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Abstract

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Following IUPS's strategy to improve and intensify communication with national physiological societies, the IUPS President Julie Chan, assisted by the Secretary-General Ulrich Pohl, had a video meeting with Linda Samuelson, the APS President and Scott Steen the secretary and executive director of APS. The results of this meeting were discussed by ExCo. It was emphasized that especially APS has an international character with more than 30 % of membership from abroad. IUPS thinks that even such "internationally oriented" societies can benefit from IUPS. IUPS, not being limited by geography or politics, has different opportunities than any national society. Thus, IUPS could take the lead in drafting consensus papers, position papers, and fostering initiatives for the collection of physiological data and modeling. In the meeting between APS and IUPS, it was agreed that both sides should develop concrete projects together and IUPS discussed the priority of various initiatives. One initiative that should be followed up is the idea of IUPS to announce an "International Physiology Year", tying together the large physiology meetings taking place working on new attendance of physiological meetings. These include IUPS-2022, Europhysiology, and the new APS meeting, followed by FAOPS Congress and Pan-American meeting. He said one of the goals of the initiative was to get attendees from other medical societies.

- Furthermore, it was discussed whether the new membership dues structure should be extended to better address the situation of national societies who have very little income.
- The revised contract for the Beijing Congress was discussed and approved. Revisions from IUPS side relate to IUPS matching funds from the Rio Congress for Travel Awards, and the number of supported plenary and keynote speakers.
- It was also stated that the GA had achieved quorum, and the measure to extend terms of office one year had been passed unanimously.
- It was announced that the New Webpage will be soon sent out to members of BGA and council for internal feedback before it can replace the current webpage by end of September