



## President update

Dear members, dear colleagues,

I hope that you are all well, I am happy to send you an update on what we have been up to in the last few weeks and what's ahead of us at SECEC!

First of all, I would like to reflect on the great moments we shared at the [ICSES in Rome](#) with those of you who could attend, your presence and active participation made the congress truly memorable. We are now gearing up towards the next [SECEC Congress](#) which will be held in **Munich** on September 4-6 2024. Patric Raiss and Kilian Wegmann are working hard together with the Programme Committee to offer you the best scientific congress experience with new types of sessions and great networking and learning opportunities!

In the coming days, a call for ICLs will be sent out to all members. This is your opportunity to actively participate in the scientific programme in Munich. I encourage each of you to apply online. Stay tuned also for abstract submission which will open in a few weeks!

During our time in Rome, we collectively achieved an important milestone for the association. Indeed, the update of our [statutes](#) approved at the General Assembly and later endorsed by more than 85% of voting members, marks a significant step forward. We will now have three main membership categories: Full, Junior and Corresponding (open to professionals outside of SECEC countries). SECEC Full membership will now also be open to more countries and I am delighted with this move towards more accessibility and inclusivity.

The ICSES in Rome was also an opportunity to organize a farewell celebration for [Sylvie Noel](#) who has now retired after 34 years of service to SECEC. We are very grateful for all that Sylvie has done for the association and wish her the best for her

well deserved retirement!

I am glad to say that our association is growing stronger. We are excited to welcome **Roger van Riet** from Belgium as our new President Elect, bringing his specific expertise in elbow surgery, which will undoubtedly enrich our society. Additionally, we have [two new committee chairs](#) and [twelve new committee members](#), all of whom are dedicated to advancing our shared goals. Our committees are working on various topics (education/ multicentric studies/ fellowships/ membership...), to offer high-quality content to SECEC members throughout the year.

The SECEC Office is also growing with the recruitment of a new staff member Marie Bougrain (Association Coordinator). Welcome on board everyone!

Lastly, I would like to congratulate the [2023 Didier Patte Awardee](#), **Philipp Moroder** (Switzerland), for his outstanding work entitled "*The ABC of Posterior Shoulder Instability*" which will be published soon. I would also like to mention the two teams (**Raúl Barco et al.** and **Enrico Bellato et al.**) awarded **SECEC research grants** for their very promising projects. Each team will receive **20,000 EUR** to carry out their studies, with results that will undoubtedly benefit SECEC members in the long term.

Thank you all for being part of the SECEC Community. Together, we continue to shape the future of shoulder and elbow care in Europe and beyond and I am very happy to be leading the association at this exciting time!

With best regards,



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SECEC President