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INTRODUCTION

We are very pleased to present you the Annual Report of the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses Association/European Renal Care Association (EDTNA/ERCA).

This report outlines the activities, objectives and achievements of the Association during year 2016.

Established in 1971, the EDTNA/ERCA has been addressing the needs of renal care professionals working in all areas of renal care, including nurses, physicians, transplant coordinators, psychological care workers, dieticians, teachers, social workers, managers and technicians.

The special needs of nurses and other professionals working with renal patients is wide ranging and impacts many aspects of the renal patients daily lives. The EDTNA/ERCA has grown during the last 45 years to become one of the most important forums in Europe in the area of Renal Care. Through education and innovative projects, the EDTNA/ERCA has been able to consolidate an important number of objectives this year.

The Association is a voluntary organization run by Volunteers. This means that everything reported here is thanks to them, our Industry Partners, a dedicated Secretariat and Conference Department, Members and of course the patients, who are always encouraging us to grow in education, knowledge and caring skills.

I hope you find this Annual Report useful to get an overview of the activities within our Association.

With very warm regards,

Maria Cruz Casal
EDTNA/ERCA Supervisory Board member & EDTNA/ERCA Publications Coordinator
PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing to you as EDTNA/ERCA President, a demanding role that has filled my life with challenges and excitement. I’ve become convinced that EDTNA/ERCA is and will be at the frontline of renal care worldwide. All of our Volunteers of our Association, with high quality and value, have the commitment and conscience to work in order to be the leaders of renal care. I deeply appreciate and thank all of them for their hard work and support.

Our 45th EDTNA/ERCA International Conference, which was held in Valencia, Spain, was an undeniable success. For another year, all volunteers worked with the same passion to reach this level of success.

Please allow me to address special compliments to all Executive Committee Members, the Marketing Director & Industry Relations, and the Conference Department for their valuable contribution in order to have a successful Conference and maintain the high level knowledge and skill in the Association. I would also like to address my compliments to the Scientific Programme Committee for their excellent organization of the Valencia Conference Scientific Programme.

I also would like to mention the enormous support of all our Industry Partners which we are extremely grateful for. Their contribution has not only assisted in the success of the Conference, but also in maintaining and increasing the progress of quality in Renal Care – to be the Partner of EDTNA/ERCA in its aim to be the leading Renal Association in Europe. They deserve a heartfelt thanks from all of us who are involved in Renal Care. This fruitful collaboration encourages us to continue the Association successfully.

Receive my kindest and respectful wishes,

Marianna Eleftheroudi
EDTNA/ERCA President ad Interim 2016
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2016

It was a year full of challenges for the Executive Committee Members. Some extraordinary changes like the resignation of the President Elect, Mrs. Marissa Dainton and the Co-opted Member Mrs. Susan Rogers, both left us due to very important personal reasons. During autumn 2015, Ms. Jitka Pancirova, Executive Director decided to leave her position as well. It was difficult to cope with all accountabilities required as EC Committee member. Nevertheless, this never became a problem since we instead have seen an excellent opportunity to identify two great new assets. Mrs. Anki Davidson and Mr. Alois Gorke whose experience and knowledgeable background about the Association helped us out. Mrs. Anki Davidson appointed as EDTNA/ERCA Marketing Director and Mr. Alois Gorke appointed as Executive Committee Supervisory Board Member, made this transition period easy and successful with their great commitment.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS WERE AGREED AT THE 45TH EDTNA/ERCA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

EDTNA/ERCA President ad interim, Marianna Eleftheroudi, opened the EDTNA/ERCA Annual General Meeting on September the 18th 2016, and while many Members didn’t miss the chance to make a difference and attended the AGM here is a chance to catch up the decisions that were made for EDTNA/ERCA.

The President presented goals and actions achieved during 2016, the Finance Report was approved by the Members, and the new EC Members were officially announced.

The first Motion proposed a New Constitution and was accepted by all Members. We have opened access to formal electronic communication, to enhance E- services and efficiency, and to lower costs for both Membership services and administration.

The second Motion proposed a new structure of Membership fees and categories was also approved.

Again, the Executive Committee would like to thank all members present for their participation in the AGM, for their trust in leadership of the Association and their support.

