

Minutes

Radiology Trainees Forum (RTF) meeting with delegates

Monday, October 17, 2011, 14.30-16.00

Electronic Meeting

<i>PRESENT</i>	
RTF Chairperson	D. Bulja (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
Secretary	A. Šverko Peternac (Croatia)
Research Officer	M. Edjlali-Goujon (France)
<i>RTF National Delegates</i>	
Czech Republic	L. Hrdina
Estonia	K. Roos
Iceland	H. M. Jónsson
Italy	M. P. Belfiore
Latvia	A. Smite
Norway	T. Letting
Poland	K. Kapuscinska
Portugal	J. Campos
Germany	P. Bannas
Russia	E. Bulanova
Slovak Republic	J. Sykora
Slovenia	S. Dobrecović
Spain	A. Amador Gil
<i>ESR Office</i>	
K. Kohl (minutes)	
M. Szucsich	

<i>APOLOGISED</i>	
<i>ESR Officials</i>	
ESR Education Committee Chairperson	É. Breatnach
<i>RTF Board</i>	
RTF Vice-Chairperson	S. Hutchings (United Kingdom)
Public Relations Officer	V. Koen (Netherlands)
<i>ESR Office</i>	
R. Grünkranz	

<i>RTF National Delegates</i>			
Albania	A. Rroji	Ireland	M. Knox
Austria	R. Schernthaner	Lithuania	A. Bajorinaite
Belarus	R. Sakovich	Macedonia, Republic of	P. Janevski
Belgium	T. Couvreur	Malta	R. Grech
Bulgaria	V. Groudeva	Montenegro	D. Raceta Masic
Denmark	L. Nørgaard	Romania	V. Efimov
Finland	M. Jousi	Serbia	P. Avramov
Georgia	A. Baramidze	Sweden	H. Stahlbrandt
Germany	P. Bannas	Switzerland	C. Bieg
Greece	A. Diamantopoulos	Turkey	U. P. Orhan
Hungary	A. Levai	Ukraine	O. Chuvashova

AGENDA

1. Welcome, apologies, approval of agenda
2. Approval of the minutes of last meeting, March 6, 2011
3. Activity Report from the ESR Education Committee (É. Breatnach)
 - a. European Diploma Subcommittee
 - b. Editorial on Revised Training Curricula/Diploma
 - c. Update on Curricula (EANM, EFOMP)
 - d. Working Group on Undergraduate Teaching
 - RTF to review the White Paper on undergraduate education and consider to submit more formal contribution on the role of trainees
4. Activity Report on ESOR activities (M. Szczerbo-Trojanowska)
5. Update on the activities of the RTF Board (D. Bulja)
 - a. RTF Survey
 - b. Follow up on working plans of RTF delegates
 - Feedback on the promotion of the RTF Promo Kit at national meetings, in departments and/or during courses
 - Update on planned future activities and potential involvement of delegates in future RTF activities
 - Discussion on establishment of possible uniform points in future RTF National Delegates plans
 - c. Update on planned future activities and the delegates' potential involvement in future RTF activities
6. Update on Rising Stars Programme for ECR 2012 (R. Grünkranz)
 - a. Feedback and possible role of national delegates in advertising IITY programme among undergraduates
 - b. Link on the websites of national societies
7. ECR 2012 – Presentation of final topics / speakers for the highlighted lectures (D. Bulja)
8. Miscellaneous
 - a. Update on the co-operation with EIBIR/Euro-BioImaging (M. Edjlali-Goujon)
9. Date of next meeting: ECR 2012

1. Welcome, apologies, approval of agenda

D. Bulja welcomed everyone to the meeting. As there were no further comments, the agenda was approved. The apologies are enlisted above.

2. Approval of the minutes of last meeting (General Assembly), March 6, 2011

The minutes of the last RTF General Assembly were approved unanimously.

3. Activity Report from the ESR Education Committee (É. Breatnach)

- a. *European Diploma Subcommittee*
- b. *Editorial on Revised Training Curricula/Diploma*
- c. *Update on Curricula (EANM, EFOMP)*

As É. Breatnach was unable to attend the meeting due to other commitments this agenda items were skipped.

