EuSSAB meeting 18 March 2019
Agenda & Workshop Structure
General Meeting Agenda

1. **Welcome & Outlook EUROSPINE 2019**
   TP (ES President) 10’

2. **EuSSAB: Latest developments**
   CS/JvL 10’

3. **Introduction to Workshops**
   BL & Experts 50’
   - 1) WS goals & structure BL (5’)
   - 2) Update & Background Information WS Topics
     - 1a. Certification of hospitals FK (10’)
     - 1b. Spine Tango EM/BL (10’)
     - 2. Education JLN (10’)
     - 3. EDISC PC (10’)
     - 4. Communication CS (5’)

4. **Four Workshops** (each 45’)
   ALL & Experts 180’
   Lunch – from 13:15 – 14:15

5. **Conclusion & Discussion Workshops**
   Experts & BL 60’

6. **Actions & Closing**
   CS 15’
Welcome & Outlook EUROSPINE 2019

Tim Pigott
EUROSPINE President
EUROSPINE Achievements 2018

1. Successfull 20th Anniversary Meeting in Barcelona
2. Build e-learning for surgeons
3. Support Task Force “EDISC” and booster the concept at the Vienna Spring Meeting
4. Strengthen EUROSPINE’s position by intensifying and formalizing our relationship with EFORT, EANS, UEMS, National Spine Societies, etc.
5. Support the continuous development of EUROSPINE EuSSAB and strengthen our position as umbrella organization of national spine societies
6. Develop and inaugurate the Certification for SSCoE (Surgical Spine Centres of Excellence)
7. Support Spine Tango to develop sustainability
8. Standards for prioritizing our activities – re-evaluate and re-confirm way forward strategy
9. Make the Spring Meeting 2019 in Frankfurt a success (still work in progress)
1. **E-learning**
   - Signed the e-learning cooperation contract with Medtronic on November 1\textsuperscript{st}
   - Project work has started with an external provider paid by Medtronic supporting us
   - The contract with our external freelancer has been terminated – only having used part of his capacity
   - Goal is to offer a short EduWeek combined with e-learning on November 18-20 2019

2. **Spine Tango**
   - Northgate has been selected as new provider and contract has been signed on Dec 5 2019
   - The new contract is full in line with GDPR (new data protection rules) and will request bilateral contracts with all participating hospitals
   - Transition phase is actually ongoing and with existing provider ISPM a prolongation contract is signed

3. **New Hiring**
   - Robert Conrad has been hired as MANAGER OF REGISTRY & REGISTRATION
   - strong professional business background in project management and e-learning
   - Two master diplomas in “Business Administration and Management” as well as in “Sociology and political science”
   - His focus will be Spine Tango and e-learning
Six core priorities 2019

1. **Meetings**
   - Spring Meeting Frankfurt – goal to establish a strong high quality EUROSPINE speciality meeting
   - Helsinki: Keep the high level of quality/expectations like in the former meetings

2. **Education:**
   - manage the move from Strasbourg to Geneva
   - ensure good start of **EDISC** – position EUROSPINE also as a Society for non-surgeons providing best practice education
   - get successful start of **e-learning** – first blended EduWeek Nov 18-20 2019

3. **Spine Tango:**
   - manage successful transition to new provider – keeping & increasing number of hospitals
   - get commercial business initiated to ensure payback of big investments

4. **Hospital certification:**
   - Transition of successful pilot into fully pledged concept

5. **EuSSAB:**
   - more proactive involvement of EuSSAB reps – better leverage of our core activities at the benefit of all partners

6. **New Website**
   - Ensure transparency / manage complexity / get costs under control
EuSSAB: Latest developments

Christoph Siepe & Johan van Lerbeirghe
EuSSAB Committee
EuSSAB Member Countries
Represented Countries

- Austria
- Belgium
- Croatia
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Israel
- Italy
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
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EuSSAB Committee & Contributors

• EuSSAB Council (implemented at the last General Assembly!)
  – Christoph Siepe, EuSSAB Council
  – Johan Van Lerbeirghe, EuSSAB Committee Member

• EuSSAB Representatives
  – Ioannis Magras, EuSSAB Representative 2018/2019
elected by all EuSSAB member societies to represent EuSSAB in the EUROSPINE ExCom
  – Alberto Ulloa, EuSSAB Vice-Representative 2018/2019
elected by all EuSSAB member societies to become the next EuSSAB Representative 2019/2020

