## EUROPEAN MICROSCOPY SOCIETY



## Agenda of the GENERAL COUNCIL of EMS

to be held at the EMS congres EMC 2008 in Aachen (Wednesday, September 3, 2008, 12.15 till 14.00)

According to the Constitution, a General Council consists of representatives of the National societies for microscopy that have adopted (partial) en-bloc membership of EMS: those that have less than 300 paying EMS members will have one representative with one vote. Societies with over 300 paying EMS members will have two representatives, each with one vote. Only one society per country can send representatives to the General Council. When two societies are active in one country, the society with the largest EMS membership will be represented at the General Council, unless a written document signed by all parties involved is produced at the General Council indicating that the right has been passed on to a smaller society. Two representatives of ECMA (European Corporate Member Assembly) have voting rights in the General Council. For details on the Constitution, see the EMS website: http://www.eurmicsoc.org.

Summary of the rules: No meeting of the General Council shall have the power to make valid decisions unless more than 50% of all societies that decided for (partial) en-bloc membership of EMS are represented. In case of insufficient participation, decisions are postponed until the next meeting of the General Assembly or can be put-up for electronic voting by the EMS board. The General Council will be chaired by the President of EMS. Decisions of the General Council are taken by a simple majority of votes (>50%; in the event of an equal division of votes, the chairman shall make the final decision).

## Agenda

- 1. Welcome and confirmation of the agenda of the General Council
- 2. Selection of the venue of EMC 2012 (GC PD 2.1)
- 3. Confirmation of new (partial) en-bloc member societies (GC\_PD\_3.1)
- 4. Determination annual membership fee for the coming year(s) (GC\_PD\_4.1)
- 5. Any further matter to be discussed
- 6. Closing of the meeting

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