



EUROPEAN RENAL ASSOCIATION

EUROPEAN DIALYSIS AND TRANSPLANT ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL REPORT

May 2003

Dear Member,

Also this year the activities of the Association will be described in detail to you.

In this booklet you will find:

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Best regards,

Prof. Francesco Locatelli
ERA-EDTA President

Prof. Jorge Cannata-Andía
ERA-EDTA Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. Luis Piera
ERA-EDTA Chief Controller

FORMER AND CURRENT OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

HONORARY MEMBERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Kennedy A.	United Kingdom	1982
Drukker W. †	The Netherlands	1982
Migone L. †	Italy	1984
Kolff W.J.	U.S.A.	1985
Scribner B.H.	U.S.A.	1985
Kerr D.N.S.	United Kingdom	1986
Legrain M.	France	1987
Traeger J.	France	1988
Boen S.T.	The Netherlands	1988
McGeown M.G.	United Kingdom	1990
Watschinger B.	Austria	1991
Shaldon S.	France	1994
Cameron S.	United Kingdom	1998
Cambi V.	Italy	2002
Davison A.M.	United Kingdom	2002

PRESIDENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Forminje B.	The Netherlands	1964*
Swinney J. †	United Kingdom	1965*
Traeger J.	France	1966*
Thaysen J.H. †	Denmark	1967*
Walsh A.	Ireland	1968*
Dutz H. †	Germany	1969*
Rotellar E. †	Spain	1970*
Alwall N. †	Sweden	1971*
Migone L. †	Italy	1972*
Kennedy A.C.	United Kingdom	1972
Thaysen J.H. †	Denmark	1975
Legrain M.	France	1978
Andreucci V.E.	Italy	1981
Cameron J.S.	United Kingdom	1984
Klinkmann H.	Germany	1987
Botella J. †	Spain	1990
Bernheim J.	Israel	1993
Berthoux F.	France	1996
Davison A.M.	United Kingdom	1999
Locatelli F.	Italy	2002

* From 1964 to 1972 the President of the Association was also the Congress President and remained in office for one year only instead of three

SECRETARY-TREASURERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Drukker W. †	The Netherlands	1964
Carmody M.	Ireland	1969
Andreucci V.E.	Italy	1973
Boen S.T.	The Netherlands	1979
Botella J. †	Spain	1984
Cambi V.	Italy	1990
Carrera F.	Portugal	1996
Cannata-Andía J.	Spain	2002

CHIEF CONTROLLERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Cambi V.	Italy	1996
Piera L.	Spain	1999

EDITORES EMERITI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Davison A.M.	United Kingdom	1993
Ritz E.	Germany	1999

EDITORS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Kerr D.N.S.	United Kingdom	1964
Cameron J.S.	United Kingdom	1970
Moorehead J.	United Kingdom	1973
Robinson B.H.B	United Kingdom	1976
Davison A.M.	United Kingdom	1982
Ritz E.	Germany	1993
Drüeke T.B.	France	1999

CHAIRMEN OF THE REGISTRY

From 1996 Scientific Advisory Board (SAB)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Fritz K.W.	Germany	1968 (June)
Michielsen P.	Belgium	1968 (October)
Gurland H.J.	Germany	1969
Wing A.J.	United Kingdom	1976
Brunner F.	Switzerland	1985
Mallick N.B.	United Kingdom	1991
Valderrabano F. †	Spain	1995
Briggs J.D.	United Kingdom	1997

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEMBERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Thaysen J.H. †	Denmark	1964
Giovanetti S. †	Italy	1964
Funk-Bretano J.L. †	France	1964
Shaldon S.	United Kingdom	1964
Alwall N. †	Sweden	1964
Michielsen P.	Belgium	1966
Orlowski T.	Poland	1966
Traeger J.	France	1966
Alexander G.P.J.	Belgium	1966
Fritz K.W.	Germany	1966
Kennedy A.C.	United Kingdom	1967
Mery J.P.	France	1967
Migone L. †	Italy	1967
Valek A. †	Czech Republic	1967
Bucht H.	Sweden	1969
Fries D.	France	1969
Schackman R.	United Kingdom	1969
Watschinger B.	Austria	1969
Berionade V.	Romania	1970
Shaldon S.	France	1970
Giordano C.	Italy	1970
van Ypersele C.	Belgium	1970
Gurland H.	Germany	1971
Lindstrom B.	Finland	1972
Mion C.	France	1972
Vereerstraeten P.	Belgium	1973
Pinggera W.	Austria	1973
Carmody M.	Ireland	1973
Cattel W.	United Kingdom	1973
Laurent G.	France	1973
Hoeltzenbein J.	Germany	1974
Klinkmann H.	Germany	1975
Brunner F.	Switzerland	1975
Boen S.T.	The Netherlands	1976
Gelin L.E. †	Sweden	1976
Kerr D.N.S.	United Kingdom	1976
Legrain M.	France	1976
Schutterle G.	Germany	1976
Kock B.	Finland	1977
Bergström J. †	Sweden	1978
Cambi V.	Italy	1978
Kokot F.	Poland	1978
Struyvenberg A.	The Netherlands	1979
Parson V.	United Kingdom	1979
Andreucci V.	Italy	1979
Mion C.	France	1979
Valek A. †	Czech Republic	1980
Ringoir S.	Belgium	1981

