

Microcirculation International Liaison Committee

1 Rationale

The Microcirculation International Liaison Committee was founded to coordinate international activities in the area of microcirculation and to ensure that the development, location and timing of World Congresses for Microcirculation reflects the needs and interests of the world-wide Microcirculation research community.

2 Present Membership

Asian-Pacific Community : 3 Representatives

The Americas : 3 Representatives

Europe : 3 Representatives

Immediate Past President of the World Congress

Current President of the World Congress

President of the next World Congress

Total : 12

Additional non-voting members may be invited by the Committee at any time. Voting members may be added only by amendment of the Bylaws as indicated below.

- 2.1 Prior to each World Congress for Microcirculation, the constituent regions (America, Europe, AustralAsia) will appoint or confirm their representatives at the ILC taking into account both the continuity of international strategic development in the area of microcirculation and the adequate renewal of the committee. Owing to the infrequency of meetings, members who are resigning following a Congress should be accompanied by their successor as an observer to the Committee Meeting to aid continuity.
- 2.2 The Chairman-Elect of the International Liaison Committee will be elected from the members of the Committee, excluding immediate past, current and future Presidents of World Congresses, at the occasion of a World Congress when the Chairman is serving for his first World Congress.
- 2.3 His/her tenure as Chairman covers two successive World Congresses and starts at the end of the following World Congress.
- 2.4 Upon stepping down as Chairman, he/she will serve as Past-Chairman until the election of the next Chairman-Elect.
- 2.5 The Chair will maintain a list of current membership on the Committee with their dates of initial appointment and expiration.

3 Remit

- 3.1 The principal remit of the International Liaison Committee is to ensure that decisions in relationship to the timing, location and overall nature of Microcirculation World Congresses reflect the needs and interests of the global Microcirculation Community. Fulfilling that remit will involve:
- (a) Determining the frequency of meetings
 - (b) Confirming the location of meetings between geographical areas
 - (c) Assessing and making decisions on proposals for future meetings
 - (d) Providing general advice on the nature of such meetings
 - (e) Monitoring the progress of development of such meetings to ensure they continue to reflect the interests of the World Microcirculation Community
- 3.2 Discuss issues raised by members of global relevance to the Microcirculation Community to inform national and regional societies of the global view on such issues. Such issues might include publication strategy, initiatives to promote microvascular science, synergies with other scientific organisations, etc.

4 Dissemination Strategy

The deliberations of the committee in minute form, once agreed by members of the committee, will be sent to the Presidents of the national and regional microcirculation societies and a summary posted on the ILC website.

- 5 Amendments to these Bylaws may be made at any time with the approval of at least 2/3 of the voting membership.