




# MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Paris

**Location:** Paris Expo Porte de Versailles  
**Room:** Green Area, Room S06  
**Date:** Monday, 8 April 2024  
**Time:** 14.15 – 15.00 hrs.

**Attendance:** 54 EAUN delegates attended the AGM

		DECISIONS
<p><b>1.</b></p>	<p><b>Welcome by the chair, Paula Allchorne</b></p> <p>The AGM is an important aspect of our annual conference as it’s our way of communicating to our members all the work that has been going on over the last year. As a board we have reflected on the needs of our EAUN members, and how to achieve our long-term strategy. Therefore, we have made some changes to the board structure to ensure we can achieve our aims, with the new members that have been voted on to the board (see below).</p> <p>See link for our long-term strategy - <a href="http://www.nurses.uroweb.org/nurses/about-eaun/the-aims-and-strategy/">www.nurses.uroweb.org/nurses/about-eaun/the-aims-and-strategy/</a></p> <pre> graph TD     subgraph Education         E[EDUCATION Lead: Tiago Santos, Marcin Popinski, Claire Davies]     end     subgraph Accreditation         A[Accreditation &amp; Endorsement Lead(s): Mattia Boarin, Claire Davies]     end     subgraph SCO         S[SCO: Scientific Congress Office Lead(s): Mattia Boarin<sup>1</sup>, Lisbeth Roesen Leinum]         S_M[• SCO Members]     end     subgraph Guidelines         G[Guidelines Lead(s): Corinne Tillier, Lisbeth Roesen Leinum]         G_P[• Guideline Panel(s)]     end     subgraph EAUN_BOARD [EAUN BOARD]         EAC[EAUN Chair: Corinne Tillier (NL) Past Chair: Paula Allchorne (UK) Finances &amp; International relations]         BM[Board Members: Tiago Santos (PT) Mattia Boarin (IT) Marcin Popinski (PL) Lisbeth Roesen Leinum (DK) Claire Davies (UK) Vacancy]         EM[EAUN Manager: Hanneke Lurvink (NL)]     end     subgraph Governance         GOV[GOVERNANCE Lead(s): Paula Allchorne, Corinne Tillier]     end     subgraph SocialMedia         SM[SOCIAL MEDIA Lead(s): Tiago Santos<sup>1</sup>, (Vacancy)]     end     subgraph SIG [SIG: SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS]         SIG_L[Lead(s): Corinne Tillier<sup>1</sup>, Paula Allchorne, Marcin Popinski, Claire Davies]         SIG_BC[• SIG Bladder Cancer Chair: Bente Thoft Jensen (DK)]         SIG_PC[• SIG Prostate Cancer Chair: Louisa Fleure (UK)]         SIG_C[• SIG Continence Chair: Stefano Terzoni (IT)]         SIG_E[• SIG Endourology Chair: Anna Mohammed (UK)]         SIG_SH[• SIG Sexual Health Chair: Jeannette Verkerk (NL)]     end      Education --- EAUN_BOARD     Accreditation --- EAUN_BOARD     SCO --- EAUN_BOARD     Guidelines --- EAUN_BOARD     EAUN_BOARD --- Governance     EAUN_BOARD --- SocialMedia     EAUN_BOARD --- SIG     </pre> <p>1: Lead Point of Contact</p>	
<p><b>2.</b></p>	<p><b>Approval of the AGM Report 2023 (vote)</b></p>	<p>Vote result</p>
	<p>The minutes are accepted without comments.</p>	<p>ACCEPTED</p>
<p><b>3.</b></p>	<p><b>Report by the Board Members 2023/24</b></p>	
	<p><b>Accreditation &amp; endorsement, presented by Dr Jason Alcorn</b></p>	
	<p>The report from the accreditation board was presented as follows. An overview of</p>	

