Helsinki, December 28th, 2017

Dear Members and Friends of the Collegium

This prestigious society has now been functioning for more than nine decades and during the past year its members have again completed prominent scientific activities. Instead of having a regular annual meeting we arranged a scientific symposium and business meeting at the 21st IFOS ENT World Congress, which was very successfully arranged in Paris during June 24-28, 2017 by the IFOS Board and the French ENT Society.

The CORLAS Symposium took place on Monday, June 26, 2017 with the title “Viruses and ORL neoplasms”. There were four speakers after the introductory presentation given by the Chair Prof. A. Mäkitie high-lighting “Viral etiology in nasopharyngeal cancer”. Prof. R. Leemans from Amsterdam discussed “The impact of HPV infection in oropharyngeal cancer”, Prof. JP. Klussmann from Giessen talked about how “Programmed Death-Ligand 1 (PD-L1) but not PD-L2 expression is associated with improved survival in Human Papilloma Virus (HPV)-related and -unrelated oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma”, Prof. B. Wollenberg from Lübeck presented theory and evidence on “Head and Neck microbiota as potential co-factors for carcinogenesis” and then Prof. A. Mäkitie described efforts to investigate “Emerging parvo- and polyomaviruses and Head and Neck neoplasms”. The auditorium was packed with both members of CORLAS as well as other participants of the world congress and the discussion was very active and finally had to be ended for the sake of time and our preplanned schedule. Please, see some attached photos at the end of this letter.

Following the scientific programme we had a 30-minute Business Meeting in the auditorium to cover the important issues of the past year and to discuss the forthcoming year. After the welcoming words the following deceased members were commemorated:

Michel Portmann (Born 1924) Sept. 17th, 2016, Bordeaux, France
Alain Morgon (Born 1931) Nov. 27th, 2016, Lyon, Bordeaux
James Baxter (Born 1923) March 13th, 2017, Burlington, Canada
John Murray Fredrickson (Born 1931) April 5th, 2017, Vancouver, Canada
Robert Kimura (Born 1920) April 7th, 2017, Middleton, WI, USA
As further issues on the agenda Prof. Shak Saeed was announced as the new national chair for the UK group and Prof. Janet Wilson will continue as their secretary.

Prof. Olivier Sterkers then gave an address as the vice president of CORLAS and also passed the regards to the members from our president René Dauman as he was not able to attend to meeting. This occasion also started the presidency of Prof. Weining Huang for 2017-2018 (see photo) and the preparations for the Annual Meeting 2018 in Beijing.

The next address was given by Prof. Chong Kim as the President of IFOS high-lighting the prominent role of members of CORLAS at various positions also in IFOS.

The final word was given by our Treasurer Sandro Stoeckli regarding our financial report (see below), arrangements for the Members' lunch, member-fee collection, and new CORLAS accessories now available to be ordered.

The Members' Lunch was served at the Hotel Le Meridien Etoile. There were 59 participants and the discussions were lively and innovative (see photos).

List of the future CORLAS meetings appears here and will rather soon need further activities as there are so far no bids for the European meetings in 2022 and 2024.

2018 Beijing
2019 Bern
2020 Outside Europe (Bid: Santiago, Chile)
2021 IFOS Vancouver, Canada
2022 Europe
2023 Outside Europe (Bid: Kyoto?)
2024 Europe
2025 IFOS
2026 Europe (Bid: Groningen?)

IMPORTANT DATES
Chairmen of the national groups are invited to contact the General Secretary by mid-May 2018 at the latest to propose new member candidates, so that these can then be officially invited to send their applications to the Jury by mid-June 2018 at the latest.

Our next Annual Meeting will be arranged in Beijing during September 16-19, 2018 by our new President Weining Huang and Vice President Shiming Yang and the Chinese group. The arrangements have my wholehearted support and I encourage you all to visit the congress website and register for the meeting.

With my best wishes to all CORLAS members.

Helsinki, December 31st, 2017

[Signature]
Antti Mäkitie
General Secretary
# Treasurer's report 2017

**Investment**

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