- d. *Working Group on Undergraduate Teaching*
 - *RTF to review the White Paper on undergraduate education and consider to submit more formal contribution on the role of trainees*

D. Bulja reported that the White Paper on Undergraduate Education had been published in *Insights into Imaging*. The paper had been sent out to the RTF delegates prior to the meeting. Possible means of RTF involvement could include a review of the White Paper and possibly the submission of a more formal contribution on the role of trainees in terms of the assistance and help they provide in undergraduate teaching (radiological anatomy and different imaging modalities, radiation protection). D. Bulja suggested forming a small task group with interested RTF board members and delegates to undertake this endeavour. Furthermore he asked the RTF delegates to forward the document to fellow radiologists involved in the teaching process.

RTF to review the White Paper and consider to submit more formal contribution on the role of trainees

To be considered:
Small task group to be formed to undertake this endeavour

RTF delegates to forward white paper to fellow radiologists

4. Activity Report on ESOR activities (M. Szczerbo-Trojanowska)

First, M. Szczerbo-Trojanowska informed the participants of the registration status of the autumn courses in Europe and asked the RTF for their support in promoting the courses as widely as possible. In addition, she provided a preview on the 2012 ESOR activities, which will include nine GALEN Courses and five ASKLEPIOS Courses in Europe, one Imaging Biomarkers Course, two tutorials, fifteen online courses (ESR Self Assessment jointly organised by the ESR and ESOR), the School of MRI organised by ESMRMB and a European course of Neuroradiology organised by ESNR. Further activities will include scholarships in Europe, scholarships in the USA for Europeans, exchange programmes for fellowships in Europe and Teach-the-teachers programmes.

All course details and further ESOR related information is available at www.myesr.org/esor. M. Szczerbo-Trojanowska reiterated that ESOR provided an extensive and interesting programme people should take advantage of and asked the RTF to continue to promote ESOR as widely as possible. D. Bulja took the opportunity to thank her for her tremendous efforts.

RTF to promote ESOR courses as widely as possible

5. Update on the activities of the RTF Board (D. Bulja)

a. RTF Survey

D. Bulja informed that the next RTF Survey was planned for late autumn 2011. He briefly presented the draft questions to the meeting participants. The survey would consist of three sections: European Diploma, educational resources and undergraduate education. He notified that the survey might possibly be linked to the notifications of acceptance for Invest in the Youth which will be sent out in late autumn as well. Further means of distribution still remain to be discussed.

RTF Board to form task driven group to become proactively involved in case collection for European Diploma; consider involving RTF delegates as well

When going through the draft questions he mentioned the case collection for the European Diploma which had been discussed during the last RTF Board Meeting. He reported that it might be considered to form a task driven group within the RTF Board which would become proactively involved in the case collection for the European Diploma. The RTF national delegates might contribute to this endeavour as well. Further details remain to be discussed with É. Breatnach, Chairman of the European Diploma Subcommittee, and B. Ohr of the ESR Office.

RTF Board to discuss further details with É. Breatnach and B. Ohr

b. Follow up on working plans of RTF delegates

- *Feedback on the promotion of the RTF Promo Kit at national meetings, in departments and/or during courses*
- *Update on planned future activities and potential involvement of delegates in future RTF activities*
- *Discussion on establishment of possible uniform points in future RTF National Delegates plans*

D. Bulja thanked C. Bieg for summarising the working plans of the RTF delegates and presented them briefly. He suggested that those working plans would form the base potential involvement of delegates in future RTF activities. In this regard he mentioned that again this year the RTF delegates should provide the ESR Office with their feedback on the promotion of the RTF Promo Kit in national meetings, in departments and/or during courses. This report should contain a short summary and any questions that might come up in this context. In this regard he made the meeting participants aware of the newly launched ESR blog which could be used for this purpose as well and can be found at <http://blog.myESR.org>.