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year Started</u>
Taraba I. †	Hungary	1981
D'Amico G.	Italy	1981
Sieberth H.	Germany	1981
Botella J. †	Spain	1982
Cameron J.S.	United Kingdom	1982
Jacobs C.	France	1982
Brynger H.	Sweden	1983
Wing A.J.	United Kingdom	1984
Klinkmann H.	Germany	1984
Cambi V.	Italy	1984
Dal Canton A.	Italy	1984
van Ypersele C.	Belgium	1984
Boen S.T.	The Netherlands	1985
Mery J.P.	France	1985
Taraba I. †	Hungary	1986
Kokot F.	Poland	1987
Bergström J. †	Sweden	1987
Grünfeld J.P.	France	1987
Koch K.M.	Germany	1987
Maiorca R.	Italy	1987
Cordonnier D.	France	1988
Valderrabano F. †	Spain	1988
Brynger H.	Sweden	1989
Zucchelli P.	Italy	1990
Stumvoll H.K.	Austria	1990
Ritz E.	Germany	1990
Papadimitriou M.G.	Greece	1990
Bernheim J.	Israel	1990
Maggiore Q.	Italy	1991
Druet P.	France	1991
Pirson Y.	Belgium	1992
Berthoux F.	France	1993
Kokot F.	Poland	1993
Cannata-Andía J.	Spain	1993
Piccoli G.	Italy	1994
Carrera F.	Portugal	1994
Briggs J.D.	United Kingdom	1994
Fournier A.	France	1995
Pedersen E.B.	Denmark	1995
Davison A.M.	United Kingdom	1996
Schena F.P.	Italy	1996
Sonkodi S.	Hungary	1996
Kessler M.	France	1997
Krediet R.T.	The Netherlands	1997
Piera L.	Spain	1997
Locatelli F.	Italy	1998
Morales J.M.	Spain	1998
De Francisco A.L.M.	Spain	1999
Hörl W.H.	Austria	1999
Wiecek A.	Poland	1999

Nagy J.	Hungary	2000
Vanholder R.	Belgium	2000
Zoccali C.	Italy	2000
Coppo R.	Italy	2001
Floege J.	Germany	2001
Basci A.	Turkey	2002
London G.	France	2002
Olgaard K.	Denmark	2002

CONGRESS PRESIDENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Year</u>
Forminje B.	The Netherlands	1964
Swinney J.	United Kingdom	1965
Traeger J.	France	1966
Thaysen J.H. †	Denmark	1967
Walsh A.	Ireland	1968
Dutz H. †	Germany	1969
Rotellar E. †	Spain	1970
Alwall N. †	Sweden	1971
Migone L. †	Italy	1972
Watschinger B.	Austria	1973
Rosenfeld J.	Israel	1974
Thaysen J.H. †	Denmark	1975
Schutterle G.	Germany	1976
Linstrom B.	Finland	1977
Önen K.	Turkey	1978
Struyvenberg A.	The Netherlands	1979
Valek A. †	Czech Republic	1980
Funk-Bretano J.L. †	France	1981
Botella J. †	Spain	1982
Kerr D.N.S.	United Kingdom	1983
Cambi V.	Italy	1984
Ringoir S.	Belgium	1985
Taraba I. †	Hungary	1986
Kessel M.	Germany	1987
Botella J. †	Spain	1988
Brynger H.	Sweden	1989
Watschinger B.	Austria	1990
Cambi V.	Italy	1991
Jacobs C.	France	1992
Briggs J.D.	United Kingdom	1993
Stummvoll H.K.	Austria	1994
Mountokalakis Th.	Greece	1995
Donker A.J.M.	The Netherlands	1996
Bernheim J.	Switzerland	1997
Zucchelli P.	Italy	1998
Valderrabano F. †	Spain	1999
Berthoux F.	France	2000
Hörl W.H.	Austria	2001

Olgaard K.	Denmark	2002
Ritz E.	Germany	2003
Carrera F.	Portugal	2004

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT, FRANCESCO LOCATELLI

This is my first report as President of the ERA-EDTA. It is an honour for me to be in charge of a position that has been held by men who have done so much to make the Association grow and flourish. One of my predecessors, Julio Botella, passed away on July 6, 2002, just a few days before I started my term. He was President of the ERA-EDTA from 1990 to 1993, but before that he had been a Council Member and then Secretary-Treasurer. He served the Association with great dedication for twelve full years, and to him I wish to pay a special tribute.

The ERA-EDTA has a long history, and many things have changed inside the Association as well as in the world. It is a source of satisfaction and of hopes for the future to see that in this changing world the ERA-EDTA has kept growing: in the number of its members, in the number of people attending the annual congresses, in the success of its journal, but especially, and this is what gives me hopes for the future, it has been growing in new ideas and projects.

A completely new Registry has been created, under the chairmanship of Douglas Briggs. After three years of intense work it now collects the data of fifteen national and regional registries, and it has developed its own website to divulge its results.

For the continuing medical education, the ERA-EDTA has established a European Council for Accreditation in CME in Nephrology, Dialysis and Transplantation, with the duty of evaluating congresses, courses, seminars and other activities for the distribution of UEMS credits. This is due mainly to the efforts of Rosanna Coppo, who has made the subject of CME her mission, since her election to the Council, and who is constantly proposing fresh ideas.

The journal, NDT, was transformed by its previous Editor-in-Chief Eberhard Ritz, and I am happy to see how Tilman Drüeke has managed to maintain the quality level of its contents, and to increase its success under every aspect: a higher impact factor, a constantly growing number of subscriptions, excellent financial results.

The assets of the ERA-EDTA have also been growing, thanks to the innovations made by Vincenzo Cambi some years ago, and carried out after him by Fernando Carrera. Thanks to these former Secretary-Treasurers the Association has reached a financial stability that enables us to consider plans that just a few years ago would have been too ambitious.

The ambitious plans I am referring to include the creation of a fund to finance medical research. This plan is the major new item that we, members of the Council, wish to be added to the Constitution, together with a few other amendments. For this reason the General Assembly of this year will be especially important, and I warmly invite all members to participate and to have their say in such a vital matter. The creation of a fund for medical research will be an important step forward in enlarging the scope of the ERA-EDTA, a change from the circulation of knowledge (not a small task, by the way) to the creation of knowledge.

The creation of an Education Fund is one of the other proposed additions to our Constitution. In this case, the change will not be a major one. In fact it would be just an official ratification of activities that have already begun, and we wish to improve and develop, in number as well as in variety, by giving them more coordination and financial support. I am referring to the seminars and educational courses that in recent years have been organized in several countries of East and Central Europe. Their success has been the basis for our wish to make them grow into a wider project that should not be limited to a few countries, and should be extended to include the entire Europe and the Mediterranean region.

Another educational project of no small importance is the new website, NDT Educational, that has been created just a few months ago, and is growing fast, thanks to the energy and ideas that Carmine Zoccali is putting in it. I am especially happy with this initiative, not only because it is successful, but also because of the efficient way it has been carried out, from the first idea to its actual creation. One of the aspects that give me great hopes for the future of the ERA-EDTA is that there are many people in it who are able to provide new ideas, and to contribute actively to make them real.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Francesco Locatelli". The script is cursive and elegant, with a prominent initial 'F'.

