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Dear EMS member,

Good news from the EMS Board Meeting in Basel: EMS has a positive budgetary balance so at present we don't need a raise in membership fees! Also, our Treasurer has installed a new internet based payment system allowing individual members with no national membership to pay their 25 Euro with no extra costs (local societies pay only 5 Euro per member).

By April 16, most personal log-ins and passwords to enter the on-line EMS database have been sent to the individual EMS members. Every member can now perform personal address updates, changes in privacy preferences (e-mail, searches, yearbook, ...), check professional data on fellow EMS members, etc. National secretaries can add and remove members during the entire year, include payment history, add remarks, etc. This will allow us to avoid the annual and time-consuming update of local membership databases and thus constantly have access to the most recent data, which, for example, is crucial in deciding on EMS scholarships. If you did not receive your personal login, please do contact us at secr@eurmicsoc.org.

By the time you read this the abstract submission deadline for the 17th International Microscopy Congress (www.imc-17.com) in Rio de Janeiro is likely to have passed. At the previous EMS Board meeting it was decided to offer several EMS scholarships of 500 Euro each for young members of our society. A few days later, Jeol added ten extra scholarships, for which we are very grateful. At the same EMS Board meeting, it was decided to select two EMS Extensions for 2010. The first is Scandem in Stockholm from June 8 to 10, the second Microscience 2010 at Excel (London) from June 28 to July 1. In total, 15 EMS scholarships are reserved for young researchers to attend these meetings. The annual EMS General Assembly will be held on Tuesday June 29 at Microscience (please reserve this date, detailed information will be distributed shortly).

For the second half of 2010, five more sponsored events have been selected. Lecturers at the "4th CIMST Interdisciplinary Summer School on Bio-medical Imaging" and the "EELS/EFTEM Meeting 2010" in Zurich, Switzerland, the "XXI International Symposium of Morphological Sciences (ISMS)" in Taormina, Sicily, the "2nd EMBO Practical Course on 3D Developmental Imaging" (Oeiras, Portugal) and the "Nano-molecular analysis for emerging technologies IV" in Teddington, UK will be sponsored by EMS.

During the week of IMC17, the venue for IMC18 in 2014 will be selected. At the EMS General Council during the 2009 EMS Extension in Graz, it was concluded to support the Prague bid (see also Newsletter 28). The Prague bid committee has already opened a website at www.imc2014.com and distributed promotional material to all European national and regional societies. In Rio, a Czech delegation will present Prague as the European destination for IMC18.

We look forward to seeing you at one of the many meetings in 2010 sponsored by EMS.

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