

**Minutes of the 21st International CESH Congress,**

**held at the Faculty of STAPS, University of Strasbourg (France) on 8 December 2017**

**Those present:** Daphné Bolz, Mike Huggins, Evangelos Albanidis, Alejandro de la Viuda Serrano, Denis Jallat, Ying Wushanley, Patrick Clastres, Joachim Rühl, Arnd Krüger, and many other CESH members...

**Apologies for Absence:** Angela Teja

**Welcome by CESH President:** Evangelos Albanidis

I would like to welcome all of you in Strasbourg and to the 21st International CESH Congress. I am obliged to express my gratitude to those who have contributed to the realization of this Congress and in particular the very active member of our society prof. Denis Jallat who is the main responsible for this Congress. As you can see this year our Assembly is better attended than in past years. This certainly is a witness to the vitality of the CESH.

**Nomination of a Recorder:** Christodoulos Faniopoulos

**Approval of the 2016 Leicester congress Minutes:** Passed

**Acceptance of the Agenda:** Agreed

**President's Report:** Evangelos Albanidis

When I took over the presidency of CESH in 2014 I started to study the statutes and the interior regulations and I realized the burden of such a responsibility. I considered that the goals of our society demanded cooperation, consent, convergence of views. For that reason my first aim was to closely cooperate and exchange ideas with the other members of the Directing Council. It is my duty to express my gratitude to Daphné Bolz, Alejandro de la Viuda, and Mike Huggins for their cooperation, their ideas and their advices and their efforts to the success of CESH.

During my presidency, four successful CESH Congresses were held. The first in Edessa in 2014, the second in Florence 2015, the third in Leicester in 2016 and the last and present in Strasbourg. All the Congresses were very well organized, with very well known keynote speakers, had important sessions, cultural and other events enriched their programs, and

above all attracted new researchers and new participants. I feel quite proud since the participants of these congresses had outnumbered those of previous years. The Directing Council assisted the organizers of the Congresses and I am obliged from this position to express my warm thanks to Chistodoulos Faniopoulos, Marcello Marchioni, Martin Polley and James Partner as well as Denis Jallat and Jean Saint Martin who undertook the responsibility and lets admit, the burden of the organization. If my memory is correct in the first two cases the proceedings were published on time.

During my presidency we focused to forward the upgrade of our website. The content of our website was redefined, and all the scanned issues of the Annual of CESH, six issues in total from 2000-2005 were uploaded. Thus, it is easy for any researcher to visit our website and find useful papers. We also tried to enrich the list of Fellows with their Curriculum Vitae.

All these four years we also tried to support the publication of our peer review Scientific Journal 'European Studies in Sports History. I would like to remind you that since 2010 the journal has been published in France with Rouen and Le Havre University Press (PURH). I feel proud that ESSH is recognised by the French assessment body AERES and by the Italian ANVUR. It is my duty to thank the editors in Chief (Arnd Krueger and Daphne Bolz) who have devoted long hours and efforts, and I would also like to thank the Section Editors and the members of the Scientific Committee.

During my service we also tried to create a network of young researchers. Our CESH website could become a platform where we could view the titles of recent and current doctorates. This would allow new scholars to exchange ideas, thoughts and experiences and motivate them during their research procedure. This also allows CESH Congress to offer a Pre-Conference PhD or MSc Workshop, something already done in Strasbourg. Having in mind all the above, we have already sent a letter to the CESH members requesting them to fill the attached table with the relevant data regarding doctorates which have been completed in the last five years (since 2011) or are under edition. Unfortunately we have not received answers from all the members and we haven't completed the list from all European Countries. However, we have compiled a list which is until now uncompleted but it can form the basis for the continuation and completion of the effort.

During this period, we tried to achieve the legal existence of CESH in EU database. Until last year CESH had not had a legal existence and this situation did not help us to apply for a funded European Project. So this year we have already submitted an application as a cooperative body in an Erasmus Plus Project. We also tried to motivate their members to participate in the European exchanges of academic staff through Erasmus plus project.