Prof. Francesco Locatelli

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER, JORGE CANNATA-ANDIA

The past year has been a year of changes for the ERA-EDTA. Five new Council members have joined: two ex-officio members - the President and myself - began a new term, together with another three Ordinary Council members: Gérard London (France), Ali Basci (Turkey) and Klaus Olgaard (Denmark). I understand these important changes occurred just when our Association was experiencing an important growth in all areas, including membership and goals, with an aim to fully covering all areas of Nephrology, particularly those which have perhaps been less well-represented in the past, such as basic nephrology, clinical nephrology and hypertension, but without decreasing our presence in the best-represented areas of our Association, such as dialysis and transplantation.

I had the privilege of serving as an Ordinary Council member from 1993 to 1997. In those years, many of the changes we can see today had already begun their inception, mainly the expansion of our Society into the Eastern European countries, led by the hard work and vision of two of our most active and successful former ex-officio members: Professor Vincenzo Cambi and Professor Eberhard Ritz. They worked together to increase the ERA-EDTA's presence in these countries through the organisation of courses and facilitating the membership process; thereby ensuring NDT's and the Association's expansion. The role of Professor Andrzej Wiecek has also been crucial in this achievement. Our former Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Fernando Carrera, continued this important task in close collaboration with our Chief-Controller, Dr. Luis Piera, increasing our presence and improving our financial status. All these initiatives resulted in a three-fold increase in our membership in one decade, signifying tremendous expansion for the ERA-EDTA and its educational activities. The consequent increase of the Association's assets, together with the instability of the financial markets, has now made it necessary for the Council to adopt the safest formulae possible for keeping our funds secure for the future. This has been achieved by putting these funds mainly into bonds, which will allow us to keep enough resources for two main purposes: the Reserve fund to guarantee our Annual Congresses and the Research and Educational fund to ensure our continued growth in this area.

The Registry changes also began in those years, under the presidencies of Professor Jacques Bernheim and Professor François Berthoux, and they were definitively consolidated under the presidency of Professor A. Davison. The combined efforts of the aforementioned Presidents and under the direction of first Professor Fernando Valderrábano and later, Dr. Douglas Briggs, the ERA-EDTA managed to re-organise its Registry, not only in its scientific profile and aims but in forging more mutually beneficial links with other European registries, and also, with Industry.

All these changes that have occurred, mainly in the course of the last decade, have readied our Association to face a new century and to continue to expand throughout all, and outwith, Europe. This has even lead to the expansion of our educational activities into other countries outside Europe, where our prestige has given us the opportunity to extend these activities there. The ERA-EDTA is now committed to broadening the scope of all our educational activities, creating courses that attract both clinical and basic nephrologists. Throughout the last decade, the Council policy in this direction has succeeded in obtaining a three-fold increase in the number of basic abstracts sent to our

meetings, which now represent around 20% of our programme's content. The present Officers of the Council are fully committed to increasing this interaction between clinical and basic nephrology, through both our educational courses and different programmes of Continuous Medical Education and development, which will be led by one of our Council members, Professor Rosanna Coppo.

To adapt the ERA-EDTA to all these changes, we have introduced some administrative and financial modifications throughout this year that will facilitate the management and control of these new initiatives, with an aim to homogenising and harmonising all of the Association's activities. These include new regulations regarding the selection of the ERA-EDTA's courses, regulation of proposals received for courses and the homogenisation and simplification of reimbursement policies.

Moving on to our Journal, in a continuation of previous trends, Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation is not only increasing its scientific impact factor but also its penetration outside Europe. In addition, it has shown a positive financial balance in the past three years. All of these achievements have been possible thanks to our Editor-in-Chief, Professor Tilman Drüeke, and also to the Deputy Editor, Professor N. Lameire. During the first year of my tenure, I have also had the privilege of seeing how well one important new initiative has grown, covering a real gap in Nephrology and managed with outstanding imagination and efficacy; this is the case of our recently launched online resource, NDT-Educational for Kidney and Blood-Pressure Related Disorders. Although it is only one-year old, it has transformed itself into a very useful and practically indispensable tool for the nephrology community. This is thanks to the efforts of Professor Carmine Zoccali, in association with Professor Drüeke, in making two of our scientific and educational activities complimentary, and it is also due to the daily and efficient work and administrative support of Francesca Trebelli from our secretarial team.

Three very active and positive Council members will leave the Council in Berlin: Professor C. Zoccali (Italy), Professor R. Vanholder (Belgium) and Professor J. Nagy (Hungary), but they will not leave the ERA-EDTA's initiative and growth behind them, as Professor Zoccali will now chair our Registry in the coming three years, and Professor Vanholder will co-chair, together with our President, one of our other important initiatives: the production of European Guidelines.

My final words are for the whole secretarial team of the ERA-EDTA, nowadays with bases throughout Europe, with main administrative office being in Parma, Italy. All the team have shown a great capacity to adapt themselves to the growth of our Association, to its initiatives, to the changes in policy introduced by the different ex-officio members and also to huge challenges such as this year's World Congress. They are always prepared to meet all our needs and all our challenges. When one of our most active former Secretary-Treasurers, Professor Vincenzo Cambi, decided to create a professional team to run the Association, he succeeded in selecting a group of people which is now fully involved in the continual progression of our Association. They have played a key role in making our Congresses profitable and they deal with many issues to ensure the smooth running of the Association. Due to their seniority, I would like to mention Anna Maria Manara, head of the team, Monica Fontana, responsible for the membership office, and Silvia Menoni, who this year has been fully engaged in the great enterprise that is the World Congress' programme. I wish to also thank our staff in the NDT editorial office in Paris, all the European Renal Association staff, and the administrative help I have as Secretary-Treasurer in Oviedo from Francesca Pieraccini.

The first year of my tenure has been very busy and it has almost flown by. I must say that I have worked hard but I was very gratified to find such productive interaction and cooperation between all Council members, especially by Professor Locatelli, who has been outstanding in presiding over the Association and chairing the Council and keeping the cordial atmosphere needed for agreeable working conditions.

