



EWAS

European Wrist Arthroscopy Society

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Art 1: Aim and Purpose

EWAS was created March 19, 2005. It is an association governed by the law of 1 July 1901 and Decree of 16 August 1901 to name "European Group for Wrist Arthroscopy"

« European Wrist Arthroscopy Society » is an organisation which represents all surgeons interested in the field of wrist surgery and wrist arthroscopy. Its object is to improve the standard of wrist arthroscopy and wrist surgery.

The purpose of EWAS is to rationalize and unify the training and educational structure for the development of wrist arthroscopy.

The headquarters of the association is at the Secretary General in PARIS, 6 Square JOUVENET, 75016. It may be transferred by decision of the Executive committee (EC).

Art 2: Acting Methods

EWAS organizes special courses devoted to wrist arthroscopy and wrist surgery. There are two types of courses: the official EWAS-Ircad Courses taking place in Ircad-Europe, Ircad-Asia and Ircad-Brazil. These courses are two per year (Basic and Advanced). There are also Endorsed-EWAS courses, which are the responsibility of an active member, but under the scientific and technical control of EWAS and Chairman of Teaching Committee

Art 4: Membership

The Society is formed of active members, associate members and honorary members.

1/ Active Members

They are surgeons of which a part of the surgical activity is devoted to the wrist surgery and wrist arthroscopy. Active members pay fees, participate to General Assembly and have a right to vote and to be elected as member of executive committee, or other committee.

2/ Associate members

They are all individuals who are not surgeons, eg Orthopaedic trainees, Physiotherapist, sports doctors..., who are interested to the wrist surgery and wrist arthroscopy. They pay reduced fees, participate to the General Assembly, but they do not have the right to vote, nor to be elected as member of committee.

3/ Honorary Members

The honorary members are all persons to which ones this distinction will have been awarded by the general assembly of the association and who have given a particularly high contribution in the field of wrist surgery and/or wrist arthroscopy, or who have given a particularly high contribution to the society

Conditions of Admission: Being a doctor in medicine, qualified as a surgeon, accept the rules of the present by-laws, regularly practicing wrist arthroscopy.

The loss of membership of Active Member may occur in three circumstances:

- Decision by EC to withdraw from EWAS
- Personal request of the member
- Non payment of dues for a period of more than 2 years

In each case, the General Assembly takes the decision on the recommendation of the EC.

Art 5: Funding

The funding of EWAS is mainly derived from:

- Member's fees: The EC determines the active member's fee per capita. Fees are paid each year or each two year in January
- Revenues from meeting and courses (if available)
- Royalties from book edited by EWAS (if available)
- Gifts and sponsorship are acceptable means of funding for EWAS

Art 6: Organization

1/ EWAS committee

- President
- 1st Vice President
- 2nd Vice President (non member of EC)
- Past-President
- Secretary General
- Vice Secretary General
- Treasurer
 - . Responsible of membership
- Chairman of IT committee
 - IT development (non member of EC)
- Chairman of Future development committee with two members (non member of EC)
- Chairman of Scientific committee
 - . Sport societies relation (EFOST, WST, ISSPORTH, SFTS...) (non member of EC)
 - . Scientific societies relation (FESSH, EFORT, IMUKA, ESKA, ISAKOS...) (non member of EC)
- Chairman of Teaching committee

- . Barcelona course
- . Brazilian course
- . Eastern-Europe course
- . German course
- . Hong-Kong course
- . Lisbon course
- . Miami course
- . Ocean Asia courses and congresses
- . Rotterdam course
- . Strasburg course
- . Taiwan course

The secretary General is elected for a period of 3 years by the GA on the recommendation of EC. The GA may consider other nominations. He can be re-elected once for a further term of 3 years.

The treasurer is elected for a period of 5 years by the GA on the recommendation of ESG. The GA may consider other nominations. He can be re-elected once for a further term of 5 years. He holds the accounts of the association and, under the supervision of the President, carries out the payments and collection, and does a financial report to every general assembly. He is helped by responsible of membership to recuperate member's fee, and maintain the membership directory

The Secretary General and the Treasurer represent the association in all acts of civil life and in Justice.

The president is elected by GA for one year, on the recommendation of council of president chaired by past-president. He is elected 3 years before his term becoming 2nd Vice-President (he is member of committee, but not yet member of EC), then 1st Vice-President. He becomes member of EC for a 3 years period (1st Vice-President, President, Past president)

During his term of presidency he has to organize the EWAS sessions during the annual FESSH meeting with the help of a member of EWAS of the host country of the FESSH congress, chosen by SG and in relation with the Chairman of FESSH congress.

