Bylaws of the ESCMID Study Group for Antimicrobial stewardship (ESGAP)

These Bylaws are written rules of conduct of the Study Group, based on the Statutes of the Study Group and in particular Article 5. They set out the form, manner or procedure in which the Study Group is run.

§ 1 Name
ESCMID Study Group for Antimicrobial stewardship (ESGAP)

§ 2 Purpose of the Study Group
ESGAP promotes education and research activities on the topic of antimicrobial stewardship and aims at sharing knowledge and experiences on its open virtual learning community platform, as well as through newsletters, publications, working groups and collaborative networks.

§ 3 Membership
No additions to what is stated in Article 3 of the Study Group Statutes.

§ 4 Assembly of members
All members of the Study Group shall be entitled to attend the annual meeting of ESGAP Members, which is usually held during ECCMID. The Chair of the Study Group convenes the annual meeting by sending the agenda electronically. The notice period shall be at least three weeks before the date of the meeting. The annual meeting of ESGAP members passes resolutions by a simple majority of the ESGAP members present.

§ 5 Composition of the Executive Committee
The executive power of the Study Group is vested in the Executive Committee, which consists of:
- Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- An Education Officer
- A Science Officer

As stated in article 4 of the Statutes, no more than one elected member of the Executive Committee shall come from the same country.

§ 6 Meetings of the Executive Committee
Regular meetings are held at least quarterly. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or a majority of the Executive Committee members.

The Executive Committee passes resolutions with the simple majority of its members present; the Chair has the casting vote. The quorum consists of three voting members.

A secret voting procedure may be decided by the Chair or requested by one of the voting members.

To facilitate continuity of the study group’s activities, the Executive Committee may invite the previous Chair and previous Secretary to participate in meetings as additional, non-voting guests.

§ 7 Vacancies in the Executive Committee
A member of the Executive Committee may vacate the position by resignation or termination of ESCMID membership. Any vacancy occurring in the Committee will be filled at the next
scheduled election. If the vacancy cannot be filled with the interim appointment of another member, the Executive Committee may initiate new elections for a new member, to cover the remaining period of the term.

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