Prof. Jorge B. Cannata Andía

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EUROPEAN RENAL ASSOCIATION -
EUROPEAN DIALYSIS AND TRANSPLANT ASSOCIATION

DRAFT STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(including Income and Expenditure Account)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

	Draft 2002 Total unrestricted funds Euro	Draft 2001 Total unrestricted funds Euro
Incoming resources		
Voluntary		
Donations	-	1,200,000.00
Charitable activities		
Gross congress proceeds receivable	1,835,451.68	1,570,882.80
Membership fees	502,863.47	475,080.64
Grants received - Registry	133,079.70	-
Contributions to Guidelines	30,980.88	-
Journal on Nephrology, Dialysis & Transplantation	484,958.85	233,520.31
Leo's contribution to congress	33,506.69	-
Investment income		
Income from investments	8,744.75	13,217.35
Interest from bank accounts	564.12	2,238.34
Other incoming resources		
Currency exchange gains	13,780.14	23,489.95
Items to be allocated	9,049.77	-
Total Incoming Resources	<u>3,052,980.05</u>	<u>3,518,429.39</u>
Resources expended		
Costs of generating funds		
Promotional activities	<u>28,492.57</u>	<u>19,515.45</u>
Investment management fees	<u>3,141.11</u>	<u>21,970.42</u>
	<u>31,633.68</u>	<u>41,485.87</u>
Charitable expenditure		
Direct	<u>2,322,472.81</u>	<u>1,476,372.35</u>
Management and administration	<u>297,986.87</u>	<u>249,735.86</u>
Total charitable expenditure	<u>2,620,459.68</u>	<u>1,726,108.21</u>
Total Resources expended	<u>2,652,093.36</u>	<u>1,767,594.08</u>
Net incoming resources for the year		
Net income for the year	400,886.69	1,750,835.31
Gains and losses on:		
Investment asset disposals	<u>(409,590.09)</u>	<u>(9,123.40)</u>
Investment assets revaluation	<u>(67,179.25)</u>	<u>(248,485.66)</u>
	<u>(476,769.34)</u>	<u>(257,609.06)</u>
Net movement in funds for the year	(75,882.65)	1,493,226.25
Currency gains on translation into Euro	-	-
Balance b/ fwd 1 January 2002	<u>4,268,175.53</u>	<u>2,774,949.28</u>
Balance c/ fwd at 31 December 2002	<u>4,192,292.88</u>	<u>4,268,175.53</u>

THE ABOVE ARE DRAFT FIGURES PRODUCED ON 27 MAY 2003, AND ARE YET TO INCLUDE THE DONATION RECEIVABLE FROM ITS SUBSIDIARY COMPANY 'ERA EURO CONGRESS LIMITED.'

EUROPEAN RENAL ASSOCIATION -
EUROPEAN DIALYSIS AND TRANSPLANT ASSOCIATION

DRAFT BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2002

	Draft 2002 Euro	<i>Draft 2001</i> <i>Euro</i>
Fixed assets		
Tangible fixed assets	6,973.47	7,274.85
Listed investments	<u>1,150,801.52</u>	<u>1,843,955.29</u>
	<u>1,157,774.99</u>	<u>1,851,230.14</u>
Current assets		
Debtors	1,172,279.87	1,817,037.87
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>2,229,157.92</u>	<u>1,023,600.07</u>
	<u>3,401,437.79</u>	<u>2,840,637.94</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	<u>366,919.90</u>	<u>423,692.55</u>
Net current assets	<u>4,192,292.88</u>	<u>2,416,945.39</u>
Total assets less liabilities	<u>4,192,292.88</u>	<u>4,268,175.53</u>
Accumulated capital & funds		
Unrestricted	<u>4,192,292.88</u>	<u>4,268,175.53</u>

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ERA EUROCONGRESS LIMITED

DRAFT PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

	Draft 2002 £	2001 £
TURNOVER	2,386,789	840,571
Cost of sales	<u>(271,154)</u>	<u>(199,633)</u>
GROSS PROFIT	2,115,635	640,938
Administrative expenses	<u>109,677</u>	<u>(28,492)</u>
OPERATING PROFIT	2,225,312	612,446
EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS		
Other exceptional items (gift to charity)	<u>-</u>	<u>(732,840)</u>
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2,225,312	(120,394)
TAX ON PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>22,116</u>
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	<u>2,225,312</u>	<u>(98,278)</u>

DRAFT BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

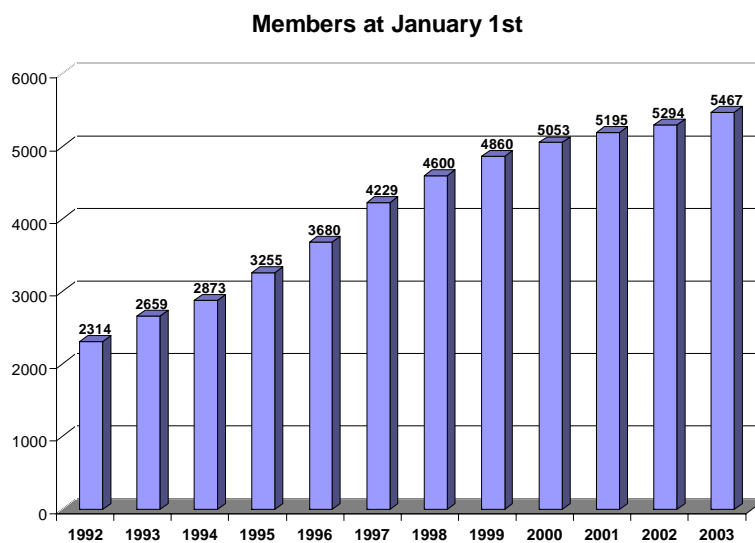
	Draft 2002 £	2001 £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	722,449	241,969
Cash at Bank	<u>1,845,983</u>	<u>825,098</u>
	2,568,432	1,067,067
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	<u>(85,342)</u>	<u>(809,289)</u>
	<u>2,483,090</u>	<u>257,778</u>
	<u>2,483,090</u>	<u>257,778</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		
Called up share capital	3	3
Profit and loss account	<u>2,483,087</u>	<u>257,775</u>
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	<u>2,483,090</u>	<u>257,778</u>

