



Minutes of the CEGSS Steering Committee Meeting which took place on June 30th, 2022, during the 26th International Symposium on Separation Sciences (26th ISSS) held on June 28th – July 1st, 2022) in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

The meeting of the CEGSS Steering Committee was held on Thursday, June 30th, 2022, between 16.00 and 17.00 o'clock, in the Auditorium of the Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Technology, University of Ljubljana, Večna pot 113, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

CEGSS Steering Committee made up of the national representatives of the following societies:

Present National Representatives:

1. Bogusław BUSZEWSKI, president,
Polish Chemical Society, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń, Poland.
2. Virginia COMAN, general secretary,
Romanian Chemical Society, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania.
3. Irena VOVK, chairwoman of 26-ISSS 2022
Slovenian Chemical Society, National Institute of Chemistry, Ljubljana, Slovenia.
4. Danilo CORRADINI,
Italian Chemical Society, Italian National Research Council, Rome, Italy.
5. Imre KLEBOVICH,
Hungarian Society for Separation Sciences, Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary.
6. Erwin ROSENBERG,
Austrian Society of Analytical Chemistry, Vienna University of Technology, Vienna, Austria.
7. Modest GERTSIUK,
Ukrainian Chromatographic Society, Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine.
8. Danijela AŠPERGER instead of Tomislav BOLANČA proposed by him,
Croatian Society of Chemical Engineers, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia.
9. Róbert GÓRA,
Slovak Chemical Society, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia.
10. Živoslav TESIČ,
Serbian Chemical Society, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia.

Absent National Representatives

1. Dušan BEREK †, honorary president,
Slovak Chemical Society, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava, Slovakia.
2. Michal HOLČAPEK,
Czech Chemical Society, University of Pardubice, Pardubice, Czech Republic.

Invited present person:

1. Václav KAŠIČKA, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Prague; EuSSS secretary.

PROPOSED AGENDA for the meeting of the CEGSS Steering Committee in the occasion of the 26th ISSS'2022 Symposium

1. Welcome address (B. Buszewski)
2. Acceptance of the meeting agenda (B. Buszewski)
3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the February 2022 ONLINE MEETING (B. Buszewski)
4. *In Memoriam* of Dušan BEREK, Pavel JANDERA and Milan HUTTA.
5. Report on the current situation of the 26th ISSS 2022 (Irena Vovk)
6. Discussions on CEGSS activity (B. Buszewski)
7. The special edition of Separations, current status and problems (B. Buszewski, E. Rosenberg)
8. The next CEGSS conferences (V. Coman)
9. The end of the meeting (B. Buszewski)

1. Welcome address

CEGSS meeting was opened by the president of CEGSS Steering Committee, Boguslav Buszewski, who welcomed the Steering Committee members. All participants expressed their joy to see each other again, in physical form, after two years of the pandemic.

2. Acceptance of the meeting agenda

Boguslav Buszewski presented the agenda of the CEGSS meeting which was unanimously accepted and further he chaired the meeting. The discussions and the decisions taken during this meeting are summarized below.

3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the ONLINE MEETING that took place on Thursday, February 10th, 2022, 13.00 CET via ZOOM. Meeting ID: 973 6418 2415; Passcode: PHC6j0; Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/97364182415?pwd=MXhOZ2plZHBSZmZlRy9lY25sVDJYZz09>

The presented Minutes by Virginia Coman was unanimously accepted.

4. In memory of Dušan BEREK, Pavel JANDERA and Milan HUTTA, who have left us forever, a moment of reflection and peace to remember and honour them, has been preserved.

Professor Dušan Berek († end of June, 2022), honorary president, died in the line of duty, arriving at the symposium, but unfortunately unable to actively participate in it. Professor Pavel Jandera († August 5th, 2021) was the former representative of Czech Chemical Society and Co-chairman of the 20th ISSS, Prague 2014. Professor Milan Hutta († February 20th, 2021) was the representative of the Slovak Chemical Society and Chairman of the 24th ISSS, Jasná 2018.

5. Report on the current situation of the 26th ISSS 2022

Irena Vovk, symposium chairwoman, presented a brief report of the ongoing 26th International Symposium on Separation Sciences (ISSS 2022) concerning participants, countries, exhibiting companies (18 sponsors and donors; 7 media partners).

The ISSS 2022 was organised together with the 25th International Symposium for High-Performance Thin-Layer Chromatography (HPTLC 2022) being attended by 234 registered participants from academia and industry, from 31 countries from Europe, Asia, America and Australia.

The scientific program included 3 plenaries and 23 keynote lectures given by leading specialists in the field, 17 oral presentations, 21 oral presentations of young scientists, and 86 poster presentations, 3 lectures by manufacturers and 2 workshops. The abstracts were published in the *Book of Abstracts* of 26- ISSS Symposium (183 pages, ISBN 978-961-6104-78-4), edited by Irena Vovk, Vesna Glavnik and Maja Bensa from the Laboratory for Food Chemistry, National Institute of Chemistry, Ljubljana (Slovenia).

