Dear IPVS board members and IPVS community,

We kindly accept the IPVC 2020 profit share usually assigned to the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) to show gratitude and appreciation of the work and time invested in organization of the conference.

Firstly, we want to thank IPVS for its contribution to the papillomavirus field (HPV in particular) in all its disciplines. We are grateful for its contribution, which helps achieving the ultimate goal of anyone involved in this field: to accomplishing the deepest HPV knowledge possible for the prevention and management of papillomavirus-related diseases.

Consequently, we aim to contribute to this aim with the LOC’s IPVC 2020 profit share. We will work hard to make sure we return the investment to the IPVS community in different forms.

As usual, the profit share for the LOC is the 10% of the conference profits. Considering the investment that IPVC 2020’s LOC made for this conference as well as the extra funds they obtained and allocated for registration grants to the conference, we propose to use the profit share of IPVC 2020 on the purposes expressed in the attached document (Annex: IPVC 2020 profit share use proposal). Overall, we aim to use the LOC profit share on:

1. Travel and Registrations for IPVC2020’s LOC and for CERP (ICO) members at future IPVCs
2. Educational purposes in the field of HPV
3. Travel and Registration grants at IPVC 2021 for selected applicants from some European countries and from Central and South American countries

With this we’ll try to make a significant contribution to the HPV field, to make our best for the IPVS community.

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Annex: IPVC 2020 profit share use proposal

Profit share for the LOC

The profit share for the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) has been established to be 10% of the conference profits and it was accorded that these funds must be used in the field of HPV research or in related purposes.

IPVC 2020: Proposal outline on how the LOC funds would be used in the field of HPV research

2020’s LOC proposes to use its profit share of IPVC 2020 on the following purposes:

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1/2: 50% of the Profit Share

Considering the investment that IPVC 2020’s LOC made for the conference (a full-time project manager) as well as the extra funds they obtained and allocated for registration grants (“la Caixa” Foundation grants), 2020’s LOC plans to use 50% of the Profit share on Travel and Registrations at future IPVCs for the 2020’s LOC and for other members of the Cancer Epidemiology Research Program (CERP) at the Catalan Institute of Oncology (ICO)*:

If future IPVCs have an on-site/virtual mixed format:

- Travel and Registrations will be covered for the IPVC 2020’s LOC members (Silvia de Sanjosé, Xavier Bosch, Laia Alemany, Laia Bruni, Miquel Àngel Pavón, Marisa Mena, Marta del Pino), while Registrations only will be covered for other members at CERP (to be selected in the future).

If future IPVCs are on-site:

- Travel and Registrations will be covered for as many members at CERP as possible, including IPVC 2020’s LOC members.

If future IPVCs are only virtual:

- Registrations will be covered for as many members at CERP as possible, including IPVC 2020’s LOC members.

* If after registering LOC and CERP members at IPVC 2021 there are still remaining funds, these can be spent on registrations on future IPVCs (e.g. IPVC 2023, etc.).

2/2: 50% of the Profit Share

The other 50% of the Profit share, 2020’s LOC plans to use it on Educational purposes in the field of HPV as well as on Travel and Registration grants at IPVC2021 for applicants from European countries and Central and South American countries.

- Educational purposes in the field of HPV: BCN Screening School
The Catalan Institute of Oncology (ICO) in partnership with the Open University of Catalonia (UOC) is organizing the “Barcelona Screening School”, an online educational program containing the state-of-the-art screening approaches and its related concepts. The first course of this program, currently under development, is about HPV-based Cervical Cancer screening and tackles the principles of cancer prevention in relation to HPV and the impact of HPV vaccination in screening.

This course aims to be an educational foundation on screening for the WHO Global Strategy for Cervical Elimination. It is addressed to European healthcare professionals and technical personnel involved in program implementation. The course directors are F.X. Bosch, S. de Sanjose and L. Bruni.

For its international scope, the course is intended to be offered in several languages; it will firstly be developed in English although it is also intended to be offered in Spanish (to be adapted to Latin America settings too) and potentially in other languages in the future.

Therefore, 2020’s LOC proposes to invest the remaining funds of the LOC’s IPVC 2020 profit share on the Cervical Cancer screening course from the Barcelona Screening School for:

1. Spanish translation of the course
2. Spanish course virtualization
3. Participants’ Registration grants to the Spanish course at the UOC

Considering that the Spanish version of the Cervical cancer screening course might not end up using the whole 50% of the Profit share, the 2020’s LOC proposes to invest the remaining funds, if any, on Travel and Registration grants at IPVC2021 for applicants from European, Central and South American countries.

- **Travel and Registration grants at IPVC 2021 for selected applicants from certain European countries** and from any Central and South American countries.

The selection criteria for the grant would be:

1. Only applicants that submitted and got accepted an abstract to the conference will be considered.
2. Only applicants from the specified countries will be considered.
3. Applicants’ abstracts selected for an oral communication will be prioritized for the selection before applicants which abstracts were selected for a Poster.
4. Applicants from the lowest GNI per capita will be prioritized for the selection.
5. After applying the first four selection criteria, the rating of the applicants’ abstracts will be considered: the highest rated applicants’ abstracts will be prioritized.
6. Lastly, the proportion of tracks from the applicants’ abstracts will also be considered. According to the number of applicants from each track (Public Health, Clinical Research, Basic Sciences), there will be estimated how many grants should be given to each track.

**Only applicants from the following European countries can be eligible for a grant:**

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Low income (L)
Lower middle income (LM)
Upper middle income (UM)
High income (H)

The list of European countries was determined according to the countries at the European continent with the lowest Gross National Income (GNI) per capita in 2018. The threshold line was determined at Spain (29320 GNI per capita). GNI per capita was used for the selection of the countries included in the grant as this is the measurement used for the classification by income group of the world-wide economies by the World Bank Group: low, lower-middle, upper-middle, and high. 2020’s data was not available yet when this document was written and 2019’s data was missing some GNI values for some countries; thus 2018’s data was taken into consideration.

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