



## Minutes of the EMS GENERAL COUNCIL

Held at EMC2016 in Lyon, France (Tuesday, August 30, 16:45 till 18.00, room: Salon Tête d'Or).

Present see list below: 25 representatives with voting rights and from 21 societies were present.

Board members present: Nick Schryvers (Secretary), Pavel Hozak, Thierry Epicier, Roger Wepf (President), Paul Midgley, Debbie Stokes, Rick Brydson, Christian Schöfer (Treasurer), Stefan Kuypers, Arbak Serap, Aleksandra Czyrska-Filemonovicz, Randi Holmestad, Joachim Mayer

### ***Start of the meeting 16.45***

#### **1. Acceptation of membership of new national society**

Romanian Electron Microscopy Society (SREM), headed by Dr. Bogdan Stefan VASILE, President, University Polytechnica, Bucharest. At present, they have around 80 members. (at the EMS Board meeting in Eger, 27-07-2015, the society was preliminary accepted as an en-bloc society, waiting for the confirmation at the GC at EMC2016, Lyon).

#### **2. Annual fees**

In the past, the financial situation allowed EMS to pursue its activities such as support of meetings, scholarships and prizes at good levels. In order to maintain this level in the future, some corrections need to be done to the EMS budget, ideally both at the incomings and at expenditure sides (see separate .xls table). Measures have already been set to reduce administrative expenses. An increase on the major incomings position, i.e. the membership fees, would make the EMS budget fit for the future. A raise of the annual membership contribution per member from presently 5 € to 7 € would best fit the current number of scholarship and meeting support applications. An increase to 10 € would buffer against future raising costs and would enable to increase the amount of support provided. It should be added that since the foundation of EMS in 1998 no increase of fees has occurred.

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The General Council accepted to raise the annual membership fee from 5 € to 7 € from 2017 onwards.

### 3. Venue of the next EMC (in 2020)

Five bids for the organisation of EMC2020 have been received by the deadline of May 31, 2016. The proposed sites are as follows

1. Basel, Switzerland
2. Catania, Italy
3. Copenhagen, Denmark
4. Ljubljana, Slovenia
5. Maastricht, The Netherlands

The five bidding teams presented their application to host EMC2020.

The questions rose mainly dealt with:

- Adequacy of the Convention Centre to welcome a large exhibition of microscope manufacturers
- Hotel accommodation capacity

The voting at the GC was made according to the *last one drops out* concept until one bid receives a majority (> 50% of the votes (blank votes not included)). Ballot forms were provided.