Hiroomi Okuyama (Japan)	Tatsuro Tajiri/Eiso Hiyama
Hajime Takayasu (Japan)	Tatsuro Tajiri/Eiso Hiyama
Shohei Honda (Japan)	Eiso Hiyama/Tatsuro Tajiri
Sanjeev Vasudevan (USA)	Jed Nuchtern/Jonathan Karpelowsky
Shigeru Ono (Japan)	Eiso Hiyama/Tatsuro Tajiri
Ross Craigie (UK)	Paul Losty/Hany Gabra
Gregory Tiao (USA)	Jonathan Karpelowsky/Rebecca Meyers
Igor Beder (Slovakia)	Piotr Czauderna/Jan Godzinski
Frederic Hameury (France)	Sabine Sarnacki/Helen Martelli
Tianyou Yang (China)	Sandeep Agarwala/Chan Hon Chui
Ryota Souzaki (Japan)	Eiso Hiyama/Tatsuro Tajiri
Paul Farrelly (UK)	Ross Craigie/Hany Gabra
Vladimir Gatzinsky(Sweden)	Anna Borjesson/Kristen Bjornland
Nitin Peters (India)	Bibekanand Jindal/Sajid Qureshi
Takahiro Shimizu(Japan)	Tatsuro Tajiri/Eiso Hiyama
Tiago Henriques Goelho (Portugal)	Jorg Fuchs/ Jan Godzinski
Ram Samujh(India)	Nitin Peters/Bibekanand Jindal
Stefano Giuliani (UK)	Kate Cross/Alessandro Inserra
Sofia Sjostrom(Sweden)	Anna Borjesson/Vladmir Gatzinsky
Chiara Grimaldi(Italy)	Alessandro Crocoli/Alessandro Inserra
Julietta Strambach(Argentina)	Simone Abib/Pablo Lobos
Abdel Hafeez H Abdelhafeez (USA)	Stephen Shochat/Andrew Davidoff
Alexandra Froeba-Pohl (Germany)	Chan Hon Chui/Robert Shamberger
Arovel Moura Junior (Brazil)	Chan Hon Chui/Robert Shamberger
Min-ju Li (China)	Chan Hon Chui/Robert Shamberger
Ampaipan Boonthai (Thailand)	Paul Losty/Sabine Sarnacki
Sani Molagool (Thailand)	Paul Losty/Sabine Sarnacki
Fayza Haider (Bahrain)	Sandeep Agarwala/Sajid Qureshi
Safi Nassan Ali Haj Ali(Saudi Arabia)	Chan Hon Chui/Robert Shamberger
Martin Corbally (Bahrain)	Paul Losty/Chan Hon Chui

11. New Businesses.

- SIOP has a Global Childhood Cancer Initiative. SIOP will need the participation of other specialties like IPSO and PROS, to produce technical packages to be presented to governments in order to fulfill the requirements for effective childhood cancer management. Chan Hon asked for volunteers to represent IPSO when such participation has been requested.

12. Transfer of Presidential Chain of Office. Bob Shamberger handed over the presidency of IPSO to Joerg Fuchs. Joerg gave a citation of Bob's many achievements and thanked him for his excellent services as IPSO President.

13. Adjournment

President's Corner

Dear Colleagues and friends,

We would like to welcome all IPSO members and guests to Lyon, France and we hope you will enjoy our scientific programme and events.

This year's meeting will be our 28th Annual Meeting and an outstanding programme has been organized by our IPSO Programme directors Drs. Pablo Lobos (Argentina) and Sabine Sarnacki (France). Besides urging all our IPSO members to attend the IPSO Programme, we hope you will invite surgical colleagues who may not yet be members to join in our annual event. We would like to thank our local IPSO organizing chair, Dr. Frederic Hameury for all his work and for preparing the Pre-educational Day. The IPSO dinner will be held at the Restaurant Vatel in the evening of October 24th. IPSO members and guests are welcome to register for this dinner through the SIOP registration site.

The main IPSO program will begin in the morning of October 23rd. The **Daniel Hays Surgical Skills Seminar** will focus on several issues: the role of surgery and endoscopy in the management of tracheo-bronchial tumors, surgical techniques for resection of cervico-thoracic tumors, and the management of vena cava/ atrial involvement of abdominal tumors. The **IPSO Keynote Lecture** this year will be given by S. Sarnacki on "Bringing genomics into the operating theatre". On Oct 25th, the **SIOP-IPSO-PROS Symposium** will discuss "Treatment concepts and challenges in unresectable tumors".

We would like to encourage, and welcome all of you to attend our scientific sessions and fully participate in the discussions. We hope everyone will enjoy our scientific programme and also the many wonderful opportunities to explore Lyon, the beautiful countryside of France, and the French hospitality.

In our efforts to reach out to our paediatric surgery colleagues, IPSO will be holding its first joint meeting with WOFAPS in November 2019 in Doha, Qatar. We hope you will come and participate in this joint **WOFAPS-IPSO meeting**.

Jörg Fuchs, Germany / IPSO President

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