Members can read the Motions on the website http://www.edtnaerca.org/pdf/home/agm2016/EDTNA_ERCA_Motion_2016.pdf
VOLUNTEERS 2016

EDTNA/ERCA is a unique Renal Care Association worldwide run by Multidisciplinary, Multilingual and Multicultural Volunteers. Along this report will be provided detailed information on every Volunteer roles, responsibilities, objectives and achievements. Find also in the last page all of those who had Functions and Representing Countries. Thanks to them, the EDTNA/ERCA yearly objectives have been a success and they are also the bases for the development of incoming strategies.

OBJECTIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS 2015 - 2016

The Executive Committee with a professional guidance of the Marketing Director, Volunteers, Renal Industries cooperation and other Services Providers has worked with efficiency, responsibility and consciousness not only in the current year objectives but having in mind a full EDTNA/ERCA Strategy 2020 focused on:

- **Excellence** – to enhance our standing as a leading multidisciplinary renal Association by promoting excellence within disciplines, tackling global challenges, providing cultural enrichment and improving efficiency to provide economic benefit.
- **Experience** – ensure that our reputation for education programmes with an international dimension is of a quality to attract members worldwide
- **Commitment** – our commitment to engagement with members means that all key decision-making bodies will continue to have members’ representation
- **Opportunity** – development of an innovative training programme is broadening volunteers’ horizons while preparing them for exciting careers within the Association
- **Globalization** – extending the global reach and reputation of the EDTNA/ERCA, striving for global recognition of our activities and achievements in renal education.
- **Collaboration** – further development of professional collaborations with industry partners and other professional associations to improve the sharing of knowledge and expertise
- **Digitalization** – invest in electronic education materials and web based technologies to improve accessibility and communication with members and the renal community as a whole.
- **Rationalization** – redesign the operations model to achieve higher efficiency, reduce complexity and implement stronger monitoring of service providers and partners

All of these are not simple words. It is really an honor to summarize the amazing achievements in the year of 2016. It implies a period from September 2015 to September 2016. This information was presented to the EDTNA/ERCA Members at the Annual General Meeting held during the International Conference in Valencia, Spain, 2016
THE ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Conference Scientific Programme Committee has worked hard to ensure that delegates attend an informative and exciting Conference offering a valued learning experience.

From left to right: Anastasia Liossatou (Chair), Marianna Eleftheroudi (EC Link), Helen Noble (Member), Berislav Poje (Member) and Ilaria de Barbieri (Member).

The International Council of Nurses has accredited this Conference Scientific Program with 17.5 Continuing Nursing Education Credits. All Delegates have the chance of getting it for their Curriculum as per an example below.

Recognition and Appreciation to the Local Organizing Committee for their support in the Organization of the Conference:

From left to right: Ruben Iglesias, Anna Marti I Monros, Anna Junque and Tai Mooi Hoi.

EDTNA/ERCA BEST MANUSCRIPT SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS & BEST POSTER AWARDS

The Valencia Conference has been a resounding success. To achieve this many volunteers have contributed to turn this event into a smoothly running scientific meeting with many interesting presentations and posters and a positive atmosphere for discussion and networking.

The 3 successful winners of the Manuscripts Scholarship Awards competition presented during the EDTNA/ERCA Annual General Meeting at 45 EDTNA/ERCA Conference, Valencia Spain are:

- **1st Prize 500 € for the manuscript: The missing piece: Self-management support desires of patients with chronic kidney disease**
  
  Authors: K. Havas1, A. Bonner1, C. Douglas1 - 1School of Nursing, Faculty of Health, Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, Australia

- **2nd Prize 250 € for the manuscript: Awareness of renal nurses in identification and education of patients with inherited renal diseases**

  Authors: F. Sharif1, N. Alqaissi2, D. Dowsett3, C. Greenway3, P. Byers3, M. Bishop4, A. Cullimore1, N. Richards1, M. Richards1 - 1Nursing, SEHA Dialysis Services, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates; 2Nursing, Fatima College of Health Sciences, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates; 3Health Faculty, De Montfort University, Leicester, United Kingdom; 4HEE Genomics Education Programme, NHS Birmingham, Birmingham, United Kingdom
• 3rd Prize Full year EDTNA/ERCA Membership to maximum of 3 contributors to the abstract for the manuscript: Symptom experience in non-dialysis-dependent chronic kidney disease: a UK qualitative study

