



## MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) - Madrid

**Location:** IFEMA MADRID  
**Room:** Purple Area, Room 5  
**Date:** Monday, 24 March 2025  
**Time:** 13.45 – 14.30 hrs.

**Attendance: 45 EAUN members and 8 non-members attended the AGM**

		DECISIONS
1.	<b>Welcome by the chair - the report of the chair with the presentation of the achievements of 2024/2025, Corinne Tillier</b>	
	<p>The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all the delegates. She reported as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the past year the focus was on education for nurses and OR assistants and on seeking financial support.</li><li>• Successful events included the ERUS meeting (the robotic nurses' meeting) in Bordeaux (organised by the SIG Endourology &amp; Robotics), and two ESUN courses (organised thanks to the SIG Bladder cancer and Prostate cancer) in Lisbon, Portugal.</li><li>• Webinars and podcasts continued, and social media was used to promote this with contributions from Marta Marchetti, Tiago Santos, Marcin Popinski, Federico lo Giudice, and Tania Marin.</li><li>• International collaborations with ESNO, INUS, and ECO were maintained. Together with BAUN and ANZUNS/NZUNS the development of an educational framework for urology nursing was continued. It will be completed and go into the next phase, implementation, soon.</li><li>• EAUN is a member of the EPAG, a European Patient Advocacy Group and this means we have two meetings a year and we participate in their programme at the annual congress. Friday the 21st we organised a programme about Patient Advocacy here in Madrid.</li><li>• The guidelines are also a main focus for the chair in the coming year.</li></ul>	
2.	<b>Approval of the AGM Minutes 2024 (vote)</b>	Vote result
	The minutes are accepted after a unanimous agreement among the attendees.	ACCEPTED
3.	<b>Voting changes in the Bylaws</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The bylaws were updated to reflect the current areas of responsibilities of the board: Governance, Finances, International relations, Guidelines, Education, Accreditation &amp; Endorsement, Contact Special Interest Groups, Social media,</li></ul>	ACCEPTED

	<p>Chair Scientific Congress Office, Contact ESNO. Bylaws are reviewed and if needed updated every 4 years.</p> <p>The members approved the changes with a majority of votes.</p>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Report by the Board Members 2024/25</b>	
	<b>Accreditation &amp; endorsement, presented by Corinne Tillier</b>	
	<p><b>Accreditation</b> provides organisers of training and educational activity with the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to EUAB-CNE's standards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All applications are reviewed by an independent accreditation board (EUAB-CNE). Applications are made via the eu-acme.org website.</li> <li>○ The International EAUN meeting in Madrid is accredited with 16 points.</li> </ul> <p><b>EAUN endorsement</b> provides organisations (including non-profit), with the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to high standards of urological patient care.</p> <p>EAUN endorsed 2 educational programmes in the last year, including <a href="#">TRANSITION</a> and a video programme for <a href="#">advanced renal cell carcinoma</a> by COR2ED.</p>	
	<b>Guidelines by Corinne Tillier</b>	
	<p>Co-leads: Corinne Tillier (NL), Lisbeth Leinum (DK)</p> <p>In 2024, the update of both guidelines in the catheterisation domain, focusing on indwelling catheters in adults (both urethral and suprapubic) and urethral intermittent catheterisation, have been finalised under the leadership of Susanne Vahr (DK) and Veronika Geng (DE). They are available on the EAUN website.</p> <p>In 2025, with support and a grant of Wellspect, a summary of the guideline on Intermittent catheterisation has been produced. It was presented at their symposium organised at EAUN25 (with a QR code for download) and will be available on the EAUN website.</p> <p>Under the leadership of Bente Thoft (DK) and Kathryn Chatterton (GB), an EAUN Guideline Panel, in collaboration with the EAU Guidelines Office, is actively engaged in updating the intravesical instillation guideline, a critical aspect of urological nursing care. The anticipated publication of this updated guideline is expected soon in 2025.</p>	
	<b>Scientific Congress Office by Mattia Boarin and Lisbeth Roesen Leinum</b>	
	<p>Mr. Mattia Boarin, the Chair of the Scientific Congress Office, thanked his Co-chair Lisbeth Leinum, from Denmark, and all the participants for this successful conference: we had 3 Plenary Sessions, 10 State-of-the-art Lectures, 14 Thematic Sessions, and more than 330 participants from 40 different countries.</p> <p>He also thanked all SCO members, Morna Jones (GB), Pia Albin (CH), Claire Cassels (GB) for their excellent work and especially Lynn Casey, from Ireland, who has completed her 3-year term and is now stepping down as SCO member. She made a great contribution, this and previous years, and was acknowledged with a certificate for her important work.</p> <p>Lastly, a warm welcome to the incoming member of the SCO: Elisabeth Grov Beisland from Norway.</p> <p>Lisbeth Leinum then took this opportunity to share some information about the work in the SCO: SCO members serve a three-year term, which results in regular turnover</p>	

