

**Meeting of the  
International Liaison Committee  
for Microcirculation  
on occasion of the  
9<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Microcirculation  
including the 26<sup>th</sup> ESM Conference  
Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 14.30 – 16.00, 2010  
*Maison de la Chimie*  
*28 rue Saint-Dominique - 75007 Paris***



Present:

E. Vicaut, *President ESM and 9<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Microcirculation*

R. Xiu, *President 10<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Microcirculation*

B. Jackson, *MCS*

T. Sweeney, *MCS*

J. Frisbee, *MCS*

T. Chan-Ling, *AUM*

M. Suematsu, *JSM*

M. Kajimura, *JSM*

M. Oda, *AUM*

S. Bunnag, *AUM, guest*

E. Bouskela, *guest*

A. Shore, *Treasurer ESM*

A. Koller, *ESM, guest*

U. Pohl, *ESM, guest*

B. Houben, *ESM, guest*

G. Mann, *ESM, guest*

M. oude Egbrink, *ESM, guest*

A. Pries, *Chairman ILCM*

## **Minutes**

Axel Pries opened the meeting at 2:30 in Chimie Maison Paris on 25 September 2010

- 1) He thanked Professor Eric Vicaut, President of the Congress for his excellent work organizing the 9th World Congress of Microcirculation in Paris. This was warmly supported by all members of the ILCM.
- 2) Upon request, the minutes of the previous ILCM meeting in Budapest 2008 and the agenda are approved by the Committee.
- 3) The Committee discussed the bylaws regarding the ILCM, regarding the tenure of the chairperson, and also the tenure of the members. One term should cover two World

Congresses in order to provide the continuity of the Chair. These issues were discussed leading to the suggested changes of the bylaws shown below:

Existing Bylaws

*2.2 The Chairman 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 each World Congress, with the possibility of renewal. The Chair will maintain a list of current membership on the Committee with their dates of initial appointment and expiration.*

*Changes of the Bylaws:*

*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 would cover two successive World Congresses and start at the end of the following World Congress.*

*2.4 Upon stepping down as Chairman, he/she would 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.*

Person	World Congress 2014 (China)	World Congress 2018 (Americas)	World Congress 2022	World Congress 2026	World Congress 2030
Chair Elect	NN (MCS)		NN (AustralAsia)		NN (Europe)
Chair	AR Pries (Europe)	NN (MCS)	NN (MCS)	NN (AustralAsia)	NN (AustralAsia)
Past Chair		AR Pries (Europe)		NN (MCS)	

*These changes of the bylaws were approved via e-mail by the ILCM members in the process of finalizing the Minutes.*

*\*To introduce the new scheme, the first Chairman-Elect of the International Liaison Committee should be elected at the next meeting of the ILCM or via e-mail.*

The members expressed their view that a candidate for the next Chairman-Elect of the committee might be proposed by the American Microcirculatory Society.

5) The International Liaison Committee website should lists the future conferences, such as 2011 Munich, 2013 London, and the next Asian conference, which will be held in 2011 in Bangkok. The ILCM website should be upgraded and used more frequently to disseminate information. It was also suggested to have a calendar on the ILC website where all these international meetings and also to the various societies who have

membership on the ILCM. The Chairmen-Elect or the Past-Chairman should play a central role in these activities.

- 6) The 10th World Congress of Microcirculation will be in Beijing in China, originally planned for 2015. The President of the Congress is going to be Professor RJ Xiu. This decision was again approved by the Committee.

Professor Xiu gave information about the preparation of the world congress in Beijing. She promised a very solid budget, which will be available to organize a large-scale World Congress. The next World Congress in China will also be backed by the Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences. Also, the Asian, European, New-Zealand, Australian Societies are going to be included. Furthermore, she wants to represent traditional Chinese medicine at this World Congress. One possible venue is the Academy of Sciences, and the dates may be September or October.

*After the ILCM meeting:*

*Based on a discussion at the ESM general assembly, it was suggested to move the date for the 10<sup>th</sup> World Congress in Beijing to 2014 (from 2015). This would avoid overlap with the Meetings of the ESM which are now held in odd years. Also a 4 year interval for the World Congresses was considered advantageous. The Chair of ILCM discussed this with the ILCM delegates at the Congress who supported this move which would also put the 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress to the year 2018.*

*These decisions were approved via e-mail by the ILCM members in the process of finalizing the Minutes.*

- 7) An Advisory Board for the 10th World Congress in Beijing was formed, consisting of:

Giovanni Mann, Akos Koller	for Europe
Makoto Suematsu, Masaya Oda, Tailoi Chan-ling	for Australia-Asia
Terry Sweeney, Bill Jackson	for America
Axel Pries	ILCM

This Advisory Board will support the International Programme Committee

- 8) 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Microcirculation in 2018: According to the longstanding rotation scheme, this World Congress should be held in the Americas. The Chairman informed the members of the ILCM that Eliette Bouskela had expressed her interest to place a bid for the 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He had invited her to the ILCM meeting and she presented her first ideas. Alternatively, there had been interest from

Vancouver, Canada to host the 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Microcirculation. It was decided that groups or individuals interested in organizing the World Congress should send an initial bid in written form to the ILCM: this bid should contain information on the planned location and possible venues, the initiative group, local support and local conditions (prices, travel). The bids would be discussed at the MCS meeting next April in Washington USA, during the EB conference and then decided upon 2011 in Munich at the occasion of the ESM conference.

9) It was suggested that the International Liaison Committee should have 1 or 2 newsletters / web events per year for its members, the member societies and the interested public at large. This could contain, e.g., information on international events, research activities or funding mechanism (especially for young researchers), high profile scientific findings or publications, new technologies, etc. Here, the input of all societies, ILCM delegates and interested colleagues is a prerequisite. As potential vehicle for advertising microcirculation the so called “Faculty of the 1000” was mentioned. This will be followed up by Giovanni Mann.

11) Next, the Bangkok Asian Microcirculatory Meeting 2011 was introduced.

12) It was discussed that the ILCM has no budget of its own. For the current activities of the ILCM, this situation was considered adequate.

Being no other business, the Chairman of the ILCM, Axel Pries, thanked all delegates for their support and adjourned the meeting of the ILCM at the occasion of the 11<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Microcirculation, Paris.

**A. Koller & A.R. Pries**

**October 2010**