Authors: K. Pugh-Clarke1, S. Read2, J. Sim2 -1Kidney Unit, Royal Stoke University Hospital NHS Trust, Stoke-on-Trent, United Kingdom; 2Research Institute for Social Sciences, Keele University, Staffordshire, United Kingdom

THE 3 BEST POSTER AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF 45 EDTNA/ERCA CONFERENCE, VALENCIA SPAIN ARE:

• 1st Prize 250 € for the poster: Anxiety, depression and quality of life in patients undergoing chronic haemodialysis; observational cross section study
  Author: A. Masià - Haemodialysis, Clinica Girona, Girona, Spain

• 2nd Prize - Certificate of Merit and one full year EDTNA/ERCA membership for main presenter or author to the poster: Patient involvement supported by information technology
  Authors: Storm, M, Bæk, B - Department of Nephrology, Odense University Hospital, Odense, Denmark

• 3rd Prize - One full year EDTNA/ERCA membership for main presenter or author to the poster: Successful pregnancy in a haemodialysis patient in Saudi Arabia – a case study
  Authors: Sedgewick, J.M., Barrios, J., Al-Jehani, E., Habhab, T.W. Department of Nephrology, King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Center, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Congratulation the above authors in receiving the most prestigious and deserving awards as well as to thank them for their valuable contribution to the Scientific Programme of the 45th EDTNA/ERCA Conference.

Plenary Session - ‘Excellent Collaboration based on Mutual Experience and Commitment Creates Opportunities’. The following EDTNA/ERCA & Industry Projects were presented:

• B. Braun - Multilingual Patient Education Documents
  EDTNA/ERCA project sponsored by B. Braun Avitum
  GS: Tai Mooi Ho Wong (Spain) & Paul Challinor (Germany)

• Fresenius Medical Care - Choosing the right access at the right moment: a Nursing Best Practice Guide for Arteriovenous Graft
  GS: Maria Teresa Parisotto (Germany)

• Redsense Medical - Safety going Digital - Increasing the Awareness of Venous Needle Dislodgement. The launch of the Venous Needle Dislodgement App.
  GS: Patrik Byhmer (Sweden), Jean Pierre van Waeghehem (Belgium) & Sophie Hallldin (Sweden)

• NxStage - Home Haemodialysis - A Nurses Guide to Implementing Best Practice in Home Haemodialysis
  GS: Laura Stevens (UK) & Siobhan Gladding (UK)
We are also very grateful to Industry Partners for their cooperation with three Corporate Education Sessions (CES):

- Fresenius Medical Care - CES - Crossing Borders, Setting Standards: Embedding a Culture of Training and Education
- B. Braun Avitum – CES - Renal care for elderly patients
- NxStage – CES - Simply Home – Can you make it sustainable?
EDTNA/ERCA SUPPORTING RECOGNITION OF RENAL EDUCATION ACCREDITATION PROGRAMMES

EDTNA/ERCA continues to build strong external partnerships with schools of nursing and universities offering renal education as well as with renal industry who are interested in striving to gain EDTNA/ERCA Accreditation of their renal education programs.

Gaining Accreditation is testament to the quality of educational programs provided and an important quality hallmark to students and learners who are keen to have their program of learning recognized not only within Europe but globally!

John Sedgewick - EDTNA/ERCA Education Consultant - Chair – Accreditation Committee

EDTNA/ERCA Accredited this year the following programmes of Nephrology Education:

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HOME HAEMODIALYSIS - A NURSES GUIDE TO IMPLEMENTING BEST PRACTICE IN HOME HAEMODIALYSIS - JOINT PROJECT BETWEEN EDTNA/ERCA & NXSTAGE

The start-up of this Project took place in Valencia during our Conference. The intent is to provide insight and education in order to increase the awareness of the possibilities of Home Haemodialysis. The reason behind is that there is an increase of dialysis patients who are seeking the life-changing freedom, improved energy, and logistical benefits that more frequent home haemodialysis can provide.

