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Dear colleagues,

It is a little bit more than one year since the last general assembly of SSRMP, and I would like to start my president's report by appreciating SASRO for jointly organizing that meeting in August 2016 in Sursee. My gratitude goes mainly to Günther Gruber and Rachid Boucenna for their efforts and their sincere encouragement to establish not only a scientific program for our members but also a pleasant platform to share ideas and make friends.

At our general assembly in 2016, the new SSRMP board was elected and from this election the board was constituted as follows: Peter Manser (president), Raphaël Moeckli (vice-president and chair of science committee), Frédéric Corminboeuf (chair of education committee), Jean-Yves Ray (chair of professional affairs committee), Roman Menz (secretary), Regina Seiler (treasurer), Yvonne Käser, Stefano Presilla, Markus Notter.

During the last year, we had 6 board meetings and one extra-workshop. The latter took place over a two days period in October 2016 in Burgdorf. On this occasion, the board members invested their time to discuss several topics in a more general manner. It was a good experience and the board members addressed questions like: How to optimize the different SSRMP related

tasks? What could be the vision of SSRMP for the next years? How to make medical physics a profession? Which are the topics to focus on in the upcoming months? Of course, at this workshop, it was not possible to completely give answers to all these questions. But it was important to launch a process, by which all the board members are somewhat streamlined such that efficient work is enabled. To my personal impression, this was a real success and I think we are now working together more effectively.

In the last year, we had multiple SSRMP board activities and I provide a summary with the following keyword list:

- Two AMP meetings (Nov 2016, Jun 2017)
- Actively supporting SSRMP working groups, restructuring working groups and construction of new working group on the transfer of radiation protection ordinance to medical physics practice (RPO2MPP)
- Three meetings with BAG (Aug 2016, Mar 2017, Sep 2017)
- Collaborations with other societies like SRO, SGR, SASRO, DGMP, OEGMP, EFOMP, etc.
- Adjusting the scheme of the oral exams to improve efficiency and efficacy
- Clarifications with respect to "Gemeinnützigkeit" and taxes

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- Communication about SSRMP board activities in the context of the revision of rad. prot. ordinance and development of further communication strategies like the installation of "Talk to the board" and the systematic reports about board activities on AMP meetings
- Improving Bulletin style and design
- Research grant 2017
- Varian prize 2017

It is worth mentioning that the collaboration within the board is a real pleasure and I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the board members for their willingness to support SSRMP in such a way. It is definitely not self-evident that people are interested in being so active for SSRMP and their members while having full calendars and work responsibilities "at home". I know that it is hard to be involved so deeply and that's why you definitely deserve my sincere gratitude. To the best of my knowledge, however, I am persuaded that the board's actions have a huge and positive impact and that the commitment of all the board members to SSRMP (as a society as well as to all the individual members) is not only relevant but highly valuable.

In addition to board activities, there were activities of the permanent committees of SSRMP and more details can be found in their individual reports. Moreover, thanks to many individuals, SSRMP members and their partners could benefit from different events. One of them was the continuous education day 2016 in Bern on the topic of Monte Carlo simulations. Many thanks go to Michael Fix (Inselspital, Bern) and the distinguished speakers. Another important event was the SSRMP education course 2017 in Zurich on "Medical Physics in Nuclear Medicine", organized by Frédéric Corminboeuf (La Source, Lausanne), Silvano Gnesin (IRA-CHUV, Lausanne) and Konstaninos Zeimpekis (University Hospital

Zurich). The 2-days course was well attended and positive feedbacks were given to the organizers.

In 2017, SSRMP did not organize a scientific annual meeting in Switzerland due to the organization of the Dreiländertagung of DGMP, OEGMP and SSRMP, which took place in September 2017 in Dresden, Germany. As in times, in the years Dreiländertagung, the SSRMP board organizes the general assembly in the context of a continuous education day taking place on October 27, 2017 in Solothurn. I would like to thank Raphaël Moeckli and Jean-François Germond (IRA-CHUV, Lausanne) and as well as Norbert Klippel (Inselspital, Bern and Radio-Onkologie, Solothurn ROSOL) for their support in organizing this event.

Eventually, I would like to look ahead to the next year. Several challenges are waiting for us as a society as well as individuals. We are all going to deal with the implementation of new procedures due to the new radiation protection ordinance. which is valid by the beginning of 2018. In this context, as already preliminarily discussed in the RPO2MPP working group, we are confronted with topics like clinical audits, continuous education strategies, dose reporting for image guided radiotherapy, etc. In addition, SSRMP board is going to continue its work and to collaborate internally with the permanent committees as well as externally with their partners. I look forward to the upcoming year and I can assure that the board is going to address all the challenges with great care.

Peter Manser,

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