	<p>within the organisation. She encouraged the members to consider joining the SCO. The next call for new members will be issued end 2025/beginning 2026, giving you ample time to think it over.</p>	
	<b>Social Media by Tiago Santos</b>	
	<p>Co-lead: Marcin Popinski (PL)</p> <p>Tiago highlighted the importance of social media in amplifying EAUN's reach and engagement: Over the past year, we've focused on enhancing our presence and engaging our members, resulting in increased visibility for EAUN activities, especially through our LinkedIn and Instagram accounts. Posts about EAUN educational activities received the highest engagement.</p> <p>Our goal is to foster a closer relationship with the members. We're promoting membership benefits, such as Tania Marin's recent sharing of her fellowship experiences. As a 2-year member, you can apply for this exchange programme, with EAUN covering all expenses.</p> <p>We're also sharing EAUN podcasts on platforms like Spotify, Apple Music, and YouTube, accessible via the EAU mobile app.</p> <p>Stay tuned for updates on future EAUN activities and educational opportunities. Thank you!</p>	
	<b>Special Interest Groups and ESUN by Corinne Tillier</b>	
	<p>In total 5 SIGs are active in the EAUN:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SIG Bladder Cancer. Chair: Bente Thoft Jensen (DK)</li> <li>• SIG Continence. Chair: Stefano Terzoni (IT)</li> <li>• SIG Prostate Cancer. Chair: Natasha Roberts (AU)</li> <li>• SIG Endourology &amp; Robotics. Chair: Anna Mohammed (UK)</li> <li>• SIG Sexual Health. Chair: Jeannette Verkerk-Geelhoed (NL)</li> </ul> <p>The SIGs have done an amazing job in the past year. They have played a pivotal role in developing Webinars, Podcasts, ESUN courses, the ERUS Meeting, Thematic sessions and other sessions at the EAUN congress, representing EAUN as speaker at international conferences, developing EAUN Guidelines, and contributing to the newsletters.</p> <p>The fruits of all this work can be found at the EAUN websites, as e-courses, news articles, YouTube videos, conference resources, and on the podcast channels of the EAU(N).</p> <p>EAUN members with expertise in one of these urological fields (urology nurse, clinical nurse, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, urotherapist, physiotherapist or other health care professionals) can join the SIGs.</p>	
	<b>E-courses and Fellowships by Marcin Popinski</b>	
	<p>E-courses are available through the link provided on the slide, for example Nephrostomy catheters, which is a very interesting e-course.</p> <p>Now, let's talk about the fellowship, which is a Nurses' Exchange Programme. Participating in this fellowship allows you to visit hospitals in different cities or countries. This year, Tania Marin took part in the fellowship. We used Snapshot to share updates on social media, which you can find on our Facebook page. A detailed day-by-day report of the fellowship is also available there.</p>	
	<b>Membership development and Finances by Paula Allchorne</b>	
	<p>We have 13 national group memberships, which stayed stable, while the total</p>	

