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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

as you certainly know, during ESPES Annual Meeting in Madrid I become the new ESPES President succeeding Philippe Montupet.

First of all I would like to thank Philippe Montupet for his excellent work as ESPES President and above all to have started the scientific collaboration with IPEG giving birth to the so called "Joined forces program". I would also like to thank Philipp Szavay the Chairman of IPEG Membership Committee for his friendly collaboration and support. Thanks also goes to Juan De Augustin, his group and the SEATRA Society for the excellent Meeting held in Madrid at the end of September.

Madrid Meeting was a true success with more than 300 attendees, with the active participation of GECE, GEEP and SIVI.

As you know the next ESPES Annual Meeting will be in Wroclaw (Poland) in September 2017 organized by Dariusz Patkowsky, one of the Pioneer of MIS Pediatric Surgery in Eastern Europe.

I would like to inform you about next ESPES events: the 4th of November there will be the first ESPES/IPEG Masterclass in Strasbourg (IRCAD); in June there will be 2 MIS Advanced Courses in Naples (ITALY), the first one is about neonatal MIS surgery with more than 10 hours of practice on rabbit model, the second one focused on pediatric urology on pig model, in addition during the 3 week of July we will have an IPEG/ESPES joint session during the Annual IPEG Meeting that will be held in London (UK).

As our Past President Philippe Montupet told you, a payment of ESPES dues with credit card is now available in the website via Paypal into this account. We are sure that the large majority of our 400 recorded ESPES members will appreciate such a step to officially secure the ESPES membership annual fee payment.

I would like to thank our treasurer Paul Philippe for his huge efforts to realized this.

In addition as you know ESPES has a new Webmaster Jozef Babala and also a new website, please visit it, at the same address : www.espes.eu. I would also like to thank Josef for this hard work.

ESPES is yours and it need your help and your active involvement to grow always with a great success

As you know 2017 will be an election year for ESPES, we have to elect a new President, a new Secretary, 2 new members of the EB and at the beginning of the next year you will receive more info on how to present your application.

Last but not least I would like to thank Mario Mendoza the ESPES Honorary Secretary and all the EB that have hardly work for these 2 years and I promise them to continue working all together in harmony with a real collaboration with the aim to increase the diffusion of ESPES and of MIS Pediatric surgery in Europe and in other countries.

You will receive this ESPES newsletter monthly via email and it will be also available on ESPES website

Please don't hesitate to contact me via mail at my professional address ciroespo@unina.it for any concern

See you next month with November newsletter

Your sincerely

The ESPES President

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