

Structure and development

We had several board meetings online and face to face:

- January 7th (video call)
- February 15th (video call)
- March 28th to 30th (conference preparation meeting in Luxembourg)
- April 24th (after-conference board meeting)
- September 15th (video call)

The conference was held from April 21st to 24th in Hohenwart/hPforzheim (Germany).

At the conference a new board was elected. The board consists of:

Gesa Bressel (President)
Camille Raguin (Vice president)
Olivier Raguin
Gero Bressel serves as Treasurer

First trimester was about the last preparations for the conference: finalizing the program, organizing logistics.

For the first time we held a hybrid conference, offering people could not join physically to follow the speeches and ask questions online. Despite it being a huge load of work and a certain cost, we definitely would like to continue with this set up for the next conferences.

At the end of the conference, a new date was immediately set with the hotel. The planned date is from **April 4th to 7th 2024**. We also scheduled an in-person board meeting in January 2023 in Luxemburg in addition to several online meetings.

In July, Gesa and Camille attended the US conference in Washington D.C. They got to meet with their colleagues from 11q Research and Resource group: Linzee Thorpe Carroll and Jessica Curia Fekete and gathered useful information and inspirational ideas and tightened the bonds between the overseas communities.

Three newsletters have been sent: January (regular), February (invitations and registration to conference), April (conference program).

Homepage

Work on our homepage continues. The improvement of the overall structure as well as the translation to other languages is still in progress. Our Facebook page proves to be a very useful communication aid between all the European members along with getting in touch with the other networks like the American 11q Network.

Our Scientific Advisors

We spoke to some of our scientific advisors (K. Paris, E. Huisman, P. Grossfeld, I. Herfs) at the conference in Pforzheim in April 2022. The researchers are still committed to the network. They continue to do several research on different topics.

We also collaborated in the past years with the Erasmus University Hospital to set up new research about blood platelets. Dr

Elize Huisman conducted this research and the results have been presented during the conference.

Finances

As in all years with conferences, there were large expenses again this year. Since the conference was held as a hybrid conference with great technical effort, we had high costs for technology and personnel expenses for video and translator technology. For this reason alone the expenses amounted to 14220,50 €. The board decided not to charge a conference fee this year and to let the association cover the hotel costs for all chromosome 11 children. After deduction of the parents' own contribution, a further 20871.12 € are therefore still to be allocated as expenses of the conference.

This is opposed by donations of 7249.51 € and a grant of 1200 € from EURORDIS, some of which were received directly in conjunction with the conference. 10023.41 € grant to the conference is to be expected by "Aktion Mensch", but will only benefit the budget year 2023.

Income from membership fees was slightly higher than in previous years at 760 €.

The Board

Gesa Bressel, President
Olivier Raguin
Camille Raguin
Gero Bressel, Treasurer

Bockenem, Germany