	<p>accreditation is the granting of approval by an official review board after the ensuring certain requirements are met. The current board is independent of any EAUN boards or groups. This is to ensure that any bias is removed as much as possible. The board is administered through the EU-ACME/ACNE office. The office provides structure and facilitation of CNE/CPD activities for members through an online system. Each EAUN member automatically has an online account where their CNE (Continuing Nursing Education) points are held. The benefits of this are: an online portfolio; validation of educational activities; registration of CNE points, online learning or materials. Accounts can be found at <a href="https://mycme.eu-acme.org/">https://mycme.eu-acme.org/</a>. A call was given to members to join the accreditation board as reviewers.</p> <p>The board aims to meet to discuss issues around accreditation and the process. However, it is not always possible to all meet as members are spread globally.</p> <p>We promote the accreditation and endorsement of courses and activities that are of interest to members. We especially support applications from countries or those with no national society who have no formal process for accreditation.</p> <p>The following overview of endorsement was presented. It is where the EAUN lends the EAUN name/logo to activities or materials that demonstrate commitment to high quality standards to urological patient care. These may contain study days, courses, brochures, books, as well as websites and apps. This has begun to gain momentum and there has been 3 courses/papers endorsed to date. One has produced a small income for the organisation.</p>	
	<p><b>Guidelines by Franziska Geese</b></p>	
	<p>Out-going Co-leads: Robert McConkey (IE), Franziska Geese (CH) In-coming Co-leads: Corinne Tillier (NL), Lisbeth Leinum (DK)</p> <p>Progress made: The recent reorganisation of the EAUN Guideline Group has significantly streamlined operations and enhanced efficiency, facilitating substantial advancements in the development and dissemination of urological nursing guidelines. Notably, the update of the EAUN Guideline Manual in 2023 ensured the integration of the latest evidence-based practices in line with the EAU methodological approach. Additionally, Susanne Vahr (DK) and Veronica Geng (DE) have spearheaded the update of two guidelines in the catheterisation domain for the years 2023 and 2024, focusing on indwelling catheters in adults (both urethral and suprapubic) and urethral intermittent catheterisation. These updated guidelines were presented on the EAUN webpage and at the annual conference in 2024.</p> <p>Current guideline update progress: Under the leadership of Bente Thoft (DK) and Kathryn Chatterton (UK), the EAUN Guideline Panel 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 in 2025/26, demonstrating the group's commitment to providing comprehensive and up-to-date guidance for urological nurses.</p> <p>Furthermore, updates regarding past and ongoing guideline developments have been disseminated in the European Urology Today (EUT) 2023 and the International Journal of Urological Nursing by the outgoing co-leads, Robert McConkey and Franziska Geese. European Urology Today: <a href="https://nurses.uroweb.org/eaun-guidelines-updates/">https://nurses.uroweb.org/eaun-guidelines-updates/</a> IJUN: <a href="https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/ijun.12383">https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/ijun.12383</a></p>	<p><b>DE</b></p>

	<p><b>Scientific Congress Office by Mattia Boarin</b></p> <p>As co-chair of the Scientific Congress Office, I would to thank all of you for this successful conference: we have had 3 Plenary Sessions, 7 State-of-the-art Lectures, 14 Thematic Sessions, and more than 300 participants from 33 different countries.</p> <p>I would like to give a special thanks to Franziska Geese, from Switzerland, for her great support as Co-chair of the SCO in the past year. She is now stepping down from the board. Hendrique Reinders-Huisman, from the Netherlands, is stepping down too as SCO member and I would thank her for the great job in the last year.</p> <p>Many thanks to all SCO members for the huge work.</p> <p>I am pleased to introduce Lisbeth Leinum, from Denmark, as new Co-chair and Claire Cassels, from the UK, as new SCO members.</p>	
	<p><b>Social Media by Tiago Santos</b></p> <p>Out-going Co-lead: Robert McConkey (IRE) In-coming Co-lead: Marcin Popinski (PL)</p> <p>We are continuing to work on EAUN presence on social media platforms in order to promote the visibility of our activities to our members and non-members throughout the year and share knowledge. We continue to be present on Facebook, LinkedIn and “X”. In the past year LinkedIn was the social media platform in which EAUN had most engagement from the followers.</p> <p>Last month we also created an official account on Instagram, where we believe a lot of nurses are present and active, and I would like to invite you all to follow our account by scanning the QR code on the screen.</p>  <p>@EAUNURSES</p> <p>Finally, I would like to invite you all to contact EAUN (<a href="mailto:eaun@uroweb.org">eaun@uroweb.org</a>) if you want us to share through our social media accounts, your investigations, daily work activities/photos and other relevant subjects for urology nursing. This space is also yours and we will be pleased to give you a voice and visibility!</p>	
	<p><b>Education by Corinne Tillier</b></p> <p>The SIGs were very active in 2023 and have proposed several educational events. I would like to thank all the SIGs (chairs and members) for their commitment and efforts to offer high-level educational nursing events.</p> <p>In 2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Webinar Getting it right the first time (GIRFT) – a concept to optimise the bladder cancer pathway (May 2023)</li> <li>- Webinar Improving efficiency within the robotic theatre (Jan 2023)</li> <li>- ERUS-EAUN Robotic Urology Nursing Meeting in Florence (July 2023)</li> <li>- Webinar Sexual health in men treated for prostate cancer (Dec 2023)</li> <li>- Webinar Pelvic organ prolapse and the impact on urinary function (Sept 2023)</li> <li>- Thematic sessions EAUN23</li> </ul> <p>Objectives in 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Webinar “Bring the hospital to the patient” 22 May, 2024</li> <li>- Webinars in September and December 2024</li> <li>- Start updating the EAUN guidelines on Intravesical instillation</li> <li>- ESUN Courses (SIG Bladder, SIG Prostate, SIG Sexual Health)</li> </ul>	