	<p>membership number went up slightly to 2,950. Membership fee income was 13,440 euros.</p> <p>Unfortunately, our finances are not as strong as we would like. We would not be here if it weren't for the EAU. They provide us with 25,000 euros every year, and we also receive admin support from Hanneke. As was shown in the financial report of 2024, we incurred a significant loss of 56,000 euros. Our main losses have primarily come from the Paris congress, ERUS, and the ESUN courses. We are facing substantial financial needs, and unfortunately, sponsorship has not been enough to cover our expenses. We will again approach pharmaceutical and tech companies this year to explore potential ways to increase our income. Overall, we are fortunate that the EAU enables us to organise all activities for urology nurses despite our lack of funds. Thank you.</p>	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Changes in the Board and Board by Corinne Tillier</b>	Vote result
	Claire Arblaster is on maternity leave for one year (from January 2025 until January 2026). Tiago's term as EAUN Board member has ended this month, but the Board has requested that he remains on the team during Claire's maternity leave.	
	<b>Welcome word Federico Lo Giudice (IE)</b>	Vote results
	Federico Lo Giudice's introduction: Federico is originally from Italy, and has been working in Ireland for nine years. For the past two years, he's been a Candidate Nurse Practitioner specialising in male lower urinary tract symptoms, having spent his career in urology in various roles. He applied to the board instinctively, and it has proven to be an incredible opportunity. He's been inspired by many people during just two conferences, and he admires the board's mission to enhance patient care and support nursing skills development.	
	<b>Voting for Federico Lo Giudice as new Board Member</b>	
	Federico's candidacy was accepted with an almost unanimous vote.	ACCEPTED
	<b>Welcome word Rikke Nygaard Knudsen (DK)</b>	
	Rikke Knudsen's introduction: Rikke works in the Department of Urology at Aarhus University Hospital. She has been in the field of urology since I became a nurse in 2004. Since 2014, she have served as the chair of the Danish National Nurses Society in Denmark. She is honoured to have the opportunity to join the EAUN board. She looks forward to the approval of her candidacy by the members and the chance to contribute to the development of urology nursing in the future. She is also eager to work with all her colleagues here.	
	<b>Voting for Rikke Nygaard Knudsen as new Board Member</b>	
	The members accepted Rikke's candidacy with an almost unanimous vote.	ACCEPTED
	<b>Welcome word Sarah Hillery (GB) (pre-recorded)</b>	
	Sarah Hillery's introduction: Sarah is a urology nurse practitioner at York and Scarborough NHS Teaching Hospitals Trust in the UK, specialising in benign and diagnostic urology, flexible cystoscopy, and botox injections for overactive bladder. She recently completed her term as BAUN president and attended the EAUN conference, recognising the shared commitment among professionals to help patients with urological challenges. Sarah aims to contribute to the EAUN by using her experience with national charities to strengthen global networks. She is dedicated to advocating for urology nursing worldwide.	
	<b>Voting for Sarah Hillery (GB) as new Board Member</b>	
	The members accepted Sarah's candidacy with an almost unanimous vote.	ACCEPTED

	<b>Introduction of Lisbeth Roesen Leinum as Chair Elect</b>	
	<p>Lisbeth Leinum was introduced as the new chair-elect: Lisbeth joined the EAUN Board one year ago, and it has been amazing for her to be part of it in this past year. She has already learned so much from all of her very clever colleagues on the board. She is looking forward to working closely with Corinne on leading the EAUN and supporting efforts in delivering education and evidence-based practice in urology.</p>	
	<b>Goodbye to Paula Allchorne as Past Chair by Corinne Tillier</b>	
	<p>This marks Paula's last term after serving as a board member for 10 years, including 6 years as chair. Paula has inspired me greatly; she is the one who provided the structure for the EAUN. Thanks to her efforts, we can now confidently look to the future, knowing we have the foundation we needed. We must continue the work that Paula started.</p> <p>I want to express my heartfelt thanks for everything you have done for the EAUN and for your outstanding leadership as chair. You were truly remarkable—a great leader. I'm pleased to announce that Paula will remain active within the EAUN's Special Interest Groups (SIGs), specifically as a member of the Sexual Health SIG.</p> <p>Additionally, Paula had the insightful idea to create a special interest group for the EFUN roll-out. This is an important step, as we must continue our efforts to develop the EFUN educational framework, which is supported by societies in Europe, Australia, and the UK. Thank you very much, Paula. I sincerely appreciate your contributions and all that you have accomplished.</p> <p>The Chair handed over a certificate of acknowledgement to Paula Allchorne to recognise her excellent work and dedication.</p>	
	<b>Resulting Board structure with areas of responsibility</b>	
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6.	<b>Comments &amp; Questions &amp; Answers</b>	
	<p>There were no further questions.</p>	
	<b>Closure</b>	
	<p>Before closing the meeting, Corinne thanked all members, National Societies, SIGs, SCO, and EAUN members for their contributions.</p> <p>Appreciation was extended to the EAU for their support and to the companies that participated in the EAUN programme and exhibition: Hollister, Coloplast, Wellspect, and Sulacare.</p>	

The next EAUN event was announced to be held in London, with a nurses' dinner planned on the Friday evening.

Thank you for attending the AGM.



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