The objectives of this Project are:

- Define educational guidelines
- Increase the range of education tools available for nurses, patients and careers
- Create awareness and increase demand
- Prepare an online education programme / tool and disseminate knowledge
- First version in English, open for translation by EDTNA/ERCA Volunteers

The Project will be launched at our 46th EDTNA/ERCA International Conference in Krakow, Poland, September 9th, 2017. We will inform continuously about the latest status and update within the Project.

SAFETY GOING DIGITAL - INCREASING THE AWARENESS OF VENOUS NEEDLE DISLODGEEMENT - JOINT PROJECT BETWEEN EDTNA/ERCA & REDSENSE MEDICAL

This Project started last year at the International Conference in Dresden. The main objective was to create awareness of the lack of knowledge about VND and the consequences if nobody acts.

The objectives were to:

- Minimize the risk of VND
- Work as a Team between the Nurse and the Patient
- Include Patient education for Home HD
- Highlight the 12 steps which are extremely important

To succeed with this project we support a blame free environment and the mindset of safety has to be included into the culture as well as leadership. EDTNA/ERCA plays an important role to increase the awareness of safety further.

Our aim for the Project was:

- To develop a useful, digital tool to increase safety during treatment and to further minimize the risks of VND. To start this process Redsense Medical had the pleasure of conducting a Survey together with the EDTNA/ERCA Brand Ambassadors
- The input was very valuable for the project in order to develop the Education Tool to improve patient safety and we would like to say Thanks to our Brand Ambassadors who contributed to our survey: Australia, Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic, Italy, Israel, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and The Netherlands.

MULTILINGUAL PATIENT EDUCATION DOCUMENTS - EDTNA/ERCA PROJECT
**SPONSORED BY B. BRAUN AVITUM**

14 educational papers for Patients in 12 languages have been updated. A great work achieved thanks to a fantastic cooperation of translators, Project coordinator, Tai Mooi Ho Wong and B. Braun team who put all of them in the format for the web.

**COLLABORATION PROGRAMME WITH DIAVERUM SPAIN**

- Other collaboration with an Industry partner: Diaverum Spain launched a Travel Guide for Renal Patients at our EDTNA/ERCA Conference in Valencia. It was distributed to all delegates and is also available from our web in English and Spanish. If you didn’t get it in English or Spanish, do not hesitate to download your copy from [www.edtna-erca.com](http://www.edtna-erca.com)

**PUBLICATIONS**

The aim of EDTNA/ERCA is continue to promote quality renal care through education and continuous professional development through developing updated publications and other educational resources. This year has been a fruitful one as the following publications have been consolidated:

**Book on: 500 Questions and Answers on Peritoneal Dialysis - A Guide to Clinical Practice.**

Editors: Debbie Fortnum (EDTNA/ERCA Brand Ambassador from Australia/New Zealand) & Aase Riemann (Peritoneal Dialysis Consultant) from The Netherlands.

**Debbie Fortnum**

This book is a result of reference Questions and Answers, not personal opinions. Maria Cruz Casal, has coordinated the contribution of 40 Authors from 12 Countries.

**Aase Riemann**
Book on: Vascular Access Cannulation and Care - A Nursing Best Practice Guide for Arteriovenous Graft. Editor: Maria Teresa Parisotto, Fresenius Medical Care - Chief Nurse Advisor. The book is the result of the most recent literature combined with nursing expertise. It provides a complete guidance on arteriovenous graft nursing management.

The Book – Vascular Access Cannulation and Care - A Nursing Best Practice Guide for Arteriovenous Fistula was translated from English into: Bosnian, Croatian, French, Italian, Latin American, Portuguese, Russian, Slovenian and Spanish. This extraordinary work has been achieved thanks to Volunteers and under the coordination of Maria Teresa Parisotto.

Book: A Guide for Nurses in their day to day Communication with Patients.

Editors: Mike Kelly (EDTNA/ERCA Psychological Care Consultant, Ireland), Alison Larkin (Psychotherapist, Ireland) and Debbie Fortnum (Australia and New Zealand Brand Ambassador)

Book on DOPPS Study Results: Five Key Aspects of Renal Care - Prepared in collaboration with Arbor Research and EDTNA/ERCA Volunteers in order to celebrate “10 Years of Collaboration: DOPPS Research”. PDF is available for downloading from the web.

