

**Minutes of the Executive Council Meeting of the  
International Society on Hypospadias and Intersex Disorders (ISHID)  
held during the First World Congress of ISHID, at Hotel Hilton,  
Istanbul, Turkey**

**November 17, 2005**

As per the agenda circulated by email to all the members of the Society, the EC meeting was held at the scheduled time and place at the hotel Hilton, at 8.30 PM on November 17, 2005.

**The following members of the Executive Council attended the meeting :-**

- 1. Prof. H.S. Asopa, President**
- 2. Dr. Seref Etker, Vice President**
- 3. Prof. W. Snodgrass, Member Executive Council**
- 4. Prof. D.K. Gupta, Secretary-cum-Treasurer, ISHID**

The only other members Prof. Paddy Dewan from Australia could not attend.

**1. Welcome by the President:**

President Prof. H.S. Asopa welcomed the Executive committee members of the Society to the Executive Council meeting and appreciated the efforts made by Dr. Seref Etker to organise the First Congress of Hypospadias and Intersex Disorders in the beautiful venue with the participation of large number of guests and delegates from all over the world. It was a giant task to achieve this in organizing the world congress on the specialized subject.

**2. Minutes of the last meeting:**

Prof. D.K. Gupta, Honorary-Secretary-cum-Treasurer read the minutes of the last meeting held in Delhi in September 2001 and these were approved.

**3. Secretary's Report:**

Dr. D.K. Gupta informed the members about the formation of the Society, its aims and objectives to create awareness on the subject and bring the experts from the world over to come at a common platform and share their experiences. Since its inception in 1999 in New Delhi during the First International Live operative workshop on ISHID, the society has been progressing steadily. The second meeting was held in September 2001 again in New Delhi jointly with the live-operative workshop on Neurogenic Bladder and now the World Congress under the aegis of ISHID in Istanbul 2005.

Experts interested in the field have shown great interest in the Society and have also become members from the world over. Five new members have been added to the existing list since the last meeting. The Secretary thanked Dr. Seref Etker for remaining in constant communication for making scientific program. He also placed on record his deep appreciation for the excellent arrangements made by him in organizing the meeting and extending hospitality to all the guests and delegates, with a personal touch.

#### **4. Society's Accounts:**

The Secretary presented the Society's accounts and informed that the total account stands at Rs.70,500/- with an increase of Rs. 11,000/- only raised from the membership fee. There has not been any withdrawal or expenditure from this account. All communications and postages have been managed by the Secretary at his own end. This was approved.

#### **5. Expansion of the Council:**

The Secretary proposed to the members of the Executive Council to increase the number of Executive members from the present only two to five so as to give wider representation from many countries. This was unanimously agreed and approved.

#### **6. Election of the Society:**

The present term of the Executive Council was to expire and the new Executive Council was to be formed by the members of the Executive Council. Prof. Snodgrass suggested the name of Dr. Seref Etker for the post of President of the Society which was unanimously accepted. Dr. Asopa nominated the name of Dr Snodgrass as the Vice president and Dr. D.K. Gupta was nominated as Secretary-cum-Treasurer. Both were unanimously accepted and approved. Prof Asopa was requested to guide and assist the society as its Past president.

**The members approved the following names for the following members of the Executive Committee:**

- 1. Prof. John Hutson, Melbourne**
- 2. Dr. A.B. Mathur, Norwich, U.K.**
- 3. Dr. A.C. Ammini, New Delhi**
- 4. Dr. Pippi-salle, Toronto Canada**
- 5. Dr. Amin Gohary, Abu Dhabi**

Prof. Asopa thanked the members of the Executive Council for giving him the opportunity to serve the Society as the President. He felt it was truly an honor and an opportunity to interact and learn from the International experts in this field.

#### **6. Venue for the next Congress:**

The Secretary received the proposal from Dr. Marocco from Rome to organize the next World Congress of ISHID in Rome in 2007. The members deliberating on the feasibility and on the basis of the feedback received, it was found that the Centre in Rome has the experience, interest and available infrastructure to host the specialized meet of ISHID. It was unanimously approved subject to the approval by the General Body, keeping in mind if any other offer from any where that might be received from the members in the audience.

#### **7. Promotion of ISHID:**

The Secretary proposed that there is a strong need to promote the aims and objectives of the Society by the internet, media and inter personal exchanges, form new members and also incorporate other organizations who are promoting the cause in this field. Due to the efforts initiated by Dr. Seref Etker, many delegates from this Congress have become members. The Executive Council members felt that a life time membership fee of US\$ 100 should be continued.

#### **8. Website of ISHID:**

Dr. Seref Etker has already developed the website ( [www.ishid.org](http://www.ishid.org), hypospadias-intersex.org) and it is functional also. He was requested to continue maintaining this website, updating the news and views of the Society, with no cost to the ISHID. He agreed to the proposal and the Executive Council thanked for this goodwill gesture.

