

Lyon, France

**Site Visit Report for Evaluation of the
Pre-Application for the ICTMM 2024**

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Federated Society Involved:

Société Française de Pathologie Exotique (SPE)



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Background



The Evaluation Committee: From the left to the right: Professors Santiago Mas-Coma and Cláudio Tadeu Daniel-Ribeiro (IFTM) and the local guests Professors Stephane Picot (Université de Lyon) and Yves Buisson (Société Française de Pathologie Exotique).

The **French Society of Exotic Pathology**, chaired by Prof. Yves BUISSON, has submitted a pre-application for the organization of ICTMM 2024 in Lyon. The Society has mandated Prof. S Picot to organize that application.

Considering the invitation from France to visit Lyon, Prof. Daniel-Ribeiro and Prof. Mas-Coma have decided to evaluate the applicants.

The French Society was created in 1908 by Louis-Alphonse LAVERAN (Nobel Prize)



The French society is member of

- la Fédération des Sociétés européennes de médecine tropicale et santé internationale (FESTMIH);
- la Fédération internationale de médecine tropicale (IFTM).

250 people are members of the French Society, with 40% of them coming from other countries.

Prof. Stephane Picot (MD, PhD) is responsible for the pre-application and will preside the organizing committee. Prof. Picot has extensive experience of tropical medicine and malaria. He obtained his medical degree following a research on malaria in Burkina Faso, and his PhD degree following a clinical trial in Cameroon. Then, he continuously developed field works in Africa (Mali), South America (Guyana) and South East Asia (Lao PDR, Indonesia).



Supports and Sponsorships

The French pre-application is supported by all the main local and national public and private partners involved in tropical medicine in France: CNRS, IRD, Université de Lyon, Mérieux, Merial, Sanofi, LyonBiopole, BioAster, ...

It also received strong support from the city of Lyon (which supported the invitation of the IFTM Presidency), the Congress bureau, Air France, Lyon international airport, Lyon Security Bureau, and other partners.

Several meetings and visits were successfully organized.



From the left to the right (first row): Pr. Stephane Picot (Univ Lyon), Prof. Yves Buisson (SPE), Dr AL Bienvenu, Mr Facundo (Air France), Mme Alexandra Malvezin (Lyon Airport), Mme Marion Bosset (Congress center), Mr Sebastien Bret (Only Lyon), Mme Valérie DUCAUD, (CEO – OnlyLyon Tourisme & Congress), Mr . Jean-Michel DACLIN (President OnlyLyon Tourisme & Congress).



We met twice Mr Kepenian, the first vice-mayor of Lyon, in charge of events and cultural affairs. Mr Kepenian received the delegation at the City hall and expressed his willing to support the application and the Congress. He will organize the connection with the French Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Education and Research. The city hall saloons are proposed to correspond to a historical place for the organization of the welcome ceremony of ICTMM 2024.



Mr C. Pernette Tixier addressed security issues. Former member of the French secret service and former responsible for the Lyon airport security, Mr Pernette Tixier is presently responsible for population security at the Lyon district. During more than 30 minutes, Mr Pernette Tixier described the experience of receiving international events, including the G7 and a visit of the Chinese President. He clearly demonstrated that the city of Lyon has a high level of security, and a very low level of criminality. He considered that the ICTMM will meet all the security requirements in Lyon.

Mr Facundo, the Air France Regional Director, clearly showed that the whole world can reach Lyon with a limited number of connecting flights. He presented Air France policy related to congress, special rates for attendants and a dedicated package to be proposed to attendant in order to facilitate ticket reservation and special fares.

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La Première	Jusqu'à 5%	Business	Jusqu'à 10%	Economique	Jusqu'à 47%	Economique	Jusqu'à 5%
Business	Jusqu'à 15%	Economique	Jusqu'à 15%				
Premium Eco	Jusqu'à 10%						
Economique	Jusqu'à 15%						

Les réductions sont ouvertes à une large sélection de classes de réservations.

The Lyon airport sale manager next explained that a new terminal will be added to the Lyon airport in the next few years. This will significantly increase the number of destination and companies.



The Congress Center is a recent place, with a global capacity of 7500 persons, and is highly adaptable in terms of volumes and rooms. It seems to meet adequately the requirements of the congress. It is located at walking distances of 2 to 4 stars hotels, including residencies for students. Downtown Lyon is at a reasonable walking distance (20 minutes) and direct buses are available on site. The security is reinforced by the Interpol international headquarter located at a neighboring building.





Prof. R Dodd, representing the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS) from Paris, confirmed the CNRS support to the project. IRD members (F Simard & F Thomas) also expressed their interest and willingness to participate.

Other clear manifestations of interest in supporting the application and the Congress came from the Merieux Foundation – through Mr Emmanuel de Guibert, General secretary, who joined us at one of the tasteful dinners that illustrated the known Lyon gastronomy; Lyon Biopole, represented by Mrs Claudia Chagneau, a facilitator for public-private partnerships, mostly involved in infectious diseases; BioAster, an incubator for infectious diseases projects, represented by its Director, Dr Garcon; the Lyon 1 University, which President, Prof. Fleury, unable to join us, sent a letter of support; the *Institut de Biochimie et de Chimie des Protéines*, represented by Prof. Nushin Aghajari and Dr Lionel Ballut, made some propositions for scientific training and symposia. Dr Kossiwa Bandje, PhD malaria Paris, medical student, Lyon, will be member of the « young board » of organization.

It became clear from this last day academic-scientific meeting that other Scientific meetings have been organized in the past with strong integration of academic and industrial partners.



Potential private sponsorships

Sanofi Pasteur (R Sebbagh and F Bompart) has acknowledged the principle of a strong support for the ICTMM 2024 at Lyon. Merial, represented by Prof. Frédéric Beugnet, Head Global Technical Services Parasitology, has confirmed its willingness to substantially contribute to the success of the congress.

According to Prof Picot, the list is not closed, as expected, and the discussion with other companies is in progress, including Gilead, Pfizer, Meridien.

The touristic City of Lyon





From the left to the right: Pr Yves Buisson (SPE), Pr Santiago Mas-Coma (IFTM), Pr Stephane Picot (Université de Lyon), Pr CT Daniel-Ribeiro (IFTM), Mr Sebastien Bret (Lyon Tourism Bureau), Dr Anne-Lise Bienvenu (Lyon University Hospital) and Mr Pernette-Tixier (Lyon security services).

« *La sucrière* » is a spacious place, located in a nice environment, in which one meeting dinner is proposed to take place. It can be easily reached by boat from the Congress Center.



The city of Lyon seemed to us is an attractive touristic destination, with many potential activities, including gastronomy, museum, opera, music...