• Facilitator: Beat Leimbacher, Delegate of the ExCom

• EUROSPINE Stakeholder Committee
  – Margareta Nordin, Stakeholder Council
Strategic Plan & Responsibilities

- Strategic plan for all core and prioritised 2019 issues
- Clear assignment of responsibilities to all involved participants

  - EuSSAB Communication → Christoph S. together with Ioannis M.
    Communication across Europe / Mutual promotion of events

  - EuSSAB Programme → Johan vL.
    Political news from across Europe (Political Issues / Debates) - EuSSAB input to EUROSPINE 2019
    → Pre-day Course II in Helsinki

  - EuSSAB Membership → Claudia O. together with Christoph S.
    Focus on additional member societies, keep updates, etc
Next steps & projects

• EuSSAB input to EUROSPINE 2019 in Helsinki
  o Pre-day Course II – Tuesday, 15 October 2019
  o EuSSAB talk about political issues – details to be confirmed

• Paper about SWOT Analysis 2017/2018 for ESJ
  → Johan vL. with the support of Margareta N.

• 2nd round of SWOT Analysis 2019/2020
  → Alberto U. with the support of Claudia O.
SWOT Analysis 2017/2018

26 answers: 100% Response Rate

Thank you for your contribution!
**SWOT Analysis 2019/2020**

### Strengths
- 22 societies have an overarching spine society (5 not)
  - Sub-specialties: Neurosurgeons (22%), Orthopaedic surgeons (22%), Trauma surgeons (9%), Research and basic science (8%), Biomechanics (6%), Rheumatologists (4%), Physiotherapists (9%), Psychologists (2%), Psychiatrists (5%), Nurses (2%), Engineers (2%) ...
- Society is representative for spine specialists: definitely yes - 17, probably yes - 7, might or might not - 1, definitely not 1 (!)
- Consultation of government: yes - 27%, probably yes - 19%

### Weaknesses
- More than one spine society?
  - yes - 19%, some limited - 19%, no - 34%, does not apply (26%)
- Consultation of government:
  - yes - 27%, probably yes - 19%
  - might or might not - 15%, probably not - 15%, definitely not - 23%
- Is there a spine registry?
  - no - 57%
- Plans to start a registry?
  - no - 40%, do not know - 13%
- National institute of excellence?
  - yes - 52%, no - 48%

### Opportunities
- Is there a spine registry?
  - yes - 42%, no - 57%
- Response rate spine registry:
  - < 20% response rate - 18%, 21-50% response rate - 18%, 51-80% response rate - 36%, > 80% response rate - 27%
- Plans to start a registry?
  - yes - 46%, no - 40%, do not know - 13%
- Spine Tango
- National institute of excellence?
  - yes - 52%, no - 48%

### Threats
- Government planning savings?
  - definitely yes - 34%, probably yes - 38%, probably not - 11%, definitely not - 11%
- Government planning to reduce hospitals?
  - definitely yes - 30%, probably yes - 38%, probably not - 15%, definitely not - 15%
- Government planning to reduce spine centres?
  - definitely yes - 11%

2nd round of SWOT Analysis

Check, evaluate, update the grids

It’s a continuous process!
Meeting & Workshop Goals

1. Keep all EuSSAB members informed about
   • the latest developments in EUROSPINE’s core activities
   • the potential benefits of participating in these core activities

2. Ensure and enable a proactive participation for all representatives
   • Creating the opportunity to present your specific needs
   • Giving you a strong voice and ensuring that we better understand your needs

3. Strengthen the cooperation within EuSSAB by
   • Leverage EUROSPINE core activities for the benefit of all members
   • Create well-tailored solutions for country specific needs

4. Define clear actions
Four Topics for the Workshops

EUROSPINE’s CORE ACTIVITIES / ISSUE WITH A POTENTIAL BENEFIT FOR EuSSAB

1. **Education / e-learning** (Julie-Lyn Noël / Alberto Ulloa / Robert Conrad)
2. **EDISC - EUROSPINE Diploma in Interprofessional Spine Care** (Pierre Côté)
3. **Quality Assurance:**
   1. **Spine Tango** (Everard Munting / Tim Pigott)
   2. **Certification of Spine Centres** (Frank Kandziora)
4. **EuSSAB Communication across Europe** (Christoph Siepe / Ioannis Magras / Claudia Ortner)