



ESC General Assembly

25 April 2024, 19.00-21.00

Online meeting

Agenda

Welcome by the Chair

1. Election of a moderator and a voting committee of at least two members proposed by the Board and election of a reporter to take minutes.
2. Presentation of the activities and results (annual report) including the annual accounts of the last fiscal year
3. Approval of the Performance of the Board of Management
4. Approval of the Annual Accounts
5. Presentation of the new budget for the rest of 2024 and 2025.
6. Proposal on future projects by the Board and by the Members.
7. Approval of the Annual Budget as prepared by the Board for the rest of 24 and the upcoming fiscal year
8. Incoming proposals from the members (or the Board)
Proposals from the Board:

The Board proposes to amend 2 articles in the Articles of Association: No 19 and if agreed, no 11.

Present Article 19.1:

Category 1: Non paying supporting members who want to join the ESC as an individual. (They are welcome to donate and/or do voluntary work.)

Category 2: Organisations with up to 75 paid memberships and volunteer groups with no membership fees.

Category 3: Organisations representing above 75 up to 250 paid memberships.

Category 4: Organisations representing above 250 up to 1000 paid memberships.

Category 5: Organisations representing above 1000 paid memberships.

Change to:

Article 19.1

Category 1: Non-paying supporting members, who want to join the ESC as an individual and non-paying volunteer groups. (They are welcome to donate and/or do voluntary work.)

Category 2: Paying organisations representing paid memberships

Article 11.1

All member organisations have the right to vote. Each organisation has 1 (one) vote regardless of size. Individual members have no voting rights.

Change to:

Article 11.1

All paying member organisations have the right to vote. Each organisation has 1 (one) vote regardless of size. Individual members and groups who pay no fees have no voting rights.

9. Election of new members to the Board of Management

In agreement with Article 13.2 Charlotte and Giorgio step down.

Giorgio is a candidate for re-election.

Charlotte is not up for re-election.

10. Election of deputies: A minimum of 2 are elected.

Elisabeth and Judith are candidates for re-election.

11. Election of a financial audit committee of two members

Guy is willing to be re-elected

Bettina wants to step down, so we need another candidate.

12. Miscellaneous

Report

Welcome by the Chair

The Chair, Rob van der Boom, opened the meeting and welcomed everybody.

The following organisations were present:

EHS-Foreningen DK, May Day DK, StichtingEHS NL, Vereniging ElektroHyperSensitiviteit, Vlaanderen, FELO NO, Folkets Strålevern NO, EQSDS ES, Lieu de vie pour EHS BE, diagnose:funk DE, Gesund VerNetzs DE, AIE IT, BVMDE DE, Beperk de Straling BE, Coeurs d'EHS FR, Life Resonance CZ, Elöverkänsligas Riksförbund SE, PRIARTEM FR, AZB FR, Elektrosmog a zdravie SL. Electrosensitivity UK joined the meeting later (ca. 20.40)

18 organisations have voting rights.

1) Election of moderator, voting committee

Wolfgang Blüher was proposed as the moderator and was elected. Pernille and Kamil were proposed as voting committee and were elected. Charlotte was proposed and elected as reporter.

2) Presentation of the Annual Report

The Chair presented the annual report about last year's performance. ESC started officially in May 2023 and was soon after registered in Belgium. Then a bank account was set up in Triodos Bank in Belgium, and shortly after a website was up and running. There have been many activities during the year, which were not mentioned in detail. The full annual report including the financial report can be found [here](#).

3) Approval of the Performance of the Board

The annual report was unanimously approved.

4) Approval of the annual accounts

The Chair then presented the annual financial report to the members. There were no questions. It was put to a vote. The annual financial report (accounts) was unanimously approved.

5) Presentation of the new budget

The budgets for 2024 and 2025 were presented by the Chair including the proposal by the Board to keep the annual fee of 1 euro/paying member of the last year. There were no comments or questions.

6) Proposal of future projects

The Chair presented the future main projects and strategies of ESC. They were grouped under the following headlines: a **Top down approach** (contact to legislators to influence law, lobbying, approaching the EU Commission/DGs), a **Bottom up approach** (communicate with the public in Europe to educate them about EMF risks), and **EHS** (recognition of EHS as a handicap through the UN handicap Convention and/or an illness based on a WHO ICD-11 code), **Internal** (building a strong organisation by continuous support of the working groups, increased memberships and increased effectiveness, cooperation with scientists.) See the [full strategy paper here](#).

A question from the assembly: What is the difference between a working group and a team?

Answer: The working group is established and operated by members who do external work. Teams are more directed toward internal activities such as making newsletters, press releases, handling the website.

7) Approval of the budget

The annual budgets for 2024 and 2025 were unanimously approved including the fee of 1 euro/paying member.

Sophie from PRIARTEM told the assembly about what was going on in the working group Law & Politics and pointed to the fact that a European election is coming up, and we should get ready to contact the EP candidates to find out their attitude to the problems of EMFs.

8) The Board proposes to change two articles (no proposals were submitted to the Board)

The secretary presented article 19.1 and explained why the Board proposed a change: Since we don't have these categories of memberships, we might as well delete them. The new Article 19.1 was unanimously approved.

The secretary then presented the new article 11.1 and explained that this is a natural consequence of the amendment of Article 19.1.

The new Article 11.1 was unanimously approved.

9. Election to the Board

This year it is Charlotte and Giorgio who step down. Giorgio is willing to be re-elected

The moderator asked for other candidates to the Board.

The following persons were willing to be candidates:

Guy Lerat (BE), Peter Krabbe (DK). They presented themselves in a few words

There was a secret vote and all three candidates were elected to the Board:

Giorgio Cinciripini, Guy Lerat and Peter Krabbe.

We welcome them to the Board.

10. Election of deputies

Our substitutes from last year, Elisabeth and Judith, are candidates for re-election.

Another candidate was presented: Claudia from Norway, who presented herself. There was a secret vote and all were elected:

Elisabeth Madsen, Judith Gonzales, Claudia Wakim.

We welcome them as substitutes to the Board.

The Board now consists of the following members:

Rob van der Boom (StichtingNL) NL

Pernille Schriver (EHS-foreningen) DK

Kamil Bartošák (Life Resonance z.s) CZ

Giorgio Cinciripini (AIE) IT

Per Segerbäck (Elöverkänsligas Riksförbund) SE

Fina Carpena (EQSDS) ES

Guy Lerat (Lieu de vie pour EHS) BE

Peter Krabbe (EHS-foreningen) DK

Substitutes (deputies)

Elisabeth Madsen (Diagnose:funk) DE

Judith Gonzales (EQSDS) ES

Claudia Wakim (FELO and Folkets Strålevern) NO

11. Election of a financial audit committee

Guy is willing to be re-elected, but Guy was elected to the Board and so cannot have this post as well. The moderator asked for new candidates. Beatrix and Charlotte volunteered and were elected unanimously.

The Financial Audit Committee now consists of

Beatrix Springer (Gesund verNETZt) (DE)

Charlotte Ryø (May Day) DK

12. Miscellaneous

Magali from Coeurs d'EHS asked all to remember the World EHS Day (which Magali has initiated). Celebrate it by doing various things to tell the world about the EHS population. The symbolic colour is yellow. [See more here.](#)

Charlotte thanked the Board and the members for a great year with good cooperation and much learning. Rob thanked Charlotte for her contribution to ESC in the past year.

Closing by the Chair

Rob thanked everybody for attending and ended the meeting

Signed by the Chair, Rob van der Boom

Signed by moderator, Wolfgang Blüher

Signed by reporter, Charlotte Ryø