THE ABOVE ARE DRAFT FIGURES PRODUCED ON 27 MAY 2003, AND ARE YET TO INCLUDE THE DONATION PAYABLE TO ITS HOLDING ENTITY 'EUROPEAN RENAL ASSOCIATION-EUROPEAN DIALYSIS AND TRANSPLANT ASSOCIATION', AND ANY CORPORATION TAX ARISING ON THE RESULTS OF THE YEAR.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF-CONTROLLER, LUIS PIERA

1) MEMBERSHIP

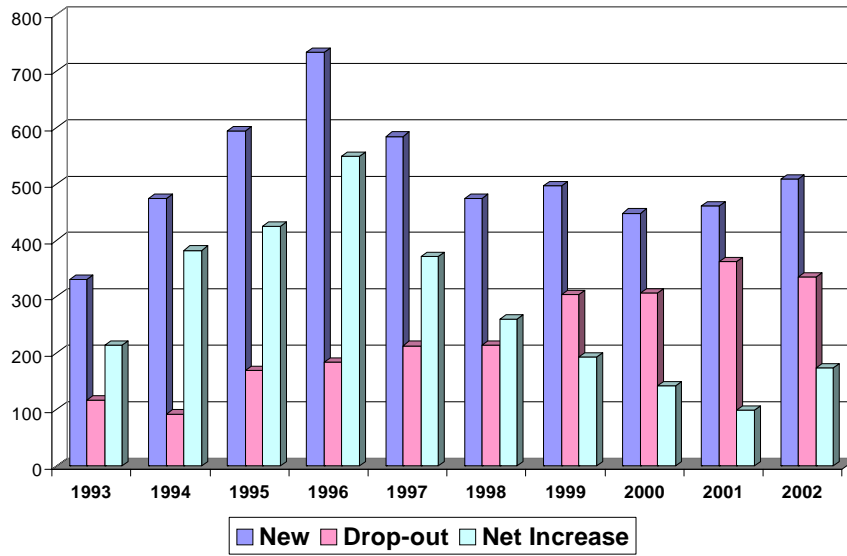
At the beginning of 2003, we had reached the figure of 5467, with 508 new members being accepted and 335 leaving the Association in the year 2002, thereby showing a net increase of 173 for the year, 75% up on the figure for 2001, which is an encouraging sign. In the first graph we can appreciate the growth of the Association over the last 12 years. Membership has been steadily rising and now stands at well over double the figure for 1992.



MEMBERSHIP TURNOVER				
Year	New Members	Drop-out	Drop-out %	Net Increase
1992	412	67	2,5%	345
1993	330	116	3,9%	214
1994	474	92	2,7%	382
1995	594	169	4,4%	425
1996	733	184	4,2%	549
1997	584	213	4,4%	371
1998	474	214	4,2%	260
1999	496	303	5,7%	193
2000	448	306	5,6%	142
2001	461	362	6,4%	99
2002	508	335	5,8%	173

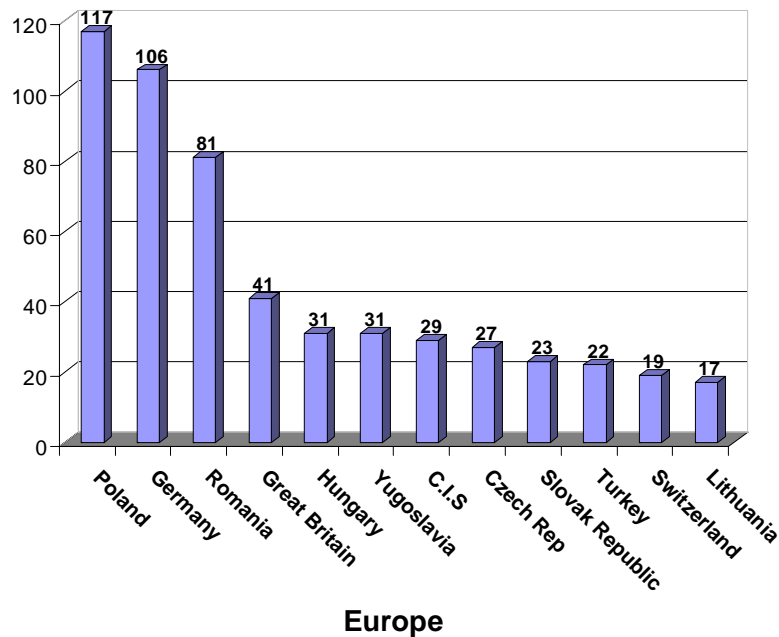
We can appreciate from the above chart and the following graph that although net increase slowed up somewhat from 1997 to 2001, the year 2002 saw a sudden upward trend.

New Members and Cancellations

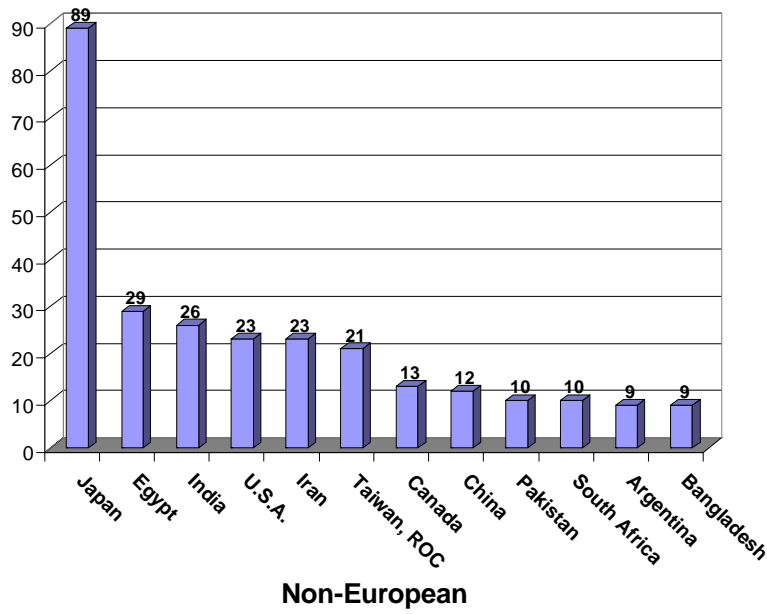


If we consider our performance in individual countries over the last five years, we can see that Poland, Germany and Romania are the European countries that have shown the greatest net increase in this period. Of the non-European countries, there has been a substantial rise in membership numbers from Japan, and also a significant increase in number of members joining from Egypt, India, the United States, Iran and Taiwan.

