



## **HISTORY**

### **GENERAL**

The discussion started in **1994** besides the Annual Meeting of the German Association of Endocrine Surgeons (CAEK – discussion round under the auspices of Blackwell Publisher – “Acta Chirurgica Austriaca – European Surgery” on the necessity of a European Journal on Endocrine Surgery).

It was intensified in Vienna on August 18, **1999** besides the meeting of the International Association of Endocrine Surgeons [IAES] - International Surgical Week. 27 representatives of 18 European countries discussed the topic “Is A European Association Of Endocrine Surgeons Worthwhile? The Importance of Scientific Associations and Journals in the New Millennium”: Representatives of Middle and South European countries were for, Scandinavian representatives against the efforts to start a society in 2000. A cooperative scientific study group in endocrine surgery was founded.

However, during the BAES meeting in Pisa in April **2002**, several national representatives discussed the actual situation concerning the foundation of a new “European Society of Endocrine Surgeons” once more.

**The discussions at the meeting and thereafter unanimously showed the need for such a society. Actually, the developing Europe represents a good basis and the situation appears to be even better than some years ago.**

### Arguments for ESES

1. The cooperative study group in endocrine surgery founded in Vienna 1999. organises annual meetings and is well working, however, it has been realized that without the background of an official society the study group will not have the efficiency that is necessary to perform high level multi-institutional studies. Hence, the existence of a “European Society of Endocrine Surgeons” is mandatory for the successful conduction of European multinational studies in the field of endocrine surgery, retrospective ones but even more those with a prospective design.
2. In spite of the differences of the health care systems in European countries, there are many similarities among them, and this will become even more obvious in the near future. Moreover, there are some European grant organizations which may have the potential and power to support prospective multinational studies in the field of endocrine surgery.

3. Endocrine surgery, representing a subspecialty of general surgery, urgently needs prospective studies due to the special kind of endocrine diseases and the developments of new surgical procedures, especially those dealing with minimal invasive techniques. Additionally, a new Division of Endocrine Surgery has recently been formed at the UEMS level. Hence, the establishment of European centres where European endocrine surgeons can be educated and trained on a scientific basis by experienced surgeons will be necessary.
4. The development of new surgical techniques and the development of other disciplines targeting to some aspect the field of endocrine surgery (e.g. thyroid, parathyroid and adrenal) requires an official endocrine surgical society at the European basis who fulfils a pacemaker function regarding research, education and training and who serves as a representative partner concerning interdisciplinary cooperation with other European scientific organisation in this field (e.g. European Thyroid Association (ETA), European Federation of Endocrine Societies (EFES). As has been done by gastrointestinal surgical societies, a European Society of Endocrine Surgery could organize joint meetings together with European endocrinologists to enhance and concentrate our common activities.
5. Like the other already existing multinational societies of endocrine surgeons, e.g. the Asian Association of Endocrine Surgeons (AsAES) and the American Association of Endocrine Surgeons (AAES), the European Society of Endocrine Surgeons would be an adequate partner for the IAES, our international umbrella organization. Thus, rather improved partnership but not competition is the motive to found the European Society of Endocrine Surgeons. Consequently, the meetings of the European Society of Endocrine Surgeons should be biennially between the IAES meetings.

## **AIMS**

The advancement of knowledge and techniques in endocrine surgery.

The promotion and maintenance of high standards in the clinical practice of endocrine surgery and in education and research.

## **LOGO**

2003 05 04      Henning Dralle (Copyright)

## **WEBSITE**

2006 01 11      Bruno Niederle (First version) - [www.eses.cc](http://www.eses.cc)

2006 - Bruno Niederle – regular homepage updates

## OFFICIAL ORGAN FOR PUBLICATIONS

2004 **Langenbecks' Archives of Surgery** – Springer

Publication of abstracts and summaries of ESES workshops –  
After peer review: publication of original papers - the best  
manuscripts of currents workshops and biennial congresses

## FOUNDING CONFERENCE

**2003 05 04** **Vienna - „Hotel Mercure Josefhof“** – Presentation of the first  
version of the constitution and bylaws

### Participants

#### AUSTRIA

Kaczirek	Klaus
Niederle	Bruno (Chairman, Local Organizer)
Passler	Christian
Prager	Gerhard
Scheuba	Christian

#### BELGIUM

Defechereux	Thierry
Meurisse	Michel
Squifflet	Jean-Paul

#### BULGARIA

Pandev	Rumen
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#### Denmark

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#### FRANCE

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Kraimps	Jean-Louis
Proye	Charles A.

