Dear fellow academicians,

2011 is the year of joint meetings. For the first time there was an EMN session on neurotrauma within the Joint EANS Annual Meeting and 4th International ICH Conference held in Newcastle, UK, May 5th, 2011 organised by our Vice President Prof. David Mendelow.

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**NEUROTRAUMA – EMN Symposium**

- **8:30 - 9:00** Chair: James Steers & Wolf-Ingo Steudel
- **9:00 - 9:30** Outcome analysis in TBI Trials – Gordon Murray
- **9:30 - 10:15** QOLIBRI – Klaus von Wild
- **10:15 - 10:30** Oral presentations
  - Selected Poster presentations (2 minutes each)

- **10:30 - 11:00** Coffee break, visit exhibition, poster viewing

- **11:00 - 11:20** Neurotrauma (British NT Group Symposium)
  - Chairs: T. Genarelli & R. Firsching

- **11:20 - 11:40** Models of Head Injury (Including Blast Injury) – Thomas Generalli

- **11:40 - 12:00** Changing Patterns of TBI in Germany – Wolf-Ingo Steudel

- **12:00 - 12:45** The IMPACT Studies – Andrew Maas

- **12:45 - 13:00** Oral presentations
  - Selected poster presentations (2 minutes each)

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David Mendelow, Congress President of EANS, invited to the castle of Almwick, where a light aircraft pilot was flying an art
As it is our tradition, we began with our Klaus von Wild Lecture, presented by Neil Brooks, who was introduced by Jean Luc Truelle. The topic was: "Brain injury, Vulnerability and Mental Capacity - Legal, Clinical and Political Aspects".

The session was followed by various lectures on basic research, acute management of TBI and rehabilitation problems.

In addition there was the 16th Annual EMN-meeting and a joint meeting with the Academia Multidisciplinaria Neurotraumatologica (AMN) and the European Brain Injury Society (EBIS) in Newcastle, UK, on May 6th, 2011.
The presidium and members meeting provided the following results concerning the new presidium:

**President**
Wolf-Ingo Steudel, Homburg, Germany.

**Vice President**
Zbigniew Czernicky, Warsaw, Poland
Alexandru Vladimir Ciurea, Bukarest, Romania,
(in addition to David Mendelow and Jacques de Reuck)

**General secretary**
Stefan Florian, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

**Secretary (registrar)**
Ulrich Kunz, Ulm, Germany

**Treasurer**
Jürgen Meixensberger, Leipzig, Germany

**Vice Treasurer**
Santiago Lubillo, Spain

**Webmaster**
Stefan Florian, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

**Scientific committee**
Robert Riener (Chairman), Zurich, Switzerland

The Scientific Committee should enclose members with special interests and competence as Vice Chairs and the former Congress Presidents as natural members.

*15th Congress President Antalya: Tanju Ucar, Antalya, Turkey*

*14th Congress President Kaunas: Rimantas Vilcinis, Kaunas, Lithuania*

*13th Congress President Heidelberg: Andreas Unterberg, Heidelberg, Germany*

**Vice Chair Neuroregeneration**
Nikolaus Plesnila, Dublin, Ireland

**Vice Chair Clinical Trials**
Barbara Gregson, Newcastle, UK

**Vice Chair Quality management**
Edgar Neugebauer, Köln, Germany

A new committee was created:

**Training committee**
Jean Luc Truelle (Chairman) Paris, France

According to our articles of association the new presidium will be in place in January 1st 2012.

The 17th EMN-Annual Meeting 2012 will be held in Cluj-Napoca, Romania, hosted by Stefan Florian. EMN has received an offer by Alexander Potapov which is agreed and he is ready to organise a major conference in Moscow; EMN and AMN in 2013. Stockholm / Sweden and Ulm / Germany are proposals for 2014.
We welcome as new members
Lina Aimola  University Durham, UK (first young member)
Parameswaran Bhattathiri  University Newcastle, UK
Erich Donauer  Plau am See, Germany
Ekaterina Fufaeva  University Moscow, Russia
David Millar  University Newcastle, UK
Caterina Pistorini  Pavia, Italy
Thomas Rommel  Köln, Germany
Andreas Seekamp  University Kiel, Germany
Zhanna Semenova  University Moscow, Russia
Karl Ungersböck  St. Pölten, Austria

EMN is starting with a new classification of ordinary and young members. The new younger generation has already been started with Lina Aimola.

Last but not least we will invite you all to our 17th EMN Annual Meeting in Cluj Napoca, Romania on May 17th-19th, 2012.

Best wishes
Wolf-Ingo Steudel  President
Stefan Florian  Congress President