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**NEWSLETTER**  
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Dear colleagues, dear friends,

❖ Annual Meeting and General Assembly : **Gent, Friday 19 March 2004**

**4 board members** will finish their term and must be replaced: **all members can APPLY to become a board member !** deadline for application: **31.12.2003**.

New president and Secretary will be elected too.

Registration for meeting and abstract submission are open till **31.12.2003**. Electronic submission to [katia.poelman@UGent.be](mailto:katia.poelman@UGent.be). More informations on our website.

When submitting an abstract, do not forget to mention if you want it considered for oral communication, if you are under 35. Go for it !

**Future BeSHG meetings**

Applications are still open for Centers to organize and host the 2006 and 2007 meetings.

❖ **Interesting event**

On 5 and 6 December 2003 a symposium entitled "**PGD in 2003: a genetic odyssey**" will take place in VUB. See [www.BeSHG.be](http://www.BeSHG.be) for details.

❖ **Special Lecture by Professor Alan Trounson (Monash University, Australia)**

"Eggs, Embryos and Stem Cells: An Odyssey of 25 Years of Research at Monash"

Venue: Faculty of Medicine and Pharmacy – Vrije Universiteit Brussel

Auditorium Van Den Driessche - Friday 28 November at 17h00

Laarbeeklaan 103, 1090 Brussel. **The lecture is followed by a reception**

❖ **High Council 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on 13 Febr 2004**

the Conseil Supérieur de Génétique Humaine / Hoge Raad voor Anthropogenetika organizes an Academic Conference to celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It will be held at the **Palais des Académies** (rue Ducale 1 Hertogsstraat, 1000 Brussels) on 13 Febr 2004, at 14.30, and followed by a reception at 17.00.

Invited speakers are Profs H. Van Den Berghe, A. Verloes, M. Nöthen, J. Geeraedts, I. Liebaers, M. Abramowicz, Y. Gillerot, and Minister R. Demotte.

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