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Dear Members and Colleagues,

First of all let me thank all the Governors for the positive feedback and suggestions on future initiative to raise the regional awareness of ELSA. Then, I would like to follow up with you by keeping update on the various initiative that we should undertake and in which, I believe, the role of the Board of Governors will be essential and extremely important.

As stated in the vision of our society, we should promote ELSA as leading endo-laparoscopic surgery in Asia and also promote clinical excellence in Endosurgery through education, research, collaboration and advocacy. Continuing with this legacy, I lined up a programme with some important initiative and priorities as: *increase membership recruitment, establish and promote educational activities; support dedicated training programme for developing countries; continue improvement of the interaction within members through website and webportal; actively involve our Corporate partners in our educational and scientific activities, establish research/fellowship grants.*

In order to start on, we should create few Committees, made by a group of people eager to spend some energy and time to dedicate to ELSA.

*Revision of By-Law Committee (to review Statutes and to Establishes Rules to host a Congress)*

*Advisory Committee (selected among the Past President and/or Funding members: role of legacy and consultancy)*

*Education & Technology Committee (WEB-Portal, Courses, Fellowship, Awards, Training Programme for Developing Countries – Laos, Myanmar, Nepal, Mongolia etc; (Improve use of technologies among ELSA Community – Video-Conf, etc.)*

*Scientific Committee (Cooperate with Annual Congress Organizer, ELSA Research Grant, Registry, Organize “Voice for ASIA”: scientific session for developing countries; etc)*

*Membership & Corporate Committee (increase 10-15 % yearly; Honorary Membership, Perks for members. Corporate membership activities: ( Technology Guest Lecture, Young Award – Research projects funding; Dedicated lectures, etc)*

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I hope to get some more input from all of you and let me know as soon as possible who among the BOG would like to be part of any Committee and dedicate time to ELSA.

Lastly but not least, I would like to thank you very much for your trust in me and please feel free to contact me at any time you deem necessary

Yours Sincerely,

**Davide Lomanto**

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