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Dear EMS members,

Last month, the international meeting organized by the ISFM (IMC20), was held in Busan, South Korea. The congress was of a very high quality, with lots of participants, a substantial number of excellent scientific contributions, and a very exciting and pleasant atmosphere. At the meeting, several activities were organized by the EMS. The Executive Board met and discussed various urgent matters of the society. The following day, a symposium was held to commemorate the 25 years of existence of the EMS.

In the symposium, Prof. Wolfgang Baumeister (Martinsried, Germany) gave short historical accounts of the birth of EMS, and Prof. Johan Verbeeck (Antwerp, Belgium) presented his research.

During the symposium, the EMS Outstanding Paper Awards (OPA) 2022 winners also presented their work and received their awards. Finally, the General Assembly was held at the Congress. Regular matters that included the presidential report, budget, updates on EMC 2024, Sponsored Events and other activity prospects were discussed and approved. Of note, a total of 20 scholarships of 800 € have been awarded to students from different countries to participate to this meeting.

For next year, the call for applications for EMS Sponsored Events for the first half of the year (January till June 2024) has been launched, whose deadline was on September 30th 2023. The applications will be revised by the board and the final decision will be announced in the next news. This financial support from the EMS ensures that also these smaller events, often organized in the form of a school or a course, can invite top scientists to lecture our coming generations of microscopists.

You may have now received the 2022 EMS Yearbook. We hope that you have enjoyed reading the reports on the various activities of our society, affiliated societies and EMS members, on the microscopy events from the past year. The 2022 EMS Yearbook includes reports written by students who received a scholarship, special events announced by EMS members and new reports from National Societies that shared with us their activities and events.

In the coming weeks, material for the 2023 EMS Yearbook will be gathered at the secretarial office, including reports from IMC20, EMS Sponsored Events and EMS lectures, EMS scholarships, etc. You are welcome to send us your reports if you have organized or are aware of a particular event which you feel relevant for the European Microscopy Community (awards, special anniversaries, ...). Please send us a short text with one or two pictures, so that they can be included (in case we receive too many requests, some of them will be placed on the corresponding pages of the EMS website).

As usual, the EMS continues with its support to the activities of our members, so please have a look at our webpage (http://www.eurmicsoc.org/en/) for news and announcements on the various meetings, workshops and events that will take place over the next year.

Any suggestions and ideas for future newsletters are welcome at sec@eurmicsoc.org