

## **EUPHA Section on Food and Nutrition**

### **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, held in Glasgow on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2014**

**Present:** Christopher Birt, Enni Mertanen, Natalie Rangelov, Elena Gomes de Matos, Peter von Philipsborn, Maria de Giusti, Dario de Medici, Albert Yeung, Alessandra Lafranconi, Tatjana Buzeti

**Apologies:** Lisa Justesen, Simon Capewell, Bent Mikkelsen, Carl Lachat

#### **Proposed agenda for the meeting:**

1. Minutes of the previous meeting
2. Report on the activities of the section in past year
3. Election of the officers
4. Plan for next year
5. Other matters

**1. Minutes of the last meeting:** all actions minuted have been carried out as agreed. To the report of the section that has been prepared by the President have to be added the Section's activities at the 14th EPHC.

2. Christopher Birt as President gave **an overview of the activities of the section**. Enni Mertanen, as Vice- President, provided further details. A detailed report is to be circulated to Section members.

#### **3. Election of the officers and committee members:**

President: Christopher Birt (UK)

Vice Presidents: Enni Mertanen (Finland) and Natalie Rangelov (Switzerland)

Committee members: Bent Mikkelsen (Denmark), Carl Lachat (Belgium), Helen Bromley (UK), Lisa Justesen (Denmark), Dario de Medici (Italy)

Secretary: Tatjana Buzeti (Slovenia)

#### **4. Plan for next year**

- a. At annual conference in Milan: Enni has been asked by Finnish researchers to organise a pre-conference event.
- b. Simon Capewell and Modi Motswama had expressed expectations for continuation of the discussion at this year's joint section and WHO WS on a possible healthy nutrition convention (there were 46 people at the WS, what should be considered as a good attendance); Natalie proposed to continue the work on a convention on nutrition as well, Chris will ask WHO if they are ready to continue co-operation, what is their agenda and what kind of WS would they be interested in.
- c. A pre-conference on sustainable eating in cooperation with a local health agency from Milan (but it would need to be somehow associated with EUPHA); alternatively, perhaps this event might be considered for inclusion in the main conference

programme; Enni and Alessandra will prepare a draft programme for this pre-conference, and will explore interest with other potential contributors.

- d. The preparatory Committee meeting in March had been very useful, so we should plan another also for next year in Spring.
- e. Dario was asked if he could also propose a WS on food hygiene but doubts were expressed as to whether there are enough Section members interested in this, and it was agreed that we should explore how this topic might be integrated into the future work of the Nutrition Section.
- f. At next year`s Milan welcome reception, healthier snacks than those offered in Glasgow should be provided; a word with the organisers is needed, if possible.

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