#### **9. Directory of Members:**

A new directory of ISHID members would be prepared and put on the website.

#### **10. Raising of funds:**

The issue of raising of funds was discussed. Executive Body members were requested to use their good offices to raise the funds of the Society.

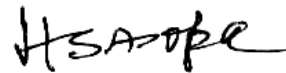
#### **11. Any other matter:**

The Secretary proposed to present a special plaque to Dr. Seref Etker for making excellent arrangements for hosting the First World Congress of ISHID. This was presented to him by the President, secretary and the Executive members and a group photograph was taken. This goodwill gesture was very much appreciated by Dr. Seref Etker in his cool and composed style.

**The meeting ended with Thanks to the Chair.**



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**Hon. Secretary cum Treasurer**



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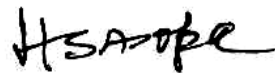
## Minutes of the General Body Meeting held at Hotel Hilton, during the First World Congress on ISHID, on November 18, 2005.

The issues discussed in the EC meeting of the ISHID on November 17, 2005 were placed before the GBM for its approval.

1. The election result of the ISHID was announced. The GBM approved.
2. The venue for the next congress of ISHID was also discussed. There was no other offer received from the audience. Dr Marrocco from Rome made a brief presentation. Rome was chosen as the venue for the next congress unanimously. Dr Marrocco would be the local organizing Chairman of the 2<sup>nd</sup> congress of the ISHID, with the help and support of his colleagues and friends interested in the field from Italy. The EC would communicate and remain in constant touch with the organizers with the developments in this regard.
3. New members were inducted and approved.
4. The members also proposed that the organizers of the Congress should contribute a nominal part of the registration fee ( US \$ 20 per delegate) to the ISHID so as to raise the funds of the society, was approved.
5. Dr Seref Etker was also requested to contribute from the congress budget. He promised to contribute to the society after going through the accounts. He had fallen much short in collecting registration fee as many delegates did not register.
6. The society accounts were presented and approved.
7. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



Prof. D.K.Gupta  
Hon. Secretary cum Treasurer



Prof. H.S Asopa  
President, ISHID

## **Report on Valedictory function held on November 19, 2005 at 5 PM At the Hotel Hilton, Istanbul, Turkey**

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The Executive Committee of the ISHID organized the Valedictory function at Hotel Hilton at the end of the First World Congress held, November 17-19, 2005. President Prof. Asopa, Dr. Seref Etker, Vice President Prof. W.Snodgrass, Executive Committee Member and Prof. D.K. Gupta (secretary cum treasurer) were in Chair.

Dr. D.K. Gupta, Honorary Secretary-cum-Treasurer of ISHID thanked the delegates, guests and the organizers of the First World Congress on Hypospadias and Intersex Disorders. The congress was a grand success in its academic contents, hospitality and organization, all because of the dedicated efforts made by Dr Etker supported by the event managers.

Dr. Gupta appreciated the contributions made by Prof. Asopa, Mr Philip Ransley, Prof. Snodgrass, Prof. Mouriquand, Dr. Pippi Salle, Mr A. Bracka, Prof. Manzoni and Prof. Nicolino. He also narrated the fast growth of the ISHID at the International level just within five years of its existence. During this period two major workshops and the First World Congress had already been organized. The next workshop under the ISHID was due in November 2006 in New Delhi and the 2nd World Congress of ISHID would be held in Rome, Italy in 2007. Though, many new members of the society were made, yet much better response should have been expected.

Dr. Gupta appreciated the great efforts that Dr. Seref Etker had taken to organize this event so successfully. The role of staff from audiovisual, hotel and beverages was appreciated. They had a professional approach throughout the this congress, and the contributions made specially by Mrs. Arican and Mr. Turan from Cnidus were put on record.

Dr. Seref Etker taking over as the President of the ISHID, thanked the Executive Committee, guests, delegates for their overwhelming responses and the words of appreciation for organizing the First World Congress in Istanbul. He also thanked the ISHID Executive Committee to have elected him as the President of this society.

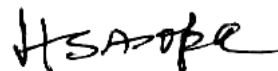
Prof. H S Asopa, now the Immediate Past President of ISHID, thanked the Executive Committee of ISHID, guests and delegates for giving him the opportunity to be the founder President of ISHID and also the special honor and privilege he had received. He, with all humility, conveyed that during this period he learnt more from others than he could contribute. He then presented mementos to Dr. Seref Etker, Dr. Snodgrass and Dr. D.K. Gupta (all members of the Executive Committee of ISHID).

Thanking the Executive Committee and the delegates, Dr Gupta invited them all to join for the Workshop in Delhi in 2006 and the Second World Congress to be held in Rome, in 2007 in large numbers. With these words, the valedictory function came to an end.



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