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1. HISTORY OF S.I.C.O.T.

The International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery was founded in Paris on 10 October 1929 by 21 of the most eminent specialists in the field whose authority was unreservedly acknowledged the world over. They represented 12 different countries in total. The Founders of SICO were fired with a twin vision:

- although membership was initially restricted to a small group of specialists, SICO was to "gradually enlarge the organisation so that older men could lead the younger in serious work".

- to establish "a more manageable and equally effective machine for progress and fraternization" (Sir Harry Platt, in subsequent correspondence

One year later, in October 1930, the Society held its first Congress in Paris chaired by that primus inter pares Sir Robert Jones (1858-1933). By this time, SICO had encompassed three more countries and a further four were in the course of applying for membership. Quotas were defined for each country. And from that day those two figures – the total number of countries and the quotas by country – have gone from strength to strength. By this time, the Society had grown to 81 Members. The second Congress held in London in 1933 attracted 110 participants and the roll of Members had risen to 216. Nineteen countries were now represented on the International Committee.

The Third Congress chaired by V. Putti (1880-1940) and held in Bologna and Rome in September 1936, marked a milestone in the life of the Society when its objectives were extended to embrace Traumatology. SICO thus became transmuted into SICOT: the International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology.

By now, the Society boasted 262 Members and the time was felt ripe to increase the quotas per country – tangible proof of the interest aroused in orthopaedic surgeons and traumatologists the world over. The "impact" was clearly making itself felt.

Plans for the fourth Congress scheduled for Berlin in 1939 were thwarted by the outbreak of World War II.

After a long period of inactivity, the threads of activity were picked up again in a meeting in Brussels in October 1946. The driving force behind this initiative was the man who had been the Secretary General of the Society since its inception and who was destined to remain in that post until 1954 prior to being elected President of the Society in 1957: Jean Delchef (1882-1962), so powerfully assisted in the task by Sir Harry Platt.

The venues of our Congresses and Conferences bear eloquent witness both to the vitality and unflagging growth of SICOT:

Triennial World Congresses
- 4th Congress AMSTERDAM 1948
- 5th Congress STOCKHOLM 1951
- 6th Congress BERN 1954
- 7th Congress BARCELONA 1957
- 8th Congress NEW YORK 1960
- 9th Congress VIENNA 1963
- 10th Congress PARIS 1966
- 11th Congress MEXICO 1969
- 12th Congress TEL AVIV 1972
- 13th Congress COPENHAGEN 1975
As current membership, SICOT has today nearly 11,000 Members coming from some 115 countries, including the Corresponding Members from India and France.

After the approval of the U.S. Resolution in 1984, SICOT began its mutation to adapt itself to modern times with a new Constitution and Bylaws. The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee have been remodelled by this new philosophy. Standing Committees and Subspecialty Committees have been created.

"INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS" is the official Journal of SICOT, and SICOT Members are encouraged to contribute.

The privileged relations of SICOT with WHO (World Health Organisation), SIROT (International Research Society for Orthopaedic and Traumatology), WOC (World Orthopaedic Concern) and other affiliated societies should be mentioned.

In conclusion, it can be said that the ideas of the Founders of SICOT have been fully vindicated and that today SICOT has a truly international orthopaedic destiny.
2. REGULATIONS

1. The "Policies and Procedures Manual" (P.P.M.) shall be the permanent and current record of the administrative policies and procedures of the Society (Institutional Memory).

2. It is the addendum to the Bylaws (see BL 15) as referred to in many articles.

3. Any Officer or Chairman of any organisational structure of SICOT may make recommendations.

4. All proposals shall be sent to the Secretary General for consideration by the Executive Committee and approval by the Board of Directors.

5. Any Standing Committee shall be consulted when appropriate.

6. The Constitution and Bylaws Committee shall make the final recommendations for consistency with the Constitution and Bylaws.

7. After their approval by the Board of Directors the decisions made come immediately into force.

8. The Secretary General shall be responsible at all times for keeping the Policies and Procedures Manual up-to-date.

3. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. Constitutional Officers

1.1. Choice of Constitutional Officers

Any member of the Society in good standing is eligible for these posts.