Editor: Anna Marti I Monros, DOPPS Chair Coordinator
The EDTNA/ERCA peer review Scientific Publication, the Journal of Renal Care was not only distributed to members but over 2,400 libraries around the world have access to the Journal of Renal Care. The App to download it from mobiles is getting great success. Additionally, JoRC is available to a further 3,500 libraries in developing countries for little or no cost through philanthropic initiatives. Nicola Thomas – JoRC Editor

This year it was proposed to members, and voted positively, that printed copies will be distributed only as per request. Everybody can download it from the web.

CONSULTANTS ACTIVITIES

EDTNA/ERCA Electronic Library -- ONLINE educational resource for Health Care Professionals (HCP) – Project lead by Karen Jenkins, CKD Consultant and Lesley Bennett, Anaemia Consultant

A New paper on: Diabetes, Chronic Kidney Disease and Anaemia - EXPERT LEVEL is available to everybody from the open part of www.edtna-erca.com. Their expertise and cooperation with other projects and at the Conference were really important. L. Bennett and K Jenkins

The Haemodialysis Consultant, Ruben Iglesias, has lead a new important topic by organizing an Ultrasound Vascular Workshop including Theory and Practices with real patients. The interest showed by the attendees has encouraged him to produce some nursing guidelines on this cannulation technique. R. Iglesias

The Nutrition Consultant, Anna Poulia Kalliopi, initiated a project by distributing a questionnaire at the Conference to exploring nutrition practices among renal nurses. The Project Aim is: Screening Nutritional Status in Patients with End Stage Renal Disease because there are evidences that Malnutrition increases the risk of illness and death in renal patients. Consequently, reliable estimations of nutritional status are essential for improved clinical outcomes in this population group.

Step one of this new project is already underway. We’d like to thank all who have participated in the survey at the Conference. EDTNA/ERCA looks forward to further participation in this project and sharing its findings.

We would also like to congratulate Ms. Carmen Font for winning the raffle of a free registration to the Conference in Krakow in 2017.
Education is the main focus of the Association and the Education Consultant, John Sedgewick has been very active. He continues leading the EDTNA/ERCA & Fresenius Middle East & Africa yearly Seminar. This year it was delivered a highly successful 10th FMC & EDTNA-ERCA Renal education Program November 12-14th, 2016 in Barcelona, Spain. Program attended by approximately 110 delegates from 17 countries across Middle East & Africa This program was evaluated very positively by all who participants.

ACTIVITIES OF EDTNA/ERCA BRAND AMBASSADORS
DEBBIE’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- The key activity in Australia this year has been a huge contribution to the new EDTNA/ERCA “500 questions about Peritoneal Dialysis” handbook. A team of Australian and New Zealand nurses have contributed and reviewed content: Janis Powell, Sandra Handy, Lisa Pacquin, Margot Gillies, Julie Reynolds & Serena Frasca
- I have had the pleasure of working with Aase Riemann as the co-author and Maria Cruz Casal who has worked tirelessly to support every aspect of development of this book
- Monthly updates about the EDTNA/ERCA have been placed in the Renal Society News Bulletins

MICHEL’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- The Belgian Orpadt group had their yearly Kidney day symposium. Michel had an EDTNA/ERCA booth and articles
- Belgium Nephrology Industry McMedicol and Bellco obtain 2 Awards for 2 of the 7 accepted Belgian abstracts at the Dresden International Conference.
- Writing articles in the National Association Publications
- Providing National Scholarships for the Valence Conference 2016
- Attending seminars of the National Organizations ORPADT VL, ORPADT FR and DTV
- Guide de translation group for the Dutch and French Newsletter

MARJELKA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Conference was held October 15th - 18th, 2015 in Opatija
- Translation of the Newsletter
- Collaboration with Croatian volunteers
- Collaboration with National Nurses association
- Translation of the Vascular Access book

