The Executive Committee of the Paediatric Section for the term 2010-2014: Gregory L. Kearns (USA, Chairman), Facundo Garcia-Bournissen (Argentina/Canada, Chairman-Elect), Madlen Gazarian (Australia, Treasurer), Shinya Ito (Canada, Secretary), Gabriel Anabwani (Botswana), Saskia N. de Wildt (the Netherlands), Hidefumi Nakamura (Japan), and Shalini Sri Ranganathan (Sri Lanka).

The Executive Committee met during the WorldPharma2014 in Cape Town, South Africa on 14 July 2014. In addition the Committee has communicated actively via e-mails around the activities listed below.

ACTIVITIES DURING 2014-2015

1) WorldPharma 2014

Two Symposia proposed by the Pediatric Section were held in WorldPharma2014 in Cape Town, South Africa. The symposia were organized in cooperation with GRIP and speakers representing the Section were Gregory Kearns and Kalle Hoppu (Immediate Past-Chairman).

- Symposium: What every pharmacologist should know about children 14.7.2014 10:30-12:00
- Symposium: GRIP – Global training programs in paediatric pharmacology 18.7.2014 10:30-12:00

2) Other involvement in GRIP activities:

- 2nd GRIP Roadshow development Workshop in Paris, France 26-28.2.2014. Participants Representing ESDP (IUPHAR Member): Saskia de Wildt, Netherlands, Milica Bajcetic, Serbia, Antonio Clavenna, Italy, Florian Lagler, Austria; Representing IUPHAR: Shalini Sri Ranganthan, Sri Lanka and Facundo Garcia-Bournissen, Argentina (Madlen Gazarian was present but represented IPA)
- GRIP Roadshow held in Tampere, Finland, 19.9.2014, with Saskia de Wildt, Netherlands as teacher provided by ESDP/IUPHAR
- GRIP Roadshow held in Buenos Aires, Argentina 12.11.2014, with Facundo Garcia-Bournissen, Argentina as teacher provided by IUPHAR
- GRIP Roadshow held in Pondicherry, India 19-20.11.2014, with Stephanie Laer, Germany as teacher provided by ESDP/IUPHAR and Shalini Sri Ranganthan, Sri Lanka as teacher provided by IUPHAR
- GRIP Paediatric Clinical Pharmacology Fellowship Program Development Meeting with ESDP held in Salzburg, Austria 4.10.2014. Participants Representing ESDP (IUPHAR Member): Saskia de Wildt, Netherlands, Milica Bajcetic, Serbia, Antonio Clavenna, Italy, Florian Lagler, Austria, Stephanie Laer, Germany, Karel Allegaert, Belgium
- Launch (September 2014) of GRIP Masters Degree in Paediatric Drug Development. IUPHAR members with key role in the development and launch of this program included Kalle Hoppu and Gregory Kearns

3) Other activities:

- Kalle Hoppu gave an invited lecture on “Academia Perspective: Ethical Considerations in Pediatric Clinical Trials” on 13. May 2014 in the 6th DIA China Annual Meeting session “How to Encourage and Accelerate China Pediatric Drug Development” organized by the Chinese FDA, held in Shanghai May 11-14, 2014
- Kalle Hoppu represented IUPHAR at the 2015 meeting of the WHO Expert Committee on the Selection and Use of Essential Medicines held in Geneva, Switzerland on 20-24 April 2015.