

Secretary's Report 2017

Keeping tabs on the membership of EUNOS has previously been difficult because there was no 'active list' built into the old website. The new website functions much better in this respect, providing up-to-date information on members' subscription status as well as their contact details, specialisation and research interests. Based on that dataset, we currently have 53 paid members for 2017, the highest since formal membership was introduced in 2009. There are members from 18 countries within Europe, as well as a handful from elsewhere in the world. About 75% of members describe themselves as ophthalmologists, 15% as neurologists, the rest as both or neither. A research interest was declared by only 15% members, but in the interests of fostering collaborative partnerships I think it would be worth encouraging other members to offer further information when they re-subscribe in 2018. The new website offers much better functionality in terms of contacting other members and also offers a great opportunity to make forthcoming courses /conferences and training opportunities visible across the rest of Europe. I think we should emphasise these points to the general membership at the Business meeting and encourage them to use the new website as a 'message board' for European neuro-ophthalmology. I also think we should set up a Membership committee to work closely with the website managers at improving the benefits to members of being members of EUNOS.

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