



Minutes of the DFSG Business Meeting 2024

Room Valentia B+C, Melia Hotel, Valencia, Spain

September 7th 2024, 18:15-18:50

1. DFSG Chairperson Nikolaos Papanas welcomed the DFSG members.
2. Minutes of the last Business Meeting: The members approved the minutes from the last Business Meeting held 17th September 2022 in Bratislava.
3. DFSG 2024 and DFSG organisation finances were presented by DFSG treasurer Roberto Anichini. The result of the DFSG 2024 is positive and the participant numbers are 236. The organisation's economy is good.
4. The DFSG executive committee suggests to re-phrase the officers' titles in the DFSG statutes, from "man" to "person". The DFSG members approved the alteration of the statutes.
5. DFSG 2025 will take place in Prague, Czech Republic, 12-14 September in collaboration with the Czech Podiatric Society, who will have their annual meeting 11th September.
6. Update from the 2 DFSG Research Groups:
Prevention of the first Ulcer project: The group has regular meetings, 2 published papers and 2 papers in draft.
Charcot Foot Research Group: Has regular meetings, 3 members stepped out and 2 new members joined in June 2024.
7. DFSG executive election and status:
5 members stepped down, 1 was up for re-election.
The leaving members were thanked for their contribution to the DFSG:
 - Nikolaos Papanas, Greece, Chairperson
 - Esther Garcia-Morales, Spain
 - Sicco Bus, the Netherlands
 - Enrico Brocco, Italy



- Prash Vas, UK, on election

7 candidates had announced their candidature for the DFSG executive committee. One candidate was not present during the meeting and could therefore not be elected.

The DFSG members cast their votes, and the following members were elected for a 3-year-period:

- Vladimíra Fejfarová, Czech Republic
- Elisabetta Iacopi, Italy
- Mateo Lopez-Moral, Spain
- Marco Meloni, Italy
- Prash Vas, United Kingdom

From September 2024, Anna Trocha is the new DFSG chairperson, José Luis Lazaro-Martinez is the new vice chairperson.

The full executive committee from September 2024 is:

- Anna Trocha, Germany, Chairperson
- José Luis Lázaro Martínez, Spain, Vice-chairperson
- Fran Game, UK, Scientific Secretary
- Roberto Anichini, Italy, Treasurer
- Vladimíra Fejfarová, Czech Republic
- Elisabetta Iacopi, Italy
- Mateo Lopez-Moral, Spain
- Marco Meloni, Italy
- Prash Vas, United Kingdom

8. Chairperson Anna Trocha closed the DFSG 2024 business meeting.