RTF national delegates to provide feedback on the promotion of the RTF Promo Kit to be sent to the ESR Office

6. Update on Rising Stars Programme for ECR 2012 (R. Grünkranz)

- a. Feedback and possible role of national delegates in advertising IITY programme among undergraduates*
- b. Link on the websites of national societies*

As R. Grünkranz was unable to attend the meeting, K. Kohl from the ESR Office provided a brief update on the Rising Stars Programme for ECR 2012. The Rising Stars Basic Sessions will be held on Friday, March 2, 8:30 - 10:00, Friday, March 2, 10:30-12:00 and Sunday, March 4, 8:30 - 10:00. Three different topics were

foreseen for these sessions, namely neuroradiology, musculoskeletal and cardiac radiology, each with four to five sub-sections. In each case three of the sub-sections will be selected for a session. The final topics will be assigned to the time slots as soon as all speakers are fixed.

In addition the time slots for the student sessions where the best submitted abstracts from the ESR Student Abstract Submission will be presented were announced. The final session will be held on Sunday, March 4 and the four best student presenters will receive a reward by the ESR. Further, four Hands-on workshops will be held during ECR 2012, which can be booked online in the ESR MyUserArea. Altogether, there will be more than twice as many sessions designed particularly for "Rising Stars" as compared to ECR 2011. All further information on the Rising Stars Programme can be found at www.myesr.org/risingstars.

D. Bulja asked the RTF delegates to promote the programme as widely as possible. He notified that there will again be an RTF Booth in the Rising Stars Lounge and that the Meet & Greet sessions with RTF delegates which had been a great success last year would again be held during ECR 2012.

RTF delegates to promote Rising Stars Programme as widely as possible

RTF booth in Rising Stars Lounge to be provided

*RTF Meet and Greet Session to be held during ECR 2012 and to be organised by **ESR Office***

7. ECR 2012 – Presentation of final topics / speakers for the highlighted lectures (D. Bulja)

D. Bulja was happy to announce that the RTF highlighted lectures had been fixed and will take place on Friday, March 2, 14:00-15:30 in Room Q. He briefly presented the speakers and topics which were as follows:

Molecular imaging: principles and potential applications

N. Grenier; Bordeaux/FR

Vascular ultrasound: technique and clinical applications

B. Brkljačić; Zagreb/HR

Chest x-ray in children

S. Ryan; Dublin/IE

The session will be moderated by D. Bulja and M. Edjlali-Goujon.

He particularly thanked É. Breatnach for announcing a speaker and V. Koen for formulating the learning objectives for the lectures. The programme for RTF events at ECR 2012 can be found at www.myesr.org/rtf.

8. Miscellaneous

a. Update on the co-operation with EIBIR/Euro-BioImaging (M. Edjlali-Goujon)

M. Edjlali-Goujon informed that her task as Research Officer in the RTF was to help young radiologists in starting a research degree and mentioned EIBIR/Euro-BioImaging in this regard and notified that thorough presentation on Euro-BioImaging during the next meeting at ECR 2012.

M. Edjlali-Goujon to give a presentation on Euro-BioImaging during RTF GA at ECR 2012

She reported that she had undertaken the administrative part for the RTF to be considered as a stakeholder for Euro-BioImaging and that a collaboration could now be developed. In this regard she specifically referred to the Work Package 13 on training and explained it very briefly. She referred to the possible involvement of RTF in this initiative, notably to study the feasibility of a

*RTF GA at ECR 2012: **RTF delegates to provide information on***

consensus curriculum and its general implementation for a European Master/PhD Degree in biomedical imaging. However, in order to undertake this endeavour information had to be gathered which Master/PhD programmes in biomedical imaging were currently available in Europe. She suggested that this information should be provided by the RTF delegates at the next RTF GA during ECR 2012 where subsequently further means of cooperation could be discussed. All further information on Euro-BioImaging is available at <http://www.eurobioimaging.eu/>.

*Master/PhD programmes
in biomedical imaging*

*Further means of
cooperation with Euro-
BioImaging to be
discussed*

Other topics that were discussed briefly under the agenda item Miscellaneous were among others the eligibility criteria for the European Diploma (www.myesr.org/diploma), the Rising Stars Programme (www.myesr.org/risingstars), the student registration for ECR 2012 and the ESR Student Abstract Submission. All further information is available on the respective websites.

D. Bulja thanked everyone for their participation and annotated that the online meeting which had been conducted for the first time had proved very useful to enhance cooperation within the RTF. He closed the meeting.

9. Date of next meeting: ECR 2012

The next RTF General Assembly will be held during ECR 2012.