MEMBERSHIP - 5-YEAR NET INCREASE

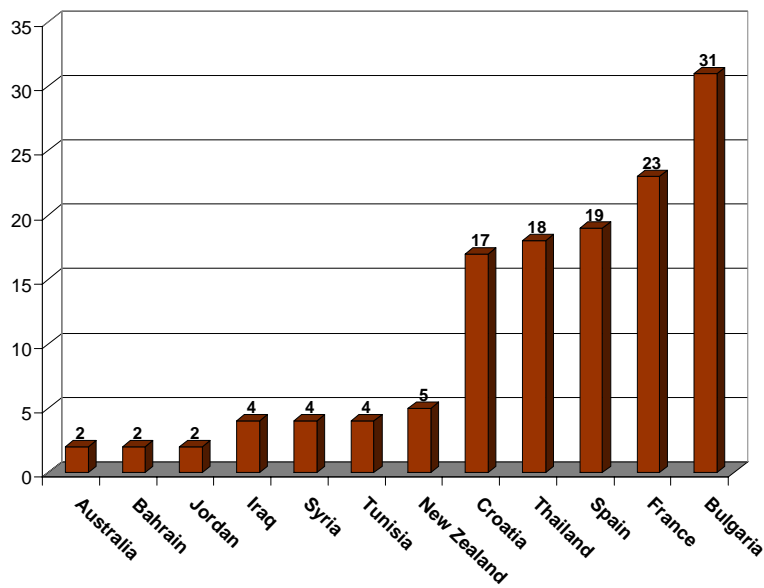


MEMBERSHIP - 5-YEAR NET INCREASE



There are however some countries where the number of members has actually decreased over the last five years, with Bulgaria, France, Spain, Thailand and Croatia having lost quite a significant number of members.

MEMBERSHIP - 5-YEAR NET DECREASE



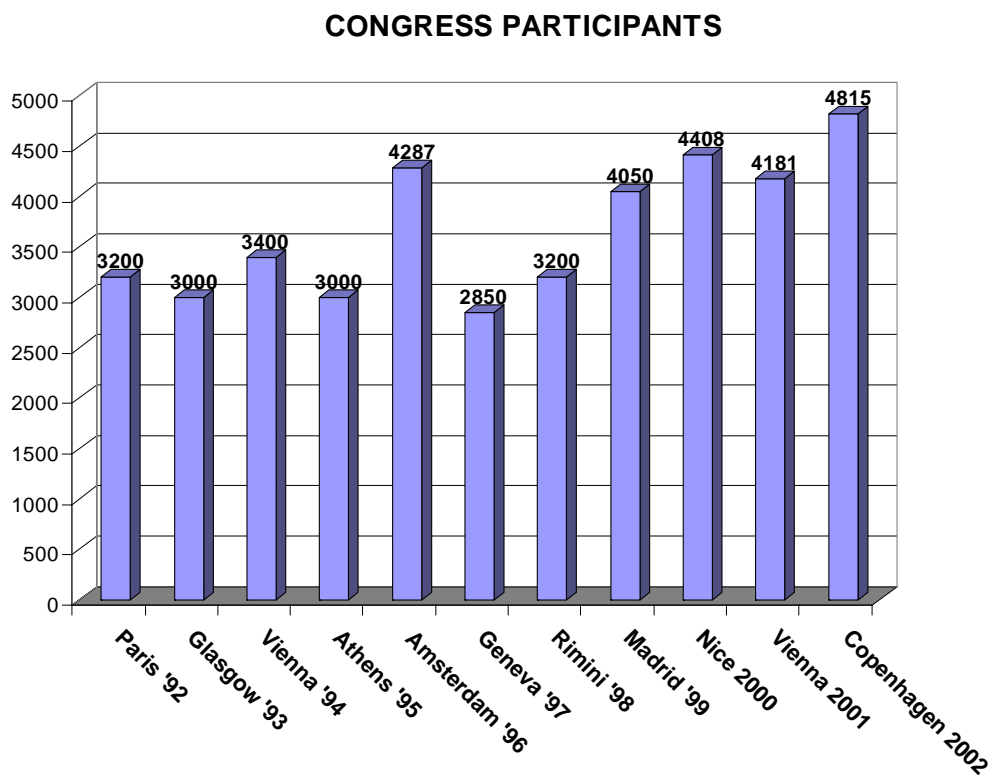
2) SENIOR MEMBERSHIP AND ON-LINE ONLY MEMBERSHIP

Seven members were awarded the status of Senior Member in the year 2002, with the total figure at the end of the year standing at 91.

The popularity of on-line only membership continued throughout 2002, with 458 members choosing this option, which represents 10% of the total.

3) ANNUAL CONGRESS

Participation in the Copenhagen Congress was the highest in the history of the Association, with 4815 delegates taking part. Previously the best-attended congresses had been Nice, (4408), and Amsterdam, (4287). In the following graph, we can see the attendance of the last eleven congresses.



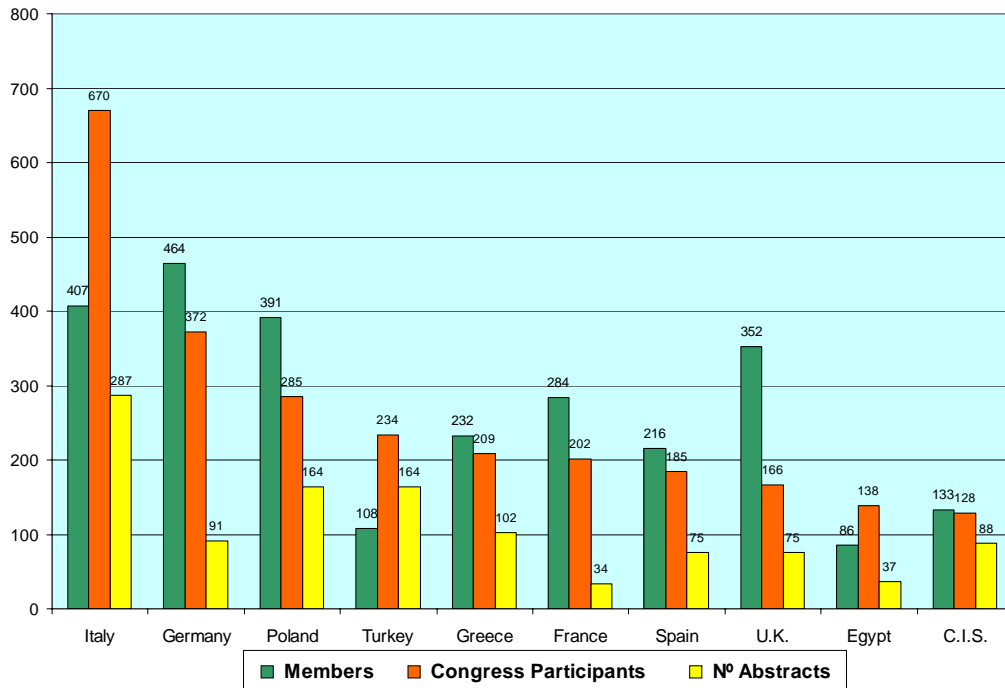
Registration distribution by category (early, late and on-site for both members and non-members) showed similar trends to that of the Vienna Congress. The number of delegates registering early is similar to the three previous congresses, whereas on-site registration last year showed a considerable increase. The percentage of non-members attending continues to rise and at Copenhagen constituted 71% of all the delegates at the Congress.

