

We welcome you all back in the new year. The ECSA newsletters will bring you through the activities in 2017.

As always, we are happy to hear from you or see you at our meetings and social events. If you have any feedback, questions or ideas, feel free to contact us on: ecsa@iarc.fr

Launch of ECSA SharePoint

Recently ECSA has launched SharePoint, which is an intranet website that contains all the information for past, present and future ECSA activities, as well as other announcements. SharePoint will be used to share ECSA activities from now on, therefore we encourage you to take time and explore it. Please share any feedback or any information which you would like put on the SharePoint with the ECSA OC.



For the ECSA SharePoint click on the following link:

http://collab.iarc.fr/communities/ecsa/layouts/15/start.aspx#/SitePages/Community_Home.aspx

ECSA Tea Party

Thursday 12th January, Koichiro Sumi hosted the first ECSA Tea Party of this year. Koichiro prepared for us an unforgettable experience, with all the delicious Japanese sweets he took us from the country.



Thank Koichiro for a wonderful afternoon and the amazing Japanese cakes !

Thursday 23rd of February, Marzieh Araghi hosted our second ECSA tea party for the year. Marzieh had some sweet treats which was enjoyed by all.

Thank you to Marzieh for the delightful food.



Roundtable with Karin Holm



On Friday 3rd February a roundtable was held with Mrs Karin Holm, president of the Patient Advocates for Cancer Research and Treatment (PACRT). Mrs Holm is a breast cancer survivor herself, so has had first hand experience of being a cancer patient. From this experience she felt a critical part of patient care that is currently missing is to have patients play a more active role in all aspects of cancer treatment, including cancer research. As a patient advocate, Mrs Holm discussed her previous work with patient organizations and patients.

We discussed the direct impacts of the IARC research on patients and the potential ways patients may play a more active role in the research we carry out. There was also interesting debate as to the importance of understanding how to meet half way regarding the needs of patients and research directed towards treatment versus prevention; which is a key consideration at IARC. All in all, we had an insightful and fresh perspective regarding the impact of our research and the importance of translating what we do to the public. We thank Mrs Holm for sharing her time and experiences with us.

ECSA International dinner – Les Marmottes



On Thursday 16th February, ECSA organized a French dinner. The dinner was held at French restaurant called *Les Marmottes*. The restaurant provided many French dishes which included salad with charcuterie meats, tartiflette, fondue savoyarde, raclette à volonté and a selection of desserts.

The dinner was a great success and the food was enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone which was involved in the organising this dinner.



French idioms

Faire la grasse matinée

Faire la grasse matinée literally means to have a fat morning. Sounds delicious, no? It actually means to sleep in, but if you're going to sleep in, you might as well enjoy a fantastic brunch afterwards!

Here's an example:

J'ai trop bu hier soir, alors aujourd'hui, j'ai fait la grasse matinée.

I drank too much last night, so today I slept in.



Faire un froid de canard

Faire un froid de canard literally means to do a cold of duck, which sounds a bit strange! However the actual meaning is that to be extremely cold.

Here's an example:

Il fait un froid de canard ici en hiver.

It's very cold here in winter.