JITKA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- XIV. Multidisciplinary Nephrology Congress Brno, November 2015 (joint event of Czech Association of Nurses & EDTNA/ERCA)
- Patient Education Documents for CKD stages 1-3 & CKD stages 4-5 EDTNA/ERCA Project kindly supported by B. Braun - support and validation of Czech translation
- XV. Multidisciplinary Nephrology Congress Brno, November 2016 (Joint event of Czech Association of Nurses & EDTNA/ERCA)
- EDTNA/ERCA activities & Conference promotion during local events and DCs visits
Translation of EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter and other publications

JEANETTE’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Mailed to all renal managers in Denmark given knowledge about EDTNA/ERCA and all the benefits to be an EDTNA/ERCA member.
- Encouraged every department to be a member of EDTNA/ERCA
- Translating the EDTNA/ERCA news letters to Danish
- Stand and representation of EDTNA/ERCA at the annual meeting for The Danish Association of Nephrology Nurses

THOMAS ACHIEVEMENTS

- “Newsletter” on EDTNA/ERCA topics in the periodical “Dialyse aktuell” published by Thieme 10x per year and reaching all members of the German renal national association and many dialysis centres in German spoken countries
- Stand and representation of EDTNA/ERCA at the national conference in Erfurt (28./29.05.2016)
- Member of the program committee of the Renal Care Forum Rotenburg as BA
- Member of the program committee of the Three Countries Conference 2016, meeting 05.04.2016, as BA

JANIA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- National INNA Conferences: 3/2016- Booth and oral presentation in Annual Nephrology Nurses Conference in Tell Aviv
- Weekend conference: 15-17.10.15 Dead Sea: Booth and oral presentation, updates from conference in Dresden
- 3 Newsletters were translated to Hebrew and published on the national web site
- Posting the information about the EDTNA/ERCA in Hebrew on National Nephrology website and Kol-Hakilia Journal
- Meeting and presentation about EDTNA/ERCA organization for the basic nephrology course students 17/05/16.
- EDTNA/ERCA Seminar in Israel: “From Nephro paediatric to Nephro geriatric and ethical issues between them”-24/05/16
ROBERTA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- EDTNA/ERCA Italian Branch collaborates with the Italian Kidney Foundation and yearly supports the “World kidney’s day” and CKD prevention activities
- “Alessandra Zampieron” Nursing Research Award
- Collaboration together with Bologna’s IPASVI Association, we are ready (“noi siamo pronti”) to get the official recognition of nurses’ Competencies
- EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter translation into Italian

IRMINA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Support of membership recruitment campaign at national event
- Translation of the EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter to Lithuanian
- Local educational seminars in local dialysis units
- Continuously participation in patient education project
- Cooperation with local patient associations
- Cooperation with dialysis units
- Promoting EDTNA/ERCA to patient associations and dialysis units
- EDTNA/ERCA promotion in local Newsletters

ANNA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- The educational event “Continuous renal replacement therapies” – Bielsko-Biała (5 March 2016).
- Promoted EDTNA/ERCA on the PNNA Conference “The Model of coordinated care for patients with a chronic illness” – Szczecinek (15-16 April 2016) with a presentation and the booth.
- EDTNA/ERCA was promoted at the University and several different nursing specializations through the year.
- Further Collaboration with PNNA
- Participation in development of Polish Standards in Nephrology Nursing
- Attending and promoting EDTNA/ERCA on Polish conferences
ANNA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Promotion, with release of EDTNA books, and promotion cards of 45th EDTNA/ERCA International Conference - Valencia in:
  - Regional Seminar in Lisbon - APEDT
  - National Conference in Vila Moura – APEDT
- Revison of the translation to Portuguese of the Book – Vascular Access Cannulation and Care - A Nursing Best Practice Guide for Arteriovenous Fistula – With FMC Portugal
- Encourage the publication of the papers presented
- Encourage projects in partnership with APEDT
- First Portuguese EDTNA/ERCA Masterclass on November in partnership with APEDT
- EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter translation into Portuguese

BOZICA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Section of Serbian Renal Nurses Association 26th March 2016 in Aranđelovac
- Section of Serbian Renal Nurses Association, 26th May 2016 in Kruševac
- 25th Conferences of “Renal Nurses Association of Serbia’ in Lepenski Vir, 29 September - 2nd October 2016. (all the preparations for our 25 Conference are underway)
- XXI School of dialysis in Belgrade, on 17th October –2nd December
- Annual General Meeting is in Belgrade on 15th December 2016
- May in Kruševac - Section of Serbian Renal Nurses Association
- EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter translation into Serbian

