

I2C2 Report to the Board 12.04.2014 (Andreas Zuckermann, Med.Univ.Vienna)

1) Inter Society Activities:

I2C2 has cooperated with different societies to discuss potential joined educational efforts for the future. There is a strong interest from other societies to cooperate. I2C2 has implemented official liaisons to the societies

The most advanced efforts are with:

ESOT-ECTAA (Luciano Potena): the new thoracic committee wants to work on a joined session for ESOT 2015 in Brussels. Andreas Zuckermann is ISHLT liaison to ESOT

EACTS is interested to work out consensus statements and guidelines for heart transplantation together with ISHLT. Steve Clark is ISHLT's liaison.

BSS/TTS will have a joined session at the WTC meeting in San Francisco in July 2014. ISHLT's liaison is Lori West

Over the last year three educational activities were organized with significant input of I2C2. A) a joined thoracic session at the 2013 ESOT meeting in Vienna. 2) A joined regional meeting with the Turkish Society of Cardiovascular Surgery in Istanbul. And 3) the Latin American Session at the ISHLT meeting in 2014 in San Diego, organized by Josef Stehlik.

All activities were a success, however better cooperation with the education committee will make the process easier for the future (the ESOT 2013 joined session was not organized according to the new ISHLT policies for education).

All future educational efforts will be organized in close cooperation with the education committee chair, Chris Wigfield.

2) Rules of Engagement

Howie Eisen was leading a writing group of I2C2 that brought forward a document that defines the rules of engagement with other societies and educational efforts. This document will undergo a last round of review before sent to the board for approval. The document will be sent to the board before the July TC.

3) Ambassadors (Steve Clark)

The Ambassador group has increased from 10 to 30 during the last year. A Ambassador Job description document has been written by Steve Clark and is sent to the board for approval. More country/ regional ambassadors will be needed to achieve ISHLT's goal.

4) Regional Focus

I2C2 has initiated a regional focus in a selected region for 1-2 years. In 2014, Latin–America has been chosen. The task will be to get in contact with the centers and members of this region and work on combined efforts for education and advocacy. The ISHLT registry will be a close cooperation partner I this effort.

At the 2014 meeting a new poster category has been initiated: emergent regions. Posters that have not made the final abstract cut will be reviewed and if they describe regional or country or local experience,

5) International travel scholarships

I2C2 wants the board to discuss on international travel grants for members from emergent regions, so they can participate at the meeting. This could be a combined initiative with the grants committee.

6) I2C2 2015 networking event

Lori West has informed I2C2 that some funds (5000\$) were allocated to I2C2 for its initiation, but they were never used. A formal I2C2 networking event to get in contact with international members might be a great way to get people involved with I2C2.

I2C2 asks the board to endorse I2C2 to organize the event at the 2015 ISHLT meeting and fund it with 5000\$

7) ISHLT PR slides

It will be important to promote ISHLT around the globe. Many ISHLT members do lectures and do not have slides to promote ISHLT. I2C2 asks the board to receive a mandate, to build a draft slide set that will be forwarded to the board for a final approval. The slide set should then be downloadable like the registry slides.

8) China Issue (Lori West)

After some hopeful events it became clear that the Issue on China's policy to use organs from executed prisoners for transplantation has not been changed.

I2C2 asks the board to

- a) review their 2007 statement in Ethics and update it
- b) install an official policy for the JHLTX to ban manuscripts from Centers that use organs from executed prisoners.
- c) Install a policy for the registry to ban data from Centers that use organs from executed prisoners.
- d) Install a policy that membership to ISHLT is only possible if the applicant signs that he was not, is not and will not participate in transplantation with organs from executed prisoners.

I2C2 recommends Jay Lavee as ex officio counselor to the board for the China problem and potential action taken

9) Conference Calls

I2C2 will need 2 Teleconferences over the next year. One will be in Fall 2014 and the other in February/March 2015. A total of 10-15 people will take part in these TC's.

Regards Andreas Zuckermann