	<p>Concerns: Plenty of idea's for educational events, but difficulty to timely arrange industry support for the hands-on training and ESUN courses and therefore unsure if educational programmes will go ahead.</p>	
	<p><b>Special Interest Groups by Corinne Tillier &amp; Marcin Popinski</b></p>	
	<p>In total 5 SIG's 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: Louisa Fleure (UK)</li> <li>• SIG Endourology &amp; Robotics. Chair: Anna Mohammed (UK)</li> <li>• SIG Sexual Health. Chair: Jeannette Verkerk-Geelhoed (NL)</li> </ul> <p>The SIG's are involved in: Webinars, ESUN courses, Thematic sessions EAUN congress, Participation to advisory meetings and EAUN Guidelines</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>	
	<p><b>Membership development and Finances by Paula Allchorne</b></p>	
	<p>It is our responsibility to give our members an overview of the EAUN finances for 2023/24, as we always like to mention our huge appreciation to the EAU, whom supported the EAUN with 25,000 euros to help us deliver what you as members have told us are key to you, education and guidelines.</p> <p>The membership number went down slightly to 2,588, however, with more social media, current review process of our guidelines and the increased SIG activities we are hoping membership will increase.</p>	
	<p><b>International Relations by Paula Allchorne</b></p>	
	<p>In 2023-2024 the EAUN Chair, presented at the following conferences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• British Association for Urology Nursing (BAUN). 'Mapping a Route to Europe and the World'. November 2023 – United Kingdom.</li> <li>• Pakistan (PAUS) – (online) 'Development of Urology Nursing as a Specialty in Pakistan'. October 2023.</li> <li>• Royal Society of Medicine. 'Leading Inspirational Care in Urology'. March 2024 – United Kingdom.</li> </ul> <p>The international collaborations are increasing. They now comprise INUS (Innsbruck, AT), ANZUP (Adelaide, AU), ICN NP/ANP (Dublin, IE), Post EAUN Meeting (Aarhus, DE).</p> <p>The EAUN is member of the European Specialist Nurses Organisation (ESNO), together with 14 other European specialist nurse organisations and individual members. For more information: <a href="https://www.esno.org/index.html">https://www.esno.org/index.html</a></p> <p>EAUN is also a member of the European Cancer Organisation (ECO) which includes focus groups. For more information: <a href="https://www.europeancancer.org/">https://www.europeancancer.org/</a></p> <p>EAUN, BAUS and ANZUNs have signed a collaboration document to ensure international collaboration continues, with sharing practice.</p>	
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Changes in the Board and Board &amp; Scientific Congress Office composition</b></p>	Vote result
	<p>Unfortunately, we say goodbye and offer our thanks to Jason Alcorn, Franziska Geese and Robert McConkey who have all played a vital role on the restructure of the board including 'Accreditation and Endorsement Policy' &amp; developing a strategic plan for our</p>	ACCEPTED

upcoming Guidelines.

They have all helped shape the ‘New EAUN Board’ and have contributed over and beyond expectations.

I am pleased to introduce Lisbeth Roesen Leinum from Denmark and Claire Arblaster (Davies) from the United Kingdom, who will be joining the board after successfully being voted on by you all at the AGM. They will both be taking up their new responsibilities on the board, Lisbeth Leinum will be helping Mattia Boarin with the Scientific Congress Office and Corinne Tillier with the Guidelines (1 vacancy). Whereas, Claire Arblaster (Davies) will be helping Corinne Tillier & Paula Allchorne with the SIGs and ‘Education’ with Tiago Santos & Marcin Popinski.

Lisbeth Roesen Leinum and Claire Arblaster (Davies) both introduced themselves to the members after which they were voted onto the board by the members unanimously.

#### **Board composition from March 2024**

EAUN Board
Corinne Tillier (Chair – NL)
Paula Allchorne (Past Chair – UK)
Tiago Santos (PT)
Mattia Boarin (IT)
Marcin Popinski (PL)
Lisbeth Roesen Leinum (DK)
Claire Arblaster (Davies) (UK)
Vacancy

#### **5. Open forum**

There were no further questions.

#### **Closure**

The Chair (Paula Allchorne) and Chair Elect (Corinne Tiller) handed over certificates of appreciation to Jason Alcorn, Franziska Geese and Robert McConkey (Eva Wallace accepted the certificate on his behalf) for their hard work and dedication they have given to the EAUN over the years.

Paula Allchorne also stepped down from being the current Chair and handed over to Corinne Tiller, current Chair Elect to take up her new role as the ‘Chair of the EAUN’

The Board gives a special thanks to Hanneke Lurvink, who supports the board from the central office with much dedication.

Thank you for attending the AGM

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Research Project Plan Submission

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Looking forward to seeing you all in Madrid 2025 –

**Ronny Pieters Nominations and Travel grant applications deadline is 1 November!**

**Abstract deadline is 1 December 2024!**