EANM during my presidency

Organisation:
- Finding “a home” for the EANM with a permanent secretariat, exploring several scenarios and interviewing potential candidates for running the secretariat. This effort was finalised by my successor W. Becker.
- Change the statutes, in particular creating the position of president elect with the corresponding reduced duration of the presidency from three to two years. This allowed not only the incoming president getting introduced into the tasks of the function but also to successfully face the unexpected situation that my successor became seriously ill and the president-elect had to take over without delay.
- Formalising the relationship between Springer and the EANM once the Editor in chief of the EJNM(MI), Peter Eil, was no longer member of the Executive Committee.

International relationships
- Advancement of the integration of the National Societies in Central and Eastern Europe in the life of the EANM.
- Advancing the relationship with the SNM (today SNMMI) to a more formal level, e.g. drafting guidelines and organising reciprocal teaching at the occasion of the annual meetings.
- Establishing a formal relationship with other professional/scientific societies, e.g. European Society of Radiology (guidelines); European and American Societies in Cardiology (Organisation of ICNC).
- Strengthening the relationship with the Nuclear Medicine Section of Nuclear Medicine at UEMS e.g. joint committee tackling the questions of quality management and certification.
- Interactions with EU and Council of Europe.

EANM now and in the future

The EANM is a very successful, efficiently managed scientific and professional association of which we can be proud. However, we have to take care of it so that it remains a “home” for those members who have no other official function. Each member is grateful for the advantages offered by the EANM all over the year, but we have to ask how big is still beautiful. The pandemic has shown that nothing is carved in stone!

What is the EANM for me?
An important part of my life, many friends and wonderful memories.