

ISPNS EC MOM

An online meeting on google meeting was held on 1 October 2023 at 11am.

The following members attended:

1. Dr Bhagavatula Indiradevi
2. Dr Hari Venkatramani
3. Dr Deepak Agrawal
4. Dr Rajeev Sharma
5. Dr Vivek Tondon
6. Dr Raja Tiwari
7. Dr Kuntal Kanti Das
8. Dr Krishnan
9. Dr Ibrahim
10. Dr Sumit Bansal

Special Invitee:

Dr Anil Sharma

1. Dr Deepak welcomed the members. The minutes of the previous EC meeting which was held on 30th April 2023 (available at <https://ispns.in/minutes-of-ec-meeting/>) were ratified.
2. Dr Rajeev appraised the members regarding the recently concluded pain workshop at AIIMS, New Delhi (<https://painworkshop.ispns.in/>). The event was a grand success, and it was decided that this workshop should be held regularly.
3. Dr Deepak also proposed to hold a workshop on 'Neuromodulation in pain' as it was an upcoming branch and many ISPNS members would benefit from such a workshop, It was unanimously agreed to hold the workshop in the last week of March/ first week of April 2024.
4. Dr Rajeev also presented the audited balance sheet of the year 2022-23 (<https://ispns.in/finances/>). As there was an income tax liability of more than 2 lakhs on a relatively small corpus, Dr Rajeev was advised to take opinion of another CA and find ways to have this reduced.
5. Dr Dattaraj discussed the issues faced in soliciting articles for JPNS. It was decided that Dr Datta will send emails to all EC members (as well as select ISPNS members of his choice) requesting for invited manuscripts on topics of mutual interest before 7th October 2023 with deadline of submission being 15th November. These articles will then be published as a 'bumper' issue (for the years 2022 & 2023) in Dec 2023 and print copies distributed in ISPNS 2024 at AIIMS Raipur.
6. All pending dues of JPNS to Thieme to be clearing immediately by Dr Rajeev after taking invoice from Dr Dattaraj. This will also reduce the tax liability on the society.
7. Dr Anil Sharma (Local organising secretary for ISPNS 2024) was then invited to join the meeting to put across the issues faced regarding the upcoming annual conference.
8. The issue of orations was discussed, and it was unanimously decided that in absence of corpus, no orations (except presidential oration) will be held in the annual conference of ISPNS. However, a special 'BS Das Memorial lecture' may be held this one time (in ISPNS

- 2024). The introducer and speaker for this lecture will be decided by Dr Anil in consultation with Dr Indira.
9. It was also reaffirmed that all EC members must pay registration fees for ISPNS annual conference and was decided that all invited faculty (domestic/ international) will have to register. Covering their expenses through sponsorship is left to the discretion of Dr Anil
 10. It was also decided that the society will give have two awards during the ISPNS annual conference: Best Research paper Award (1st prize of Rs 10000 & 2nd prize of Rs 5000) & Best poster award ((1st prize of Rs 5000 & 2nd prize of Rs 3000). Dr Indira also proposed criteria for the 'best research paper' award:
 - a. case reports etc will be taken as eposters .
 - b. Age limit should be 38 years/ 5 years from joining residency (whichever is earlier)
 - c. Research should not been published anywhere as yet , not presented in award category earlier either in ISPNS or elsewhere
 - d. If none of the entries meet the requirements, there will not be any research awards presented that year
 11. Another award 'Best published paper in JPNS' was proposed by Dr Hari and agreed by all. This award will be given to the best published paper in JPNS in the year preceding the conference & will carry a certificate and cash prize of Rs 5000)
 12. Awards such as 'Best resident paper award' are left to the local organising committees discretion.
 13. Dr Anil also mentioned the issue of lack of international speakers for the conference. After discussion, it was decided that Dr Anil with coordinate with Dr Hari & Dr Indira to improve international participation in ISPNS 2024
 14. Dr Indira mentioned that records are not available of members who register under 'combo offer'. It was decided that Dr Anil will put in place a mechanism so that member form is filled on ISPNS website (<https://ispns.in/become-a-member/>) up for each member booked into 'combo offer' and will give a detailed excel sheet of the same to Treasurer, ISPNS for reconciliation.
 15. As just 3 months are left for the conference, It was decided that the scientific program may be decided in consultation with Dr Indira & Dr Deepak and finalised before the end of October 2023. It was also decided that a follow-up meeting will be held on the 1st Sunday of November 2023 to review the progress on issues related to the conference as well as JPNS.
 16. Dr Raja Tiwari suggested that ISPNS should have social handle(s). This was agreed and Dr Raja was requested to take this responsibility. Dr Indira also suggested that the performance be reviewed in the ISPNS conference 2024 to ensure accountability. This was agreed by all
 17. The meeting ended with thanks to all for taking time out and the valuable suggestions.