A considerable percentage of delegates attending found sponsorship from companies, reaching a figure of 81% of all attendees. A greater percentage of non-members found sponsorship compared to members. (86% versus 70%).

The following graph shows a breakdown of the level of participation (ranked in order of congress attendance) of the ten most active countries in the Congress, taking into account number of members, congress participants and submitted abstracts. If we compare these

figures with those from Vienna, the following observations can be made. Attendance from C.I.S., Spain, the U.K. and Greece was notably higher than in Vienna. Overall, compared to Vienna, Asian countries sent more delegates, whereas attendance from other parts of the world was similar. With regard to abstract submission, a total of 1780 abstracts were submitted compared to 1527 at the Vienna Congress. Nearly all the countries shown in the graph submitted substantially more abstracts, with only Turkey, France and C.I.S. showing a decrease. Of other countries not appearing in this chart, Iran, Finland, Canada and Denmark submitted significantly more abstracts than in Vienna.

COPENHAGEN 2002 - Participation by Country



Dr. Luis Piera



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39TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Copenhagen, Denmark - Tuesday, July 16, 2002

MINUTES

01. Opening

The President of the Association announced that prior to closing the voting for the three Council vacancies, any full member who had yet to vote could do so before the General Assembly commenced. The voting was closed and the 39th General Assembly began at 15.00 hours. The President welcomed everyone and apologised for the lateness of the 2001 Annual Report, which was distributed at the Assembly. In view of this fact, points 02 and 03 were not discussed.

04. Report of the President of the ERA-EDTA: A. M. Davison

The President began by speaking of the great loss felt by all at the sad deaths of Fernando Valderrábano, Julio Botella and Jonas Bergstrom. He reminded all present that this was the last General Assembly of his presidency, and Fernando Carrera's last as Secretary-Treasurer of the association. Although sad to be leaving the Council and all his great friends, he felt content to know that he was leaving matters in very capable hands. He highlighted the following from his report.

- i. The increased scientific quality and the resulting positive feedback of this year's congress. He praised the outstanding efforts of Klaus Olgaard, Bo Feldt-Rasmussen, Anita Aperia, Soren Sorensen and the Scientific Committee. He looked forward to an equally high standard in Berlin next year.
- ii. The new, positive and proactive developments within the association, in particular the e-journal, the CME committee and the liaison with UEMS.
- iii. The quality, strength and validity of the Registry presentations. He sincerely praised the strenuous work of Douglas Briggs and the AMC team for achieving so much in such a short time.
- iv. The continuing excellence of NDT under Tilman Drüeke and Norbert Lameire. He finished by thanking everybody who worked together to ensure the smooth and efficient running of the ERA-EDTA. These included not only council members but Vincenzo Cambi, the Advisor to the Council, and all of the Parma secretarial support team.

05. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer of the ERA-EDTA: F. Carrera

The Secretary-Treasurer began by praising the contribution of A. M. Davison and Vincenzo Cambi to the ERA-EDTA: the first as President and the second as Secretary-Treasurer and

Advisor.

Turning to finances, he emphasised that the Association's assets had grown over the last ten years, and the situation for 2001 was: gross income – 3,518,429, expenditure – 1767,594 with a net balance of 1,750,835. The figures given are all in Euros.

F. Carrera finished by lauding the healthy financial status of NDT under T. B. Drüeke, and the development of the ERA-EDTA's educational programme in Eastern Europe now spearheaded by A Wiecek. He mentioned particularly the new improved Registry, with its growing reputation and thanked J. D. Briggs and all of his AMC co-workers. Praise was also due to L. Piera for his work with the membership. Finally, he reminded those present that the 2000, 2001 and 2002 congresses had seen an increased participation and scientific level, which was the result of a dedicated team of people supporting the individual Presidents. He felt confident in handing over to Jorge Cannata, and glad to know that his successor was inheriting a healthy and stable financial situation.

06. Report of the Chief-Controller of the ERA-EDTA: L. Piera

The Chief-Controller highlighted the salient points of his report; namely that 2001 saw a total of 5294 members, and a net increase of 99. Over the last four years Poland, Germany, Japan and Romania have provided the greatest number of new members from individual countries, while Spain and France have experienced a reduction.

07. Report of the Chairman of the Paper Selection Committee: J. Floege

This year saw the highest ever number of abstracts received: 1780. They were reviewed by a team of 137 reviewers – an average of 4 per abstract – from all over Europe. There is an overall score ranging from 0-10. 5.0 or above is the score for acceptance. 1219 were accepted, giving a rate of 68% to the Copenhagen congress, bringing it in line with Vienna. Of those 1219, 162 were selected for oral presentation. Although the majority is now submitted electronically, for Berlin this will be the only means of submission.

In response to a question from the floor, the figures of abstracts received in Nice – 1732 – and Vienna – 1580 – were quoted.

08. Report of the Chairman of the Registry: J. D. Briggs

A new contract was signed between the ERA-EDTA and the AMC in 2002 and will run to 2006. The AMC team consists of four full-time members and three part-time. They work extremely professionally and efficiently and can be judged by the sheer quality of the abstracts presented. The data is increasing, along with the number of affiliated registries. The website is almost launched. 50% of the costs are covered by industry while 50% are supported by the ERA-EDTA.