SONJA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- National Seminar in Murska Sobota
- EDTNA/ERCA stand and short oral presentation at the National seminar in Zreče
- Proof reading of booklet Vascular Access, Cannulation and Care: A Nursing Best Practice Guide for Arteriovenous Fistula that was translated in Slovenian by our nurses
- Organizing the first EDTNA/ERCA educational event in Slovenia on 30th of March for dialysis and nephrology head nurses
- EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter translation into Slovenian
ANNA’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- April - Chairing Session. Vascular Access Symposium
- Local Committee Member (LOC) for the 45 EDTNA/ERCA International Conference taking part in meetings and being a member of the local organizing committee
- On the 25 of February, Vascular Access Conference was taking place in Mollet del Vallés. My task there was active moderating the participation of the attendees. Along with Maria Teresa Parisotto we introduced the Vascular Access Guide: Vascular Access, Cannulation and Care: A Nursing Best Practice Guide for Arteriovenous Fistula
- On the 7 and 8 of April, the 2 Parc Taulí International Vascular Access Symposium took place in Sabadell
- EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter translation into Spanish

SOPHIE’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Jan – Sept - Industry Project with Redsense Medical – Safety going Digital – about VND. Launch at the Valencia Conference
- Preparing Abstract for the Project – Safety going Digital – Oral Presenter
- EDTNA/ERCA had a booth at the 2 day Swedish National Conference in Umeå.
- Been to the Renal Clinic in Malmö to promote EDTNA/ERCA
- Continues contact with Accepted Swedish Abstract Authors
- New EDTNA/ERCA seminar will be planned for November 2016
- EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter translation into Swedish

MUKADDER’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- Meeting and presentation about EDTNA/ERCA organization for the nephrology course students
- World Kidney Day Booth
- Collaboration with National Nurses association.
- Booth and oral presentation in Annual Nurses Conference in Antalya.
- Building a new EDTNA/ERCA -Network for Turkey Nephrology Nursing
- Participate for the EDTNA/ERCA Results in the Turkey network
- Collaboration with the Turkey Associations
- Writing articles in the National Association Publications
- Translation of the book: Vascular Access, Cannulation and Care: A Nursing Best Practice Guide for Arteriovenous Fistula
- EDTNA/ERCA Newsletter translation into Turkish
MARIE’S ACHIEVEMENTS

- World Kidney Day seminar attendance and presentation
- Presentations and workshops at EDTNA MEA Symposium in Lisbon 2015
- Study Days for Renal Nurses in Abu Dhabi
- Establishment of Renal Education Abu Dhabi (READ) a professional forum to raise educational opportunities for all nurses in the region
- Roll out of READ initiatives
- Expansion and development of MSc Programme
- Educational workshops with regional partners in Bahrain, Qatar and the Northern Emirates

FINANCIAL REPORT 2016

In the financial year 2016, the Association continued to process accurate and safe operation of its finances.

Membership services and educational offerings were maintained at a good level. The Association worked on new projects, successfully held the 45th International Conference and continued to publish the Scientific Journal, the Newsletter, new educational pocket books, and other highly valued educational and scientific materials.

The Bookkeeping 2016 was conducted in the currency Euro as in the three previous years. The examination of all current assets was conducted on the basis of original bank statements from the respective banks. All statements were correctly filed. The balances stated are equal to values stated in the Balance Sheet.

Amounts remaining in transfer accounts, accruals and adjustments found in the bookkeeping are at a required minimum and in line with those of past years. All transactions are correctly and transparently booked.

The process to safeguard the financial independence and viability of the Association remains a challenge for the future; the period of worldwide economically instability does continue. Cost containments, safe investment of reserves and support to the organisation of a successful Collaboration Programme with our Partners as well as the Conference will be the main goals for the Finance Team 2017 as well.

As the Treasurer I would like to thank all my colleagues in the Executive Committee and in particular Mr. Alois Gorke, the Finance coordinator and other professional providers for their work and support during the year 2016.

Edita Noruišienė

Treasurer
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