The Officer Nominating Committee shall submit the nominations to the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors and to the vote of the International Council for final approval by the General Assembly.

Nominations may also be submitted by five National Delegates or 20 members, provided they reach the Secretary General at least one year before the International Council meeting held at the time of the Congress.

The international balance of SICOT is preserved by:

a) its Officers, and is affected by:
   - the election of new officers;
   - the triennial advancement of senior officers on the Board of Directors;
   - the choice of previous Presidents and the countries or regions they represented;
   - current Composition of the different bodies of the Society in general;
   - origin of past President and officers;
   - increased representation from the larger national sections by the International Council.
b) the Congress location, which should vary over the years.

1.2. Criteria for the choice of President-Elect

a) international reputation based on the contribution made to the progress and the development of orthopaedics worldwide;

b) national reputation based on the contribution made to the progress and development of orthopaedics in his/her own country;

c) the importance of services rendered to SICOT (the order of a), b), and c) can be discussed);

d) a sufficient knowledge of the English language.

1.3. Vice-Presidents

1.3.1. Election takes place at a separate meeting of each five regional groups of delegates, held before the meeting of the International Council at the time of the Congress.

1.3.2. Vice-Presidency of North America:

1.3.2.1. An agreement between America and Canada has established that the Vice-President of that geographical section shall be alternatively the National Delegate of each country for one three-year term only.

1.3.2.2. If the Vice-President of this geographical section is absent, he/she will be represented by the National Delegate of the other country in all circumstances (Delegates Meetings, Committees, Commissions, etc.)

1.4. Editorial Secretary

The function of the Editorial Secretary is to ensure, through SICOT publications, website and the internet, better communication and collaboration between Members. He/she should facilitate exchanges of information between member nations; diffuse information about activities of the Society and to report on orthopaedic events throughout the world.

He/she shall receive for information minutes of the Executive Committee meetings when publications of the Society are concerned.

He/she must be able to make practical decisions about the publications (except for International Orthopaedics) involving the day-to-day financial management with the approval of the Executive Committee.

With regard to International Orthopaedics, the Editorial Secretary, the Editor and the Associate Editors will make propositions to reconcile the financial interests of the Society, with the best means of function and improvement of the journal. He/she may be required to produce editorial material for the Society’s Journal.

(See also: “The Journal International Orthopaedics” and “Publications”)
4. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee shall meet twice a year normally: first in the spring and in the autumn before the meeting of the International Council.
2. It may meet at any other time at the wish of the President of the Society.
3. The President of the current and next Orthopaedic World Congress, or their deputy, may participate in the deliberations of the Executive Committee in an advisory capacity.

Executive Director

1. An Executive Director shall be appointed by the Executive Committee.
2. The Executive Director has the authority and responsibility for deciding how the objectives, determined by the Executive Committee and Board of Directors, are to be achieved, subject to review by the Executive Committee.
3. Head Office staff will be accountable for performance to the Executive Committee, through the Executive Director.
4. The Executive Director will be the only employee of the Executive Committee; all other members of staff work for the Executive Director to accomplish the Society's objectives.
5. The Executive Director will be responsible to the President of the Executive Committee and/or Secretary General or any other member of the Executive Committee delegated to this effect by the President or Secretary General.
6. The Executive Director is responsible for the day-to-day management of finances, and will be provided with the material means and human resources necessary for the accomplishment of his/her duties. He/she will report on any difficulties encountered whilst exercising his/her prerogatives, which could interfere with the fulfilment of his/her responsibilities.

5. INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL

Special Members of the International Council

The title of "Special Member of the International Council" may be conferred, by the Board of Directors, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, on SICOT Members who have made important contributions to the development and the running of the Society either as, for example: Past National Delegate, Past Chairman of Committee, or member of any organisational structures of SICOT.

These members may be invited by the President of SICOT, according to paragraph 2 of Article 5.4.1. of the Constitution, to attend the International Council Meetings.
6. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The members of the Executive Committee shall be seated on the platform.