#### GERMANY

Dralle	Henning (Chairman)
Frilling	Andreja
Gimm	Oliver

#### GREECE

Linos	Dimitrios A.
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#### ITALY

Bellantone	Rocco
Favia	Gennaro

Miccoli	Paolo (Chairman)
<b>NORWAY</b>	
Varhaug	Jan-Erik
<b>POLAND</b>	
Kuzdak	Kryzstof
Pomorski	Lech
Rybinski	Kazimierz
<b>PORTUGAL</b>	
Cardoso de Oliveira	Manuel
<b>SPAIN</b>	
Ponce Marco	Jose Luis
Sancho	Juan
Sancho-Fornos	Salvador
Sitges-Serra	Antonio
<b>SWEDEN</b>	
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<b>SWITZERLAND</b>	
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<b>THE NETHERLANDS</b>	
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<b>TURKEY</b>	
Düren	Mete
Tezelman	Serdar T.
<b>UNITED KINGDOM</b>	
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O'Higgins	Niall
Sadler	Greg
Young	Anthony E

## **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS**

2004	Version – 1: Pisa
2008	Version – 2: Barcelona

## **HONORARY MEMBERS**

2006	Norman W. Thompson, Ann Arbor, USA
2006	Malcolm H. Wheeler, Cardiff, United Kingdom
2008	Matthias Rothmund, Marburg, Germany

## **PRELIMINARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (2003-2004)**

President	Paolo Miccoli, Pisa, Italy
Secretary	Henning Dralle, Halle/Saale, Germany

Treasurer Bruno Niederle, Vienna, Austria  
Recorder Antonio Sitges-Serra, Barcelona, Spain

## **CONSTITUENT CONGRESS**

**2004 14 05 Palazzo di Congressi - Pisa, Italy**

## **OFFICERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EC)**

### **President**

2004 – 2006 Paolo Miccoli, Pisa, Italy  
2006 – 2008 Bertil Hamberger, Stockholm, Sweden  
2008 – 2010 Henning Dralle, Halle/Saale, Germany  
2010 – 2012 Jean-Francois Henry, Marseilles, France

### **Secretary**

2004 – 2006 Henning Dralle, Halle/Saale, Germany  
2006 – 2010 Jean-Luise Kraimps, Poitiers, France

### **Treasurer**

2003 - 2008 Bruno Niederle, Vienna, Austria  
2008 - 2012 Bruno Niederle, Vienna, Austria

### **Recorder**

2003 – 2006 Antonio Sitges-Serra, Barcelona, Spain  
2006 - 2010 Thierry Defechereux, Liege, Belgium

## **COMMITTEES**

### **Member of the Executive Committee**

2006 – 2010 Anders Bergenfelz, Lund, Sweden  
2006 - 2010 Marcin Barczynski, Krakow, Poland  
2006 – 2010 Thomas Clerici, St. Gallen, Switzerland  
2008 - 2012 David Scott-Coombes, Vale of Glamorgan, United Kingdom

### **Chairman of the National Delegate Committee**

2004 - 2006 Antony E. Young, London, United Kingdom  
2006 - 2010 Marcin Barczynski, Krakow, Poland

## **Nominating Committee**

- 2004 - 2006    Jan Zedenius (Chairman), Nacka, Sweden  
Paolo Miccoli, Pisa, Italy  
Lech Pomorski, Lodz, Poland
- 2006 - 2008    Paolo Miccoli (Chairman), Pisa, Italy  
Anders Bergenfelz, Lund, Sweden  
Thomas Clerici, St. Gallen, Switzerland  
Antony E. Young, London, United Kingdom
- 2008 - 2010    Bertil Hamberger (Chairman), Stockholm, Sweden  
Bruno Carnaille, Lille, France  
Jan-Erik Varhaug, Bergen, Norway  
Rumen Pandev, Sofia, Bulgaria

## **Research and Education Committee**

(Formation Executive Council – Barcelona April 24, 2008)

- 2008 - 2010    Thomas Clerici (Chairman), St. Gallen, Switzerland  
Kerstin Lorenz, Halle/Saale, Germany  
Juan Sancho, Barcelona, Spain  
David Scott-Coombes, Vale of Glamorgan, United Kingdom  
Frédéric Triponez, Geneva, Switzerland

## **BIENNIAL CONGRESS**

### **Local Organizers/Location**

- 2004            Paolo Miccoli - Pisa, Italy (Constituent Congress)
- 2006            Marcin Barczynski - Krakow, Poland.
- 2008            Antonio Sitges-Serra - Barcelona, Spain
- 2010            Bruno Niederle - Vienna, Austria
- 2012            Svante Jansson - Göteborg, Sweden

## **HONORARY LECTURE - “CHARLES PROYE HONORARY LECTURE”**

- 2006 11 11    the EC decides to name the honorary lecture during the biennial meeting “Charles Proye Honorary Lecture”, Charles Proye, MD, Professor of Surgery, Endocrine Surgeon, Lille, France

## **Lecturer/Topic**

- 2004 Jacques Marescaux, Strasbourg, France  
Information age and endocrine surgery. How long should it last?
- 2006 Göran Akerström, Uppsala, Sweden  
Parathyroid neoplasia: DNA - based surgical concept

### **Charles Proye Honorary Lecture**

- 2008 Jean Francoise Henry, Marseille, France  
The current role of imaging studies in surgery for primary hyperparathyroidism

## **WORKSHOPS/TOPIC/LOCAL ORGANIZERS**

- 2006 Halle/Saale, Germany - Henning Dralle, Michael Brauckhoff  
Modern technology in thyroid surgery
- 2007 Vienna, Austria - Bruno Niederle, Christian Scheuba  
Update in Endocrine Surgery –  
Endoscopic surgery in neuroendocrine pancreatic tumours
- 2009 Lund, Sweden - Anders Bergenfelz  
Update in Endocrine Surgery –  
Modern techniques in PHPT surgery: an evidence-based perspective
- 2011 Lyon, France – Jean-Louis Peix, Jean-Louis Kraimps  
Uptdate in Endocrine Surgery – Malignant adrenal tumours