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Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The New Executive Committee, elected by the General Assembly of European Association of Earthquake Engineering on August 30, 1994, held its first meeting in Vienna during 13:30-16.00 hours on September 2, 1994. The Agenda of the meeting consisted of (1) Report of the President about 10th ECEE; (2) Membership application of Yugoslav National Committee (3) Selection of the representative to Executive Committee of European Seismological Commission, ESC; (4) Future activities concerning mainly a. Working Groups, b. Bulletin, c. 11 ECEE, d. 18th RSEE.

Dr. Rainer Flesch, the President, Prof. Jacob Eisenberg and Dr. Phillippe Bisch, the Vice-Presidents, Prof. Atilla M. Ansal, the Secretary General and Convener of WG9, Prof. Panayotis Carydis, the representative of Greece, Prof. Dimitre Nenov, representative of Bulgaria and Convener of WG4, Dr. E. Juhasova, representative of Slovakia, Prof. Drazen Anicic, previous Secretary General and Honorary member, Dr. Vladimir Schenk, representative of ESC, Dr. H. Sandi, the Convener of WG10, Dr. R. T. Duarte, the Convener of WG11, Prof. C. A. Syrmakizis, the Convener of WG7, Dr. M. Dolce, the Convener of WG3, Dr. M. Tomazevic Convener of WG6 and Dr. O. Fischer the representative of Czech Republic participated to the meeting as an observer.

According to the agenda the President summarized the activities for the 10th ECEE. There was brief discussion about the observations of the participant concerning the organization of the conference. There were suggestions to limit the number of sessions, number of oral presentations and devote most of the time to the keynote or state-of-the-art lectures. It was also mentioned that it appears necessary to increase the time allowed for poster sessions. One other possibility suggested is to organize discussion sessions where the chairmen presents a general review of the submitted papers which are then open to general discussion.

The second item in the agenda was the application of Prof. Bozidar S. Pavicevic as the president of the Yugoslav Association for Earthquake Engineering to be a member to the Association. Prof. Drazen Anicic, Secretary General of the previous Executive Committee who received the application summarized the contents of the application. After a discussion in the Executive Committee there was a general consensus that

1. Yugoslav Association for Earthquake Engineering (YUZI) constituted at its assembly in October 11, 1993 may not be considered as the successor of the Yugoslav Association for Earthquake Engineering (YAEE) which was the member of EAE and represented by Prof. Drazen Anicic.
2. Yugoslav Association or Montenegro Association for Earthquake Engineering can apply as a new member similar to Czech Republic or Makedonia, fulfilling all the formal application requirements stated in EAE Statutes, that were missing in the application letter of Prof. Pavicevic.
3. In order for Executive Committee of EAE to review the application of Montenegro or Yugoslav Association for Earthquake Engineering, sanctions against Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) defined in UN Resolution 757 of May 30, 1992 under the paragraph 8c and 11 should be released.

It was decided to inform Prof.Bozidar S.Pavicevic, the president of the Yugoslav Association for Earthquake Engineering, that upon completion of their formal application, the Executive Committee will carry out a voting by mail after the release of the UN sanctions.

The third item in the agenda was the election of the representative for ESC. The previous representative Dr.Studer did not expressed his desire to continue. Prof.Ansal expressed his wish to be the representative in ESC if there are no other nominees and he was elected as the represetative of EAEE in ESC Executive Committee.

The major of the part the meeting was devoted to the discussion of the fourth item in the Agenda namely the Future Activities. The first subject was about the activities of the Working Groups. Prof.Eisenberg proposed to form four new working groups named as

- 1.Seismic structural control and adaptive protection
- 2.Earthquake Scenarios and preparedness plans development
- 3.Seismic protection of high risk plants and industrial facilities
- 4.Structural strong motion records and identification.

There were extended discussion from the participants about increasing the number of the working groups. There was a general consensus as in the General Assembly to define more definitely the scope and the purpose for each WG. The participating WG Conveners all mentioned the need for financial support and some motivation to carry out the necessary activities. There were some suggestions to find financial sources from EC and UN organizations. It was also suggested that working groups should not get involved with new research but should spent most of their efforts to compile and to dissaminate the available information and research findings. It was agreed to carry out a detailed survey by the President and Secretary General concerning the status of the existing and lately proposed working groups, their scope and goals, active members, proposed working plans, and budget suggestions. The executive committee will evaluate the outcome of these findings and will decide about the WG activities in its next meeting.

It was also agreed to seek financial support from EC or UN organizations to organize post earthquake investigation teams from EAEE members along with ESC members in the future events especially in Europe.

Another suggestion was to include or seek the support of the EAEE in the organization of related seminars or conferences by the national member organizations. Secretary General, the organizer of the Third Turkish National Conference on Earthquake Engineering, made an oral proposal to include the name of EAEE as the supporting organization.

The second subject in the item of Future Activities were publications related to EAEE. One of them is the Bulletin of EAEE that have been published by LNEC, Portugal for the last 8 years. The Secretary General proposed to publish the Bulletin in Istanbul, Turkey since it will be much easier to organize the contents of the Bulletin. After a brief discussion it was decided that LNEC will publish the missing two issues as one double issue containing relevant information about the activities in 1993 and 1994. Starting 1995 the Bulletin will be published biannually in Turkey under the control of the Secretary General with the support of Turkish National Committee on Earthquake Engineering and Istanbul Section of Chamber of Civil Engineers.

The last two items were related to the organization of the 11th ECEE and 18th RSEE. Dr.Philippe Bisch made a brief presentation about the planned activities. He summarized the preparations concerning 18th RSEE that will be held in Lyon during 4-8 September 1995. Lyon was selected because of its regional location. It was anticipated that approximately 80 participants from different parts of Europa, mostly engineers and young researchers from France, Switzerland, Italy and Germany will attend the seminar. Participating members expressed their ideas in order to increase the participation and the effects of both meetings.

The first meeting of the Executive Committee ended with the decision to have the second meeting in Istanbul during the Third Turkish National Conference of Earthquake Engineering between March 27 and 31. Tentatively March 31, Friday afternoon is agreed as a possible date and time.

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Secretary General