IAES PROPOSAL FOR ISS FOUNDATION FUNDING OF INTEREST PROJECTS

The IAES would like to explore the possibility of funding support from the ISS Foundation for the period 2017-2019.

The IAES supports our outreach program, INTEREST (International Endocrine Surgical Teams), and has a well-documented and successful record over the last 5 years including ventures to Togo, Tanzania, Malaysia, Sri Lanka and Vietnam.

Further programs are already in place for 2017 and 2018 including

- 1. Malaysia in November 2017, with a further Post graduate Course in Sabah.
- 2. A final program with Malaysia will be held in 2018, completing a scheduled 5 year balanced program for training of numerous Malaysian Surgeons in various states of Malaysia.
- 3. Hue, Vietnam with a follow-up program, (following a successful scoping exercise in January 2017), planned for March 2018 and likely to continue through 2019.
- 4. Supporting a proposal from Yale University for an Endocrine Surgery Fellowship - Yale University and Mulago Hospital/Makerere University Collaboration, Kampala, Uganda. This is a unique collaboration focused on endocrine surgery in a resource limited setting, and would be an ideal project for the IAES-INTEREST to support.

As part of the fellowship, the collaborative team will provide Endocrine Surgery Outreach Camps throughout Uganda. If the initial scoping exercise is deemed satisfactory and successful, then ongoing support will continue in the following years.

Each program usually requires funding for travel for two surgeons to the outreach country. The "in-Country" expenses are usually borne

by the outreach country, but in the case of the African ventures this is not possible due to their impoverished state.

Hence, over the last 5 years the IAES has utilized considerable funding from its' reserves but this cannot continue unabated. The IAES therefore respectfully requests consideration of financial support from The ISS Foundation.

Accordingly, full reports of each venture will be provided to the ISS Foundation, and with recognition of the valuable work achieved, this may in itself attract further benevolent funding.

Robert F Parkyn, Chairman, INTEREST Program International Association of Endocrine Surgeons May 2017