

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into effective on 12.05.2020 by and between the **European Society of Gynaecological Oncology ("ESGO")**, a Swiss not-for-profit organization residing at the address Rue François-Versonnex 7, 1207 Geneva, Switzerland representing by Professor Philippe Morice, ESGO President, and **Bulgarian Association of Oncological Gynaecology ("BAOG")**, a not-for-profit organization residing at the address ul Plovdivsko pole 6, Sofia, Bulgaria, representing by Professor Galina Chakalova, BAOG President

WHEREAS, the ESGO is the leading European learning organization of health care professionals that strives to improve the health and the wellbeing of women with gynaecological cancers through prevention, research, excellence in care and education. prevention, education, research and treatment of

WHEREAS, the BAOG is the leading based professional body of health providers working and researching the area of gynaecological cancers including medical practitioners, clinical nurse specialists and other allied professionals who have an interest in gynaecological cancers.

WHEREAS, the ESGO calls to create close relationships with leading country-based organisations with similar aims and objectives representing the health care professionals and researchers involved in gynaecological cancers by affiliation to ESGO. The ESGO further calls for creation of a pan European Gynaecological Cancer Coalition which will be a platform of leading country-based organisations affiliated to ESGO to strengthen their relationships, to network, share ideas and best practices, promote the gynaecological oncology as a multidisciplinary subspecialty, provide cross-European training opportunities and exchanges, raise awareness, and make the European voice of gynae-cancer professionals heard by policy makers.

WHEREAS, the BAOG wishes to join this coalition, contribute to the pan European exchanges, networking and advocacy and become an ESGO affiliated organisation.

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Benefits from mutual cooperation

1.1. ESGO propose to BAOG, to join and/or benefit from the following offerings:

- Access to the BAOG members to the ESGO educational resources and free access to ESGO eAcademy limited to nine (9) months.
 - The ESGO eAcademy is the information and eLearning platform that provide the state-of-the-art continuing medical education in format of recorded distinguish lectures, podcasts, ESGO meetings and courses webcasts and slides, CME accredited eModules and surgical video library.

- Access to the BAOG members to the ESGO scientific resources and mainly to set of slides with selected oral presentations from ESGO congresses (Best of ESGO) for presentation at the local meeting(s) or webinars.
- Involvement of BAOG in external review of ESGO guidelines.
- Involvement of BAOG as an official partner of panEuropean campaigns aiming to increase awareness about gynaecological cancers.
- Become a consulting body to ESGO Board to help identify possible candidates to ESGO elections with keeping an option of spontaneous applications of members
- Participation of the young BAOG members in activities of the European Network of Young Gynaecological Oncologists (ENYGO)
- Identification and participation of local national patient advocacy groups in ENGAGE (European Network of Gynaecological Cancer Advocacy Groups) and its activities
- Join the ESGO advocacy efforts to create a unique European voice of Gynaecological Oncology to be heard by policy makers at European level and worldwide, and mainly
 - Support and join the ESGO initiatives related to gynaecological cancers within the EU Plan 'Beat the Cancer' and across the entire Europe.
 - Join and help create the panEuropean Coalition to Eliminate the Cervical Cancer initiated by ESGO to lobby at policy makers at Europe's country levels and at EU Parliament.
 - Join the ESGO efforts to create a unique European voice in the WHO Plan of elimination of cervical cancer.

1.2. BAOG propose to ESGO, and ESGO agree to join or benefit from the following offerings:

- Promote the ESGO membership and educational offering sand mainly the free access to the eAcademy through the newsletters, social media and conferences
- Counsel the ESGO in topics related to its region and help identify possible candidates to ESGO elections with keeping an option of spontaneous applications of members
- Contribute to ESGO activities
 - Contribute by local experts to ESGO educational activities mainly in Europe's lower resource countries (ESGO team of Teachers)
 - Contribute to the ESGO Travel fellowship program and Short clinical visits by identifying possible hosting institutions in UK.
 - Others identified as mutually beneficial by both parties
- Organise an ESGO session at its scientific meeting, and/or jointly organise an educational opportunity for local young gynae-oncologists (in cooperation with ENYGO) prior to the meeting if relevant.

1.3. Both societies agreed to strengthen the communication in between both parties and visibility of the partnership

- Offer branding, mutual visibility and involvement in the European Gynaecological Cancer Coalition and affiliation to ESGO at a prominent place of the organization's website.

- ESGO offers a page under the Network that include the BAOG logo (if appropriate), information about the organisation, leadership, membership and upcoming events, and a link to the BAOG website.
- BAOG offers a page that include the ESGO logo, information about the organization, leadership, membership and upcoming events, and a link to the ESGO website.
- Hold a dialogue between the leadership of ESGO and BAOG and other European entities to discuss challenges and opportunities facing the organizations and the gynae cancer subspecialty.
 - Hold leadership meetings that will occur once per year or as needed in person or via conference call.
 - Participate and liaise with ESGO and other members of the Coalition at the European Gynaecological Oncology Summit organized biennially by ESGO with the aim to put together leaders of European's learning organizations dedicated to the gynae cancers to discuss the topics of common interests.

2. Fees

There are no fees or financial compensations related to this agreement.

3. Term

The term of the agreement will be for a minimum of two (2) years, without any termination for convenience on the part of ESGO and BAOG and will automatically renew for additional two (2) year period. The agreement may be terminated by either party at the end of the initial two-year term or any renewal term upon ninety (90) days prior written notice.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, by their signatures below, the parties have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed and effective as of 12.05.2020 Date.

Organizational Signatures:

Date: 12.05.2020

Prof P. Morice
ESGO President

Prof. N. Concin
ESGO President-Elect

Prof. Denis Querleu
ESGO Past President

FOR BAOG,
President: Prof. Galina Chakalova

Council Members Signatures: Prof. Grigor Gorchev
Prof. Slavcho Tomov
Prof. Stefan Kovachev

Dr. Svetoslav Slavov
Dr. Ilia Karagiozov
Dr. Mariana Sayceva

Date: 12.05.2020