Only Active and Associate Members having paid their membership dues, Emeritus Members, and Distinguished Members, shall be allowed to vote.

If proposals made by the International Council are rejected, they have to be re-discussed during the next International Council meeting.

7. MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP

1. The application forms for membership must be sent to the Secretary General at the SICOT Head Office and are subject to the approval of the National Representative.

2. The Society's membership diploma shall bear the signature of the President and Secretary General of the Society.

3. Proposed names of Distinguished Members shall be sent to the President of the Society at least six months before the next meeting of the International Council.

4. The advantages of Associate membership include:
   - special subscription fees for INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS;
   - reduced registration fees at the SICOT Orthopaedic World Congresses;
   - reduced membership dues.
   (these advantages are given only for six years, i.e. 2 trienniums)

8. STANDING AND SUBSPECIALTY COMMITTEES

1. Terms of Office – General Rules

   a) Members of Committees or of Commissions shall normally be members of the International Council.

   b) Terms of office of Committee members will depend on their mandates on the International Council.

   c) Terms of office of SICOT Officers on these Committees will depend on their mandates in the organisational structure of SICOT.

   d) These regulations concerning the terms of office of Standing and Subspecialty Committee Members apply to:
      - The Publications and Communication Committee (6)
      - The Officer Nominating Committee (3)
      - The Congress Scientific Advisory Committee (10 or more)
      - The Finance Committee (9)
      - The Constitution and Bylaws Committee (10)
      - The Education Committee (10)
      - The Congress Site Committee (7)
- The Computers & Enabling Technologies Subspec. Committee (variable)
- The Foot and Ankle Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Hand Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Hip Arthroplasty Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Infections Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Knee Arthroplasty Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Orthopaedic Microsurgery Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Orthopaedic Research Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Paediatrics Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Shoulder and Elbow Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Spine Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Sports Traumatology and Arthroscopy Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Trauma Subspecialty Committee (variable)
- The Tumours Subspecialty Committee (variable)

e) Any Member of the Society may be appointed to a Committee or Commission, in a consultative capacity, when special expertise or knowledge is required, with the approval of the Board of Directors.

2. Specific Requirements

2.1. Officer Nominating Committee (ONC)

a) Composition:
The three members representing the International Council on this Committee may serve for only three years.

b) Working procedure:
- The ONC shall have in hand, before the meeting of the International Council being held one year in advance of the Congress, all the candidatures for Constitutional Officers of SICOT.
- The ONC shall hold a meeting at that same International Council meeting.
- The Chairman of the ONC shall present a preliminary report at the spring meeting of the Executive Committee before the Congress.
- The final proposed report shall be presented to the Board of Directors prior to the meeting of the International Council held just before the Congress.
- The final report shall be presented for approval and vote to the International Council at its meeting before the Congress.

2.3. Finance Committee

The members at large are determined by the President-Elect and approved by the Board of Directors.

9. SICOT AFFILIATIONS

1. WHO (World Health Organization)

In accordance with the terms of the Principles governing relations between WHO and NGOs, the WHO Executive Board admitted the International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology into official relations with WHO. The basis of an official relationship is a mutually agreed three-year plan collaboration, the results of which are
reviewed by the WHO Executive Board once every three years. This official relation exists since before 1988.

The objectives of WHO's collaboration with NGOs is, inter alia, to promote the policies and strategies derived from the decisions of the governing bodies of WHO.

2. **WOC (World Orthopaedic Concern)**

The President of WOC (or his/her deputy) shall be an ex officio member of the SICOT Education Committee.

The Chairman of the Education Committee (or his/her deputy) shall be an ex officio member of the WOC Executive Committee.

The representative of WOC shall be invited to attend International Council meetings.

3. **SIROT (International Research Society for Orthopaedics and Traumatology)**

An Officer of SIROT shall be proposed as Liaison Officer to SICOT. He/she is invited to attend the meetings of the International Council.