The President praised the quality of the Registry presentations and the sterling work of J. D. Briggs and his team.

09. Report of the NDT Editor-in-Chief: T. B. Drüeke

Here, the main point was that the Impact factor now stands at 2.4. The Editor-in-Chief thanked all of his reviewers. He announced that the long struggle with the electronic submissions system was now over and the system was fully operational. The financial picture was rosy.

The President praised the efforts of T. B. Drüeke and his editorial team.

10. Election of three Ordinary Council Members

At the Copenhagen General Assembly the following three new Ordinary Council Members were elected: Ali Basci (Turkey); Gérard London (France) and Klaus Olgaard (Denmark).

11. Correspondence and other business

There was no other business.

12. Date and venue of the next meeting

The 40th General Assembly will be held in Berlin, Germany, June 2003. The exact date, time and place of the meeting will be communicated in due time to all members.

13. Closure

The President reminded everyone that the 2003 Congress would be a joint meeting with the ISN, ESPN and the two German Nephrological Societies. He reiterated that it would be a 'festival of nephrology' and how much he was looking forward to it and hoped to see everyone there.

He thanked all the Association's members, the ERA-EDTA officers and the admin staff in Copenhagen who had supported the Parma team. The ceremonial chain was officially handed over to Francesco Locatelli.

The General Assembly closed at 16.10 hours.

A. M. Davison
President ERA-EDTA

F. Carrera
Secretary-Treasurer ERA-EDTA



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40th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday June 10th, 2003

7.30 am -8.30 am

Hall 3, International Congress Centre
Berlin, Germany

Agenda

01. Opening
02. Minutes of the 39th General Assembly, Copenhagen, July 16th, 2002
03. Matters arising from the minutes
04. Report of the President of the ERA-EDTA, F. Locatelli
05. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer of the ERA-EDTA, J.B. Cannata-Andía
06. Modifications to the Constitution of the ERA-EDTA¹
Resolution proposed by Honorary Member Stanley Shaldon: **“The General Assembly is opposed to any name change of the ERA-EDTA”**
07. Report of the Chief-Controller of the ERA-EDTA, L. Piera
08. Report of the Chairman of the Paper Selection Committee, J. Floege
09. Report of the Chairman of the Registry, J. D. Briggs
10. Report of the NDT Editor-in-Chief, T.B. Drüeke
11. Reconfirmation of F. Locatelli for the second year of his term as President
12. Election of Chairman of the Registry
13. Election of Ordinary Council Members (three vacancies)²
14. Correspondence and other business
15. Date and venue of the next meeting

16. Closure

¹ See Appendix regarding the Constitution on page 26.

Members are kindly requested to see a copy of the revised Constitution on our website (www.era-edta.org). Any suggestions are very welcome and should be addressed directly to the President (nefrologia@ospedale.lecco.it).

² There are three vacancies. The following candidates have been proposed to the Secretary-Treasurer: Adrian Covic (Romania), Kai-Uwe Eckardt (Germany), Peter Furness (United Kingdom), Vladimir Tesar (Czech Republic), Dimitri Tsakiris (Greece).

All full members of ERA-EDTA will be able to vote for maximum 3 candidates for Council, from 08.00-18.30 hours on Monday, June 9 2003, at the Voting Station in the registration area. In order to vote you must present a valid personal document (i.e. passport). A short curriculum of each candidate will be displayed at the Voting Station. If some full members still have not voted, they still have the right to vote immediately before the General Assembly starts, in the same hall in which the assembly will be held.

Appendix to Agenda: Modifications to the Constitution

Chapter I: Name, purpose and legal representation

Clause 01*

**A secret ballot has been requested if this motion is passed by a show of hands.*

Clause 03

Clause 04

Chapter II: Membership of the Association

Clause 01

Clause 02

Clause 03

Clause 04

Clause 05

Clause 06

Clause 08

Clause 09 (New Insertion)

Chapter III: Administration of the Association

Clause 01

Chapter IV: General Assembly

Clause 02

Clause 04

Clause 07

Clause 08

Clause 09

Clause 10

Clause 12

Chapter V: the Council

Clause 03

Clause 04

Clause 05

Clause 09

Clause 10

Chapter VI: Appointment of the ordinary members of the Council

Clause 02

Clause 03

Chapter VII: Appointment of the *ex-officio* members of the Council

Clause 01

Clause 03

Clause 04

Clause 06

Clause 07

Clause 08 (deleted)

Chapter VIII: President of the Association

Clause 02

Clause 03

Clause 05

Chapter IX: The Secretary-Treasurer

Clause 04

Clause 05
Clause 06
Clause 09
Clause 11

Chapter X: The Chief Controller

The entire chapter has been modified.

(Chapter XI: The Chief Executive Officer)

This chapter had been deleted. The following Chapters will be renumbered to reflect this.

Chapter XI (formerly XII): Property

Clause 03

Chapter XII: Education and Research Funds ** Insertion**

This is a new Chapter containing 4 clauses.

Chapter XIII: The Reserve Fund

Clause 03 (Removed. The later clauses will be renumbered to reflect this)

Clause 03 (formally 04)

Clause 04 (formally 05)

Clause 05 (formally 06)

Clause 06 (formally 07)

Chapter XIV: The Subsidiary Company

Clause 01

Clause 02 (New insertion, with renumbering of subsequent clauses)

Clause 03 (formally 02)

Clause 04 (formally 03)

Clause 05 (formally 04)

Chapter XV: Annual Report and annual return

Clause 01

Chapter XVI: Official Journal of the Association

Clause 01

Clause 04

Clause 07 (New insertion)

Chapter XVII: The Registry

This Chapter has been completely rewritten and now contains 8 clauses as opposed to the original 11.

Chapter XVIII: Congress

Clause 02 (New insertion, with renumbering of subsequent clauses)

Clause 03 (formally 02)

Clause 04 (formally 03)

Clause 05 (formally 04)

Clause 06 (formally 05)

Chapter XIX: Final and General Rules

This Chapter is unchanged.

Chapter XX Governing law and jurisdiction

This Chapter is unchanged.



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