Dear Fellows, dear Colleagues, dear friends, this is my report for my presidency and at the end I would like to express my gratitude to all of you for your support, for your collaboration for your inspired thoughts and ideas. I wish a creative and successful presidency of Mike Huggins.

## **General Secretary's Report: Daphné Bolz**

### General account:

This year is the final one of the mandate going from 2013 to 2017. For me, this is also the end of eight years as a General Secretary.

Over the years, I made efforts to take special care of the CESH webpage which is the showcase of our society. I tried to be as effective as possible to post and update news and to have an effective communication policy regarding the activities of CESH and of European colleagues. Sometimes, decisions had to be taken on which information to publish. These decisions were taken keeping in mind the European and international dimension of our society, of our members and of their academic interests.

The members of the Directing Council regularly exchanged email about CEHS matters.

In the last years, our community increased the number of its members and I hope colleagues will continue to come and contribute to the activities of CESH. The present congress in Strasbourg is an illustration of the well-being of our society. As Evangelos said, I think we can look back on a very successful period.

### Registration of CESH in the European Commission Database:

This year, I managed to make a step in the official recognition of CESH. Indeed, our society now has an identification number from the European Commission. This PIC is Nr. 915493567.

### CESH congresses:

As a General Secretary and former congress organiser, I was in touch with colleagues who had hosted CESH congresses and advised those interested in hosting CESH congresses in the future.

Next congress will be held in Bordeaux, from 29-31 October 2018. Jean-François Loudcher will make a presentation of the ongoing preparation.

CESH 2019 will be in Lausanne from 12-14 September. Patrick Clastres will tell us about the project.

Congress bidders can download the CESH congress requirements on the CESH webpage.

### **Treasurer's report:** Alejandro de la Viuda Serrano

#### General Account:

The treasurer reported positively on the CESH finances. Auditors can check now easily the CESH account on-line. He argued that CESH is a healthy organisation with a total amount of 8.391,80€ in December 2017 (7.757,46€ during last congress in Leicester).

CESH members have grown up year by year since we changed our payment rules in 2013, until 90 active members in 2017. It is very important how the congress organizing committee gets involved. There is also a growing number of scholars knowing CESH each year, specially from France, UK and Japan. From 3 new members in 2011 until 31 new scholar in 2017.

#### Proposals:

Proposal 1 on Twitter. New Techs help CESH to get known even beyond the academic area and to reach more potential scholars. The Treasurer asked for some help with this. CESH Twitter account: @ceshSportHist

Proposal 2 on retired scholars fees. Retired scholars who actively continue exchanging knowledge to the new generation of scholars highly enrich our congresses. The Treasurer proposes to give them a reduced CESH membership fee. Finally it is approved a new fee for them of 25€.

### **Auditors' Report:** Arnd Krüger and Dilwyn Porter

The accounts were approved by the two auditors. Prof. Krüger said everything was right with the CESH money, transparent and clear.

**Vote on the four reports:** The general Assembly approved the reports.

**New auditors were appointed:** Arnd Krüger and Athinodoros Moschopoulos

### **Positions of President Elect, General Secretary and Treasurer of CESH:**

In the absence of the president of Fellows, Angela Teja, the president of CESH, Evangelos Albanidis announced it.

As CESH Treasurer for the next 4 years, the College of Fellows proposed Denis Jallat.

As CESH General Secretary for the next 4 years, the College of Fellows proposed Alejandro de la Viuda Serrano.

As CESH President Elect for the next 4 years, the College of Fellows proposed Daphné Bolz.

By secret ballot the General Assembly of CESH voted and approved the 3 proposals.

### **New Fellows of CESH:**

In the absence of Angela Teja, it was announced by the president, Evangelos Albanidis. Akisato Suzuki and Gerd Falkner were appointed as new CESH Fellows, numbers 64 and 65. Joachim Rühl said some words about both of them.