4. **Other Societies**

Other International Societies with the following criteria may be affiliated:
- have prestige;
- are truly international;
- have a Constitution and Bylaws of their own.

In their relations with SICOT they shall be governed by the Constitution and Bylaws of SICOT.

When affiliated, these societies shall propose a representative (also Member of SICOT) for approval by the International Council to serve as Liaison Officer to SICOT. He/she is invited to attend the International Council meetings with no financial allowance from SICOT.

For meetings, congresses, programmes, letterheads, etc. the authorised wording is: "Affiliated to SICOT" or "Affiliated to the Société Internationale de Chirurgie Orthopédique et de Traumatologie (S.I.C.O.T.)" or "Affiliated to the International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology (S.I.C.O.T.)."

SICOT may at any time form a scientific or strategic partnership with any society to realize joint projects of common interest. These temporary partnerships must be approved by the Executive Committee.

**10. THE JOURNAL "INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS"**

1. The Editor, assisted by an Editorial Board, shall be responsible for the scientific content of INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS, the official journal of SICOT.

This shall involve:
- selection of papers with regard to the objectives of the Journal and of the Society;
- the scientific quality of papers;
- the presentation of papers (language and illustration);
- the ethics (recognition of ethical principles);
To facilitate the submission of papers, the Editor shall be an ex officio Member of the Congress Scientific Advisory Committee.

2. The Editorial Board consists of up to 15 SICOT Members, namely the Editor, Associate Editors, Assistant Editors and the Editorial Secretary. In addition, Corresponding Members can be appointed.

3. The members of the Editorial Board are chosen according to the Bylaws by the Editor. The Board meetings may be chaired by the Editor or a chairman chosen by the Editorial Board.

4. The Editorial Board meets in general twice a year on notice of the meeting by the Editor.

5. The Assistant Editors and Corresponding Members serve in an honorary capacity but their expenses can be met.

6. The production team consists of the Editor, the Editorial Secretary, two Associate Editors and the Treasurer. One must be a native English speaker. The production team is chaired by the Editor.

a) The overall responsibility for production of the Journal rests with the Editor who is answerable directly to the Board of Directors. The Editor will require working premises.

b) The Associate Editors shall assist the Editor in grammatical corrections and any alterations necessary for scientific clarity. Subject to the approval of the Editorial Board, the Editor and Associate Editors are at liberty to co-opt other persons to assist with their work.

c) All members of the production team may receive on request an honorarium for their work and their expenses are met.

d) The Editor shall attend the meetings of the International Council. He/she shall report on the activities of the Editorial Board, the publication of INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS, the organisation and the financial situation of the Journal.

e) The Editor is responsible for coordination between the Executive Committee, the Finance Committee, the Publications and Communications Committee, the Editorial Board and the Publishers in matters relating to the publication of INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS.

7. The Editorial Secretary will assist the Editor to improve the finances, publication and circulation of INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS and to assist in reporting to the International Council. He/she may be required to provide editorial material for the Journal.

11. PUBLICATIONS

1. SICOT publishes the Journal "INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS".

1.1. INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS, the official Journal of the SOCIETE INTERNATIONALE DE CHIRURGIE ORTHOPEDIQUE ET DE TRAUMATOLOGIE (SICOT) publishes original papers from all over the world. The articles deal with clinical and basic research connected with orthopaedic surgery and traumatology. INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS will also link all Members of SICOT by publishing information relating to SICOT.
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1.2. "Instructions to Authors" are published in the Journal. They can be modified at any time by the Editorial Board.

1.3. The Journal publishes papers in English.

1.4. Submitted papers are reviewed by a number of referees chosen by the Editor. Members of the Editorial Board and Corresponding Members will assist the Editor in the process of reviewing.

1.5. The final decision on publication is made by the Editor.

1.6. All accepted manuscripts are subject to linguistic corrections. The Associate Editors will assist in this process and share the responsibility for a correct usage of English with the Editor.