Both symposia were organized by the National Institute of Chemistry, the Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Technology (University of Ljubljana), the Section of Analytical Chemistry of the Slovenian Chemical Society under the auspices of the Central European Group of Separation Science, the European Society for Separation Science and the European Chemical Society.

Awards given during ISSS 2022, at the opening and closing ceremonies.

Central European Group for Separation Sciences awards
will be presented in recognition of important contributions to the development of separation science.

European Society for Separation Science
Nemst-Tswett award from the European Society for Separation Science (EuSSS) will be presented to Professor Coral Barbas Boadiladel Monte, (Spain) and Professor Janusz Pawliszyn, (Waterloo, Canada).

Professor Andrzej Waksmundzki Medal Award from the Polish Academy of Science
award will be presented to Professor Luigi Mondello (Messina, Italy).



26th ISSS 2022 Award for Oral Presentation by Young Researchers

- Best Oral Presentation by Young Researchers sponsored by Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry, Springer
Taja Verovšek
- Silver Prize for Oral Presentation by Young Researcher
Anja Kristl
- Bronze Prize for Oral Presentation by Young Researcher
Luca Menegoz Ursol



26th ISSS 2022 Best Poster Awards

Best Poster Award
Renata Gadzala-Kapciuch for Poster P-57

- Silver poster prize
Maja Bensa for Poster P-38
- Bronze poster prize
Petra Szabolcs for Poster P-15
- Best Poster Presentation by Young Researchers sponsored by Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry, Springer
Eco Aydin for Poster P-1



6. Discussions on CEGSS activity can be summarized as follows:

- changes to the CEGSS statute (mission and rules) to improve it
- homepage update
- change of the representative of Hungary
- information about EuSSS and 33rd ISC 2022 (33rd International Symposium on Chromatography), held in Budapest, 18-22 September 2022.

Professor Imre Klebovich, the representative of Hungarian Society for Separation Sciences in CEGSS, required to be replaced by Krisztián HORVÁTH, associated professor at the University of Pannonia (Veszprém, Hungary), recommended by the Hungarian Society for Separation Sciences through the letter from the end of this Minutes. On behalf of the CEGSS Steering Committee, Bogusław Buszewski thanks Imre Klebovich for all his fruitful work in CEGSS and wishes him good health.

7. The special edition of Separations, current status and problems

Bogusław Buszewski mentioned the persons which sent the asked materials and thanks them. Erwin Rosenberg waits for the missing reports for the Open Access journal "Separations" of the publisher MDPI (<https://www.mdpi.com/journal/separations>) for a more intensive collaboration with the CEGSS.

8. The schedule of ISSS symposia according to the Minutes of 25-ISSS from Łódź is:

2020: 26th ISSS – Slovenia, organized by Irena Vovk together with the HPTLC Symposium (June – July).

2021: 27th ISSS – Ukraine, Lviv, organized by Modest Gertsyuk (End of June – July).

2022: 28th ISSS – Romania, Cluj-Napoca, organized by Virginia Coman (End of August – September).

2023: 29th ISSS – Italy, Rome, organized by Danilo Corradini.

2024: 30th ISSS – Serbia, Belgrade, organized by Živoslav Tesič.

Due to the pandemic, ISSS symposia were postponed for two years, and now, due to the war in Ukraine, the schedule of is as follows:

2022: 26th ISSS – Slovenia, organized by Irena Vovk together with the HPTLC Symposium (June – July).

2023: 27th ISSS – Romania, Cluj-Napoca, organized by Virginia Coman (September).

2024: 28th ISSS – Italy, Rome, organized by Danilo Corradini.

2025: 29th ISSS – Serbia, Belgrade, organized by Živoslav Tesič.

Therefore, the next symposium (27-ISSS) will take place in Cluj-Napoca, Romania, on September 24–27, 2023, at a location to be announced. During the Closing Ceremony, Virginia Coman will present the first announcement in ppt.

9. The end of the meeting

All members of the CEGSS Steering Committee agree with these proposals. Bogusław Buszewski thanked the participants for attending the meeting.

Cluj-Napoca, December 18, 2022

Virginia Coman



December 8, 2022

**To the members of the Board of the
Central European Group for Separation Sciences**

Dear Colleagues,

Hereby I inform you that upon the decision of the Board of the Hungarian Society for Separation Sciences (HSSS), the representative of HSSS in the Central European Group for Separation Sciences will be Dr. Krisztián Horváth of the University of Pannonia (Veszprém, Hungary) as of December 1, 2022.

We are indeed grateful to Professor Imre Klebovich for all his diligent work and efforts as our previous representative to the Board of CEGSS.

With best regards,



Dr. Attila Felinger
President, HSSS

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