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Look at the Guidelines!

Dear Members,

Next year the Consensus Committee will re-write the guidelines. This will be a very big job! And it also will need a lot of time when there are only a few people who do this. So the question is: Please have a look at the guidelines and let the committee know what they have to change. Or better: Submit online to take place in the Consensus Committee and do it together!
A lot of people together, will make the job much smaller.
If you don't want to participate in the Committee, please still be aware of any emails from them! They need your feedback during the next year. Finally; if possible, please fill in this excel file.

SOSORT Katowice: A Big Success

Dear SOSORT Members,

Our annual meeting in Katowice has just finished, and I want to congratulate all of you for the major success of this event. The scientific quality of the meeting was probably the highest we ever had in our meeting, and this depends on you and your active participation. We are growing up, attracting more researchers and more clinicians, becoming stronger and spreading the knowledge about the orthopedic and rehabilitative treatment of scoliosis around the world. For the next year we have a main target, that is reaching the Impact Factor for "Scoliosis Journal and Spinal Disorders", that, as you know, is our own journal, successfully led so far by Dr Theo Grivas. It would be great to have the contribution of all of you with original papers so to increase the number of publications. This would really help a lot! I would also like you to write me for specific suggestions you have for the Society, some further goal that we can plan to achieve during the next 1-2 years. I mean something very practical and crucial for the SOSORT, but also something feasible. According to your suggestion it will be my work to realize it. Thank you once again for your support and the for having given to me the chance to serve once again the Society as the President. That's a big honour for me.

Best regards

Fabio Zaina
SOSORT President



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SOSORT Meeting next year
2016

May 25-28, 2016

**SOSORT-IRSSD
Combined Conference**
*Banff National Park,
Canada*

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& Committees

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Say Hello and Goodbye



Members who will say goodbye to the board:

- Michele Romano
- Joe O'Brien

New members of the board are:

- Jacek Durmala
- Angelo Aulisa

And the new president will be:

- Fabio Zaina

In the next Newsletter they will introduce themselves and speak about their about their job roles within SOSORT.

Become a Member!

Dear Scoliosis expert,

During the last decade it became harder and harder to find a congress of good quality that focuses on conservative treatment of scoliosis according to scientific data. The best international meetings become progressively devoted to surgery. No more room for conservative management, no chance to have a paper accepted. No way to make the conservative treatment change from being expert-opinion based becoming evidence based. Nevertheless, people are demanding conservative treatment, and they want it to be effective and EBM. So, what should we do? This was the question raised by a group of people deeply involved in scoliosis conservative treatment, both physician, physiotherapists and CPO, but also aware of the necessity to increase research in this field. And the answer has been to create a new society, a group where to discuss, where to grow up and make research together.

This is how SOSORT was born in 2004, the Society on Scoliosis Orthopaedic and Rehabilitation treatment, during a meeting held in Barcelona. Just a few people, at that time, but with a clear idea, a dream and the willingness to realize it. Now, seven years passed, and SOSORT has grown up. During the 2011 meeting, held again in Barcelona, it reached a significant goal, increasing the number of members to more than 100, including people from all around the world! A great result, for those people who have devoted themselves to this

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project.

Now SOSORT is a place for all those who want to transform the conservative treatment in EBM. A place where, also those who are not researchers can learn, can discuss, can improve. Do you think this has a value? I think so. And that's why I would like to invite you to join us to grow up professionally together. If we want to continue to have a place for all these things, we need to support this project, and make SOSORT grow up and continue to exist.

As we grow we see increasing interest from all the professionals of conservative treatment, and also from patients, who are an active part of the Society since the very beginning. SOSORT has achieved important objectives, and provides great opportunities for all the professionals:

- An **annual meeting**, where we can discuss face to face and develop new projects together and new relationships.
- The "**Scoliosis Journal and Spinal Disorders**", an open access peer reviewed journal, where we can collect the main papers on the topic and make them free for all those who are interested.
- **Clinical guidelines, totally Evidenced-Based**, to help with clinical decisions, which are now close to their second edition.
- A **Website**, where we can collect all the material related to the Society.
- A **Newsletter**, where we can easily find the main updates.
- An **instructional book** about the clinical management of scoliosis, from evaluation to treatment.
- An **Award**, in recognition of the most relevant researches in the field of scoliosis conservative treatment.

Don't you think these are great reasons to join SOSORT? If you agree, join SOSORT now! If you don't, then you should join SOSORT to help us achieve new objectives according to your suggestions!

Sabrina Donzelli & Petra Feistritzer-Gröbl
Membership Committee

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