### **Report of the ESSH editors:** Daphné Bolz and Arnd Krüger.

#### Issues of ESSH

Because I have been on sick and maternity leave for most of the year 2017, it has been very difficult to work for the journal as much as I wanted to. Volume 9 (2016) was only printed in April. Nevertheless, I sent the copies personally, which resulted much cheaper and more efficient than using the printer's service.

Volume 10 (2017), a special issue on Worker's sport, is nearly finished and will be sent to the publisher in 2018. This issue has ten articles in French, English and German and deals with various aspects of worker's sport in Europe since the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Guest editors are Karen Bretin-Maffiuletti (Dijon) and Fabien Sabatier (Bordeaux).

In parallel, I have been working on Vol. 11 (2018) which will be special issue, this time on Sport and Graphic Novels. Guest editors are Sébastien Laffage-Cosnier and Christian Vivier (Besançon). Eight articles are currently being reviewed.

A few articles have already been accepted for publication in Vol. 12 (2019).

ESSH could be a possible output for the publication of articles that were sent in after the Leicester congress. Martin Polley and I received only eight articles. However, articles published in the journal must respect the journal guidelines and standard.

#### Journal Edition & renewal of boards

The organisation and the work on the journal are terribly time consuming. The accumulation of more or less major problems (guidelines, languages issues, etc.) leads to a huge amount of work for the General Editor and eventually results in delays. Fortunately, this year again, Dil Porter, Arnd Krüger and Mike Huggins have been particularly helpful in solving problems, especially language issues and I express my greatest thanks to them. I have not had the time to look for and find a professional editor to help with the technical preparation of the manuscript, but we intend to pursue the idea of getting external help in the future.

As announced in 2016, we have thought that the time had come to renew the Editorial Board and the Scientific Committee since the current ones came together in 2012. This renewal goes with a reorganisation of tasks in order to better dispatch the editorial work and assure a more effective and quicker handling of articles. The members of the new

committees (in particular those of the Editorial Board) are proposed on the basis of their reputation in the field, their commitment to CESH and according to the needs in terms of language command and geographical representation.

Editorial Board:

Prof. Evangelos Albanidis – University of Thrace (Greece)

Dr. Eleonora Belloni – University of Siena (Italy)

Dr. Daphné Bolz – University of Rouen (France)

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Prof. Arnd Krüger – Georg August University, Göttingen (Germany)

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Prof. Patricia Vertinsky, University of British Columbia, Vancouver (Canada)

Dr. Alejandro de la Viuda-Serrano, Alcalá University, Madrid (Spain)

Prof. Christian Vivier, University of Franche-Comté, Besançon (France)

### **Report on the CESH Congress Proceedings:**

Xavier Pujadas told about Barcelona proceedings. They are working on it and hope to be ready soon in on-line form. Daphné Bolz and Martin Polley has reported that it is possible that the proceedings for Leicester may be in on-line form too, or published in the CESH journal ESSH. About Strasbourg proceedings Denis Jallat says it's going to be tried to publish a special number on a journal with some excellent papers and other publications with the rest, but not sure yet.

### **Subsequent congresses:**

Arnd Krüger informed NISH will not be able to host the CESH 2018 congress in Hannover, mostly because ISHPES 2018 congress will be held in Münster (not much more than 100 miles away) just 3 months before. So Jean-Françoise Loudcher presented his application for the CESH 2018 congress in Bordeaux. Approved unanimously.

Patrick Clastres presented the 2019 CESH congress in Lausanne University, by 12-14 September, sponsored by the Sports Science Institute. The topic will be Youth, Sport and History. Approved unanimously.

**AOB:** None.

### **Positions of President in Office and President of the College of Fellows:**

Mike Huggins will be the new President of CESH for the next 4 years.

He proposed Evangelos Albanidis as the new President of the College of Fellows for the next 2 years. Approved unanimously.

Evangelos Albanidis, the new President of the College of Fellows, chose Joachim Rühl as the Secretary of the College of Fellows for the next 2 years.