2. The SICOT WEBSITE shall reflect all aspects of the Society’s activities and provide links with other relevant Orthopaedic or Traumatology sites. It will provide information, educational material, SICOT news and provide facilities for exchange of information between Members. It will also provide access to information about the journal INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS.

3. The SICOT BULLETIN included in INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS is devoted to official information about the activities of the Society such as the Orthopaedic World Congresses, prizes, continuing medical education, inter-congress activities and announcements of congresses of significant importance held all over the world and related to orthopaedics.

4. The SICOT NEWSLETTER is intended to be an informal medium of exchange between the Society and its Members, between the Members themselves, and between National Sections. The subjects covered by the Newsletter include orthopaedics at large, news from SICOT and orthopaedic societies and any information concerning Members’ activities. The Editorial Secretary will be the Editor of the SICOT Bulletin and the SICOT Newsletter.

5. The SICOT ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER is intended to provide fast communication between the Society and its Members, or persons, institutions and societies interested in musculoskeletal problems. It is distributed monthly and is produced by the Head Office under the guidance of the Editorial Secretary. A special Editorial Board, the Editorial Secretary and Assistant Editorial Secretaries will regularly provide the content for the different sections of the e-Newsletter.

6. Reports and information emanating from the Congress.

7. The Publications and Communications Committee may propose other publications and the name(s) of the Editor in charge.
12. FINANCES

1. Summary

The following shall be considered:

a) Budgets:
   - authority;
   - budget preparation;
   - current annual budget.

b) Cash Management:
   - authority;
   - accounts.

c) Fees:
   - membership dues;
   - Orthopaedic World Congresses;
   - publications.

d) Financial reporting.

(See also "Congress Financial Organisation" and "Finance Committee").

2. Officers' Travel Expenses

Travel authorised by the Executive Committee will be reimbursed upon receipt of completed Travel Expense Report forms with appropriate supporting receipts and documents. Reimbursement will be limited to actual expenditures for travel, lodging and meals directly associated with SICOT activity. The reimbursement policy is to be fixed by the Executive Committee.

3. Committees' Expenses

Committees' expenses may be submitted to the Executive Committee provided they have been agreed upon in advance and presented on the required ad hoc form (including appropriate supporting receipts and documents).

13. CONGRESSES

1. General Organisation, Information and Policies

Congresses will be organised by the SICOT Head Office. Comprehensive Guidelines for Orthopaedic World Congresses have been issued, as well as related application files. These documents are available at the Head Office in Brussels and on the SICOT website.

2. The Scientific Organisation

The SICOT Executive Committee, in agreement with the International Council, assumes full responsibility for the activities of the Congress and for its smooth development. The Congress Scientific Advisory Committee (CSAC) has the right, subject to the agreement of the Executive Committee, to structure the Scientific Programme in respect to selection of invited Speakers, subjects, duration of papers, numbers of papers and means of their delivery.
The CSAC shall:

a) establish a coherent, harmonious and balanced scientific programme, and this in agreement with the Executive Committee of the Society;
b) appoint, with the agreement of the Executive Committee, any Committee or Commission necessary for the proper organisation of activities;
c) consult with the Standing Committees of the Society in respect to matters with which they are concerned;
d) report the state of progress of the organisation, through the Chairman of the CSAC, to each meeting of the Executive Committee and the International Council.

3. The Participants

a) The CSAC and the President of the Congress may, with the agreement of the Executive Committee, invite Speakers (either Members or non-Members) who are eminent in their field and whose participation will enhance the proceedings of the Congress. Travelling or per diem expenses attached to these invitations must be within the budget defined by the Executive Committee.
b) A correct list of these invited Speakers shall be handed to the Secretary General and the Treasurer.
c) Any participant, whether a Member of SICOT or not, wishing to speak or present a free paper, shall be requested to submit an abstract to the CSAC which, after review, may authorise its presentation.
d) Registrants who are not Members of the Society are permitted to participate in the Congress.

4. Paper Presentation

All Speakers must provide appropriate slides or electronic input.

