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Dear Friends,

It has been some months since the kick-off of our RSA society in Adelaide Australia, but the official birth of the RSA society at a Dutch notary has been established.

We look back on a very fruitful meeting, thanks for the help of Bogdan Salomon, Stuart Callary, David Campbell, Donald Howie and the RSA team of the new Royal Adelaide Hospital. Looking into the near future some interesting challenges are presenting themselves. Although our main goal is to bring the importance of RSA clinical research to a wider audience than just the research community, a first step is to have a formal entity. For that matter, The International Radiostereometry Society is now officially established by a notary in Leiden, The Netherlands. The website <http://www.radiostereometry.org> is now online. Please give some comment on content.

The next meeting will be in Aarhus, Denmark, from April 4 to April 6, 2019. Maiken Stilling and her group will be the host (an invitation letter will follow shortly).

As was discussed during the last RSA meeting, (international) collaboration is key to put RSA to the next level. For this we have also installed the Edward Valstar award (1000 euro grant) for presented research at the RSA meetings. Another option to stimulate international collaboration is to have an educational / research travelling fellowship for interested researchers of 2-3 months duration. At present we are looking for sponsors for this.

We would like to continue to encourage all researchers to become involved in the RSA society. Interested members can send an email to r.g.h.h.nelissen@lumc.nl or int.rsa.soc@gmail.com

The board has had numerous discussions, as directed by the society, regarding membership fees. We feel a membership fee is necessary for the vitality of the society and have decided upon a modest fee of 75 euro. The fee can be deducted from the registration fee for the bi-annual meeting for early registration and brings additional benefits such as application for travelling fellowships to RSA centers.

Finally, we are very interested in your opinion about our society, such as its mission, future activities, etc. Please don't hesitate to make comments or suggestions (r.g.h.h.nelissen@lumc.nl or int.rsa.soc@gmail.com).

Hope to see you all in Aarhus next year. We are very interested in your opinion about our society (e.g. its mission, future activities), but also on proposals for an *RSAsociety* Logo. Please contact.

Best wishes,

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