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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting number: 1 Date: 21 June 2018 Place: Thessaloniki Concert Hall (venue of the 16ECEE), Thessaloniki, Greece

Attendance:

Kyriazis Pitilakis (KP), President
Atilla Ansal (AA), Vice President
Andreas Kappos (AK), Secretary General
Alain Pecker (AP)
Christoph Butenweg (CB)
Maria José Jiménez (MJ), ESC Representative

Apologies:

Mauro Dolce, Rita Bento, Katrin Beyer

The first meeting of the Executive Committee (ExCo) of the European Association for Earthquake Engineering for the 2018-2022 period was held in Thessaloniki, Greece on Thursday 21 June 2018 in Building M2 of the Thessaloniki Concert Hall, between 13:00 and 14:00.

The Executive Committee meeting was chaired by the President.

Agenda:

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Remarks by the President
3. Remarks by the Secretary General
4. Election of Secretary and Treasurer
5. Miscellaneous

Item 1:

The agenda was approved with the following item added to it, as item 5:

Approval of the application of the Dutch Association of Earthquake Engineering.

Item 2:

The President (KP) welcomed the members to the first Executive Committee meeting for the Period 2018-2022 and thanked them for their support to the Conference. He stated that he was pleased that the Conference was a success with more than 1300 papers presented (about 900 oral plus around 400 posters) and a final number of registered attendees exceeding 1500, i.e. going even beyond the expectations of the organisers. A detailed report on the ECEE will soon follow and will be circulated with the ExCo minutes. He also noted that the only point of concern was the limited industrial involvement, as manifested by the low level of industrial sponsors.

Item 3:

The Secretary General (AK) expressed his congratulations and thanks to the President for the successful organisation of the conference. He noted that the feedback that he received from several key people (including some past presidents of the EAEE) was overwhelmingly positive. AK thanked the ExCo members that stepped down (M. Garevski and C. Oliveira) after long terms and welcomed the new members (R. Bento and K. Beyer). He also noted that the new presidium should discuss in due course whether the Central Office would remain in Istanbul or be transferred to Thessaloniki. The ExCo agreed with the suggestion of AA that this should be decided in the next couple of years.

Item 4:

According to the EAEE Statutes, the election for the post of the Secretary and Treasurer needs to be conducted during the first meeting of the new Executive Committee. Secretary General proposed that Alain Pecker remains as Secretary and Christoph Butenweg as Treasurer. The nominations of Alain Pecker and Christoph Butenweg as the Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, were approved unanimously by the Executive Committee members.

The ExCo also decided that AA will serve as the EAEE representative to the ESC Committee.

Item 5:

On 20/6/18, the President received an application by the newly formed Dutch Earthquake Engineering Association (Nederlandse Vereniging voor Aardbevingsingenieurs) to join the EAEE. Its President is Prof. Ihsan Engin Bal and its Secretary Prof. Eleni Smyrou (both from the Hanze University of Applied Sciences); other members of their ExCo are from TU Delft, the Dutch Royal Observatory – KNMI, and the industry.

The ExCo unanimously approved the application of the new association, which will be the 33rd national member of the EAEE (the 32nd being the Cyprus association, another recent addition).

Item 6:

Following previous discussions, the SG will prepare ahead of the next meeting an amendment to the guidelines for the ECEE and ECEES for delegating votes of absent members, similar to that used in the ESC; MJ is kindly requested to send AK the details of the ESC system. AP suggested that the guidelines should also indicate the minimum and maximum number of votes in each ballot paper.

It was decided to have the second Executive Committee Meeting in Rome, Italy, on Sunday 16 June 2019, just before the Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering Conference.

Post-meeting note: The Secretary General has contacted M. Dolce and he kindly agreed to make arrangements for hosting the meeting in Rome (provisional time: 10:00 to 15:00).

The meeting ended with the thanks of the President to all participating members.

Andreas J. Kappos
Secretary General