5. The Official SICOT Sessions

a) The Opening Ceremony:
The Opening Ceremony is presided over by the President of the Society in association with the President of the Congress. At the opening session, it is traditional to allot the members of the International Council (National Delegates, Past Presidents, members of the Board of Directors) a place of honour either on the platform or in the immediate vicinity thereof.

b) The Closing Ceremony:
The Closing Ceremony is presided over by the President of the Society.
   (i) on the platform: the Executive Committee of the Society;
   (ii) the programme will include in principle:
        - thanks conveyed to the CSAC and the Congress President on behalf of the Congress Delegates by a National Delegate;
        - official Congress closing.

Before this official closing in Orthopaedic World Congresses, there should be:
- transfer of powers from the President of the Congress to the new Congress President (chain of office);
- transfer of powers from the President of the Society to the President-Elect (chain of office) (every two years);
- statement from the retiring Presidents (every two years);
- summons of the elected Officers of the Board of Directors: new elected President-Elect, Secretary General, Treasurer, Editorial Secretary, and Vice-Presidents (every two years for the President-Elect and every three years for the other Officers);
- the two retiring Congress and SICOT Presidents are presented with commemorative medal/buttons (every two years for the SICOT President);
- speech from the newly elected President of SICOT (every two years).

6. Requirements for SICOT Administration

a) Executive Committee:
   Suitable and correctly located secretarial and meeting premises (including word processor with internet facilities, photocopy facilities, etc.)

b) Meetings:
   Adequate meeting rooms for:
   - the International Council (+/- 100 seats);
   - other Committees (4 or 5 rooms of 10 to 12 seats);
   - the General Assembly (+/- 100 seats).

c) Hotel accommodation:
   All the members of the Executive Committee and the Head Office staff should be accommodated in the same hotel.

7. The Financial Organisation

a) The financial charges of each Congress shall be borne by SICOT. Combined meetings have special conditions contracted with the partner society. At least 90% of the profits will be retained by SICOT. 10% of the net surplus may be allocated to the local host for promotion of SICOT either nationally or internationally. To determine the net surplus, 2/3 of the running costs of the Head Office have to be deducted from the gross surplus: (Congress surplus - (Total SICOT Expenditure - Congress Expenditure) x 0.67) x 0.10.

b) A Congress registration fee shall be charged. It may vary according to the type of participants (Members, non-Members, accompanying persons).
   The amounts of the registration fees are fixed by the Executive Committee.

c) With the agreement of the Executive Committee, the Head Office may make (if needed) financial advances necessary for launching the organisation of the Congress.

d) Requirement to present a budget to the Executive Committee.

14. ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER

Summary for the use of the International Council

A. Order of Business (agenda):
   - the Chairman calls the meeting to order;
   - the minutes of the last meeting: have been circulated or are read. After corrections, they are approved by general consent (assent);
   - reports of Officers;
reports of all Committees. Each report shall be moved and seconded, then discussed after which a vote will be taken.

B. Other Items of Business (order of the day):

a) To be considered by the Assembly, any item of major significance must be submitted in the form of a motion. Definition: a motion shall establish clearly the main idea or the resolution. It is the concrete proposition on which the Assembly shall take an action. Only one motion should be placed before the Assembly at one time. A motion is always debated and may be amended so long as the amendment is not in conflict with the original motion.

b) To be officially considered by the Assembly, this motion must be:
1. "moved" by a first delegate, then
2. "seconded" by a second delegate.
These two steps constitute the fundamental procedure mainly used in English-speaking countries.

c) The motion is now officially before the Assembly and the Chairman opens the discussion. As a general rule, members may speak only once to a specific motion. They may speak again at the discretion of the Chairman.

d) After the discussion is closed, the motion is put to the vote of the Assembly.

e) Amendments to alter or improve a motion may be proposed by the meeting. The Chairman may ask the Assembly if these amendments can be included in the original motion. The amendments must be moved and then seconded after which a discussion may take place before a vote on the amendment is held. Any amendment must not be contrary to the original motion. If an amendment motion is carried then this motion becomes the formal motion before the chair. If the amendment motion is lost, the original motion is then the motion before the chair.