When he becomes Past President, he is the chairman of council of President in charge of selection of future Presidents

The Chairman of teaching committee is responsible of courses, selection of experts, choice of sponsors and all related to the organization to the official EWAS-Ircad courses; He was helped by responsible of different courses, and he can help, if necessary, the organizer/chairman of EWAS endorsed courses. He must check if these courses are in appropriateness with EWAS spirit end rules. He is elected for a period of 3 years renewable once

The Chairman of IT committee is in charge of EWAS website. He is helped by responsible of IT development. He must take stock of all events organized by EWAS, selects and reports them on the web site and all that he deems necessary for the development of society via internet. He is elected for a period of 3 years renewable once

The Chairman of Future Development committee is in charge, with the help of two other members, of the availability of future development in the field of wrist surgery and wrist

arthroscopy. This committee will work on 4 different projects: robotic, augmented reality, flexible optical, single incision. He is elected for a period of 3 years renewable once

The Chairman of Scientific Committee is responsible for auditing and checking quality of science produced by EWAS. He may also decide to direct specific searches with the help of interested members and will lead these projects. He will be assisted by two responsible, one for relationships with scientific societies turned to sports injuries, and another for relations with other scientific societies. He is elected for a period of 3 years renewable once

2/ Executive Committee (EC).

The society is managed by an Executive committee part of EWAS committee

The Executive committee is composed of 10 members: President, Vice President, Past president (chairman of council of Presidents), Secretary General (Chairman of EC, in case of vote counts double), Vice Secretary General, Treasurer, Chairman of IT committee, Chairman of Scientific committee, Chairman of FD committee, Chairman of Teaching committee

The EC meets at least once per year or more often as it appears necessary by the SG. It meets also equally on the request of the half of its members. The presence of half at least of its members is necessary to the validity of its deliberations. The majority of votes take the decision. In case of equality of vote, the SG voice counts twice. The deliberations of the Office are noted by verbal processes established on a special and signed register by the President and Secretary General.

3/ General Assembly

A General Assembly, open to all members of EWAS, is organized at every scientific congress of F.E.S.S.H, by SG and EC.

The invitation will be done by SG individually to each member by email (via wristarthroscopy@medtool.net, 1 month at least before the date back of the General Assembly. The invitation will mention the topic of discussion on that day, which will be able to be the object of a vote to the general assembly, except unanimous agreement of the « European Wrist Arthroscopy Society»

Only the active members are allowed to vote and the present active members in the general assembly win the majority. In case of equality of vote, the President and SG voice counts twice.

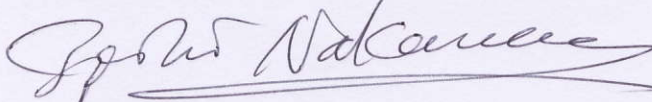
The general assembly names and revokes the Committee, decides principal orientations of the activity of the « European Wrist Arthroscopy Society » hears the financial report of the Treasurer and the annual report of the Secretary General, gives power to the Secretary General and to the Treasurer for the management of the association. It rules on all other questions relating to the functioning of the EWAS

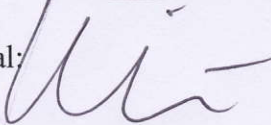
English will be the official language for scientific presentations during the EWAS session, EWAS courses, and General Assembly.

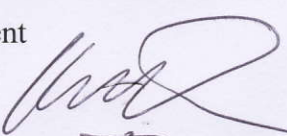
Art 7: Dissolution

In case of dissolution decided by the General Assembly under the conditions mentioned in Article 6-3, one or more liquidators shall be appointed by EC and assets, if any, shall vest in accordance with law and regulations on associations reported.

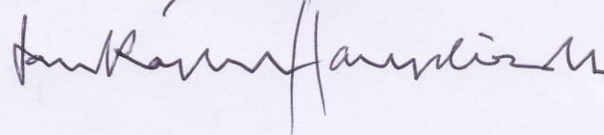
The present by-laws were approved by the General Assembly, Oslo, 27th June 2011


The President: 

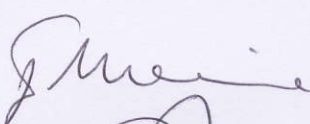
The Secretary General: 


The 1st Vice President 


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The Treasurer 

The Chairman of IT committee 

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