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Dear Members,

2015 is close to the end. Sadly to say it will be remembered for the dramatic terroristic events in Paris and throughout the world.

Our duty as AECVP has been to reinforce collaborations between sister societies and between our members. We have done quite well, being active in many fields, lecturing at international meetings, organizing joint-sessions with other associations (ESC in London, ESP in Belgrade, Banff conference in Vancouver, SCVP in Seattle). Moreover, in collaboration with SCVP we have published the paper on inflammation of the aorta and finalized the paper on the degenerative pathology of the aorta.

2016 will be the year of our Biennial meeting, the association biennial appointment which has reached its 7th edition. This represents the main appointment of our group and I warmly invite you not to miss it. It will be held in Cologne, 23-24 September 2016, preceding the ESP/IAP 2016 meeting. Preliminary topics are: Aortic valve and aortic root pathology and treatment; Hot topics in Cardiology; Cardiac imaging/legal/diagnostic. All the information regarding the program, registration, abstract submission deadline will be available soon and posted on the website (usual abstract submission deadline mid-spring). For ESP meeting 25-29 September 2016 see website (<http://www.esp-congress.org/>)

The second important appointment will be the **International Academy of Legal Medicine 2016** (IALM Intersocietal Symposium) in Venice on the 21- 24 June 2016- see website for all the information (www.ialm2016venice.org). Note the abstract submission deadline 31st December 2015.

Other important appointments:

- The European Society of Cardiology meeting in Rome, 27 - 31 August 2016. See website for all the information: <http://www.escardio.org/Congresses-&-Events/Upcoming-congresses/ESC-Congress/ESC-Congress>
- European Society of Organ Transplantation 2016
- SCVP 2016 annual meeting in Seattle, 12-13 March 2016 (<http://www.scvp.net/Meetings.html>)
- ISHLT 2016 annual meeting in Washington, DC, USA 27-30 April 2016, (<http://www.isHLT.org/>).



2016 will see also the publication of the book on pathology of cardiac transplantation, thanks to the collaborative efforts of many of our members.

Unfortunately the contacts with our American sister Society (SCVP) for collaborative projects have failed to produce, at least until now, positive feedback. That is why, in the next year, we will be involved in two European projects: 1) reviewing the Guidelines on Sudden Cardiac Death and 2) preparing a paper on the current situation of autopsies for SCD in Europe.

The board will convene on the 30th January 2016 in Padua to discuss our projects and future activities.

A Merry Christmas and happy New Year to all of you

Warmest wishes

Annalisa Angelini

President AECVP