Bylaws of the ESCMID Study Group for Mycobacterial infections

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 Mycobacterial infections (ESGMYC)

§ 2 Purpose of the Study Group
Objectives of ESGMYC are to improve the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of infection due to mycobacteria, including tuberculosis, leprosy and infections due to non-tuberculous mycobacteria. This will be achieved by promoting and supporting research, education, training, and good medical and microbiological practice. In the mission to achieve these objectives, physicians from Eastern and South-Eastern Europe are especially encouraged to apply for the membership in the SG.

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

§ 4 Assembly of members
All members of the Society shall be entitled to attend the Assembly of Members, which is usually held during ECCMID. The chair of the Study Group convenes the Assembly of Members by sending electronically the Agenda. The notice period shall be at least six weeks from the day following the dispatch of convocation. Assembly of members can be held online, except for the annual assembly at ECCMID. The Assembly of Members pass resolutions by a simple majority of the 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
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Science officer
- Education 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
The Executive Committee passes resolutions with the simple majority of its members present; the Chair has the casting vote. The quorum consists of four voting members.

A secret voting procedure may be requested by the majority of the voting members.
§ 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 normally 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.

§ 8 Conferences
The Executive Committee decides on the structure and timing of the ESGMYC meetings at the annual ECCMID meeting as well as location and timing of any postgraduate course. The Executive Committee appoints a local organizing team that is in charge of the organisation of the course. The local organizing committee is responsible for drafting a budget that needs to be approved by the Executive Committee.

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