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FROM THE EXECUTIVE & THE EXECUTIVE ELECT

To all members and candidates of EPF Societies

and to all registered participants of the projected 33rd EPF Conference Vienna, April 2-5, 2020

March,1st, 2020

Dear colleagues,

You all know that the coronavirus is currently spreading all over Europe and that we are facing a potential pandemic.

Against this background and after a long and deep discussion, the members of the present and newly elected EPF Executives have decided to cancel the projected Annual Conference in Vienna this year and to postpone the scientific program to the next Annual Conference in Nice, March 25-28, 2021.

We deeply regret being forced to take this decision, but as a federation we feel responsible for the prevention of health risks for our conference attendants. After weighing up the different aspects, we came to the conclusion that we are not able to foresee the development of the corona epidemic/pandemic and its implications in the course of the next weeks. In particular, we cannot assess the risk of a potential quarantine for conference attendants, and so we had to make this very regrettable decision.

We trust you will appreciate and understand our decision.

The conference fees already paid will be refunded. Please understand that the refund may take some time due to the large number of registrations.

If you have further questions, please write to: <u>heribert.blass@epf-fep.eu</u> or <u>geber-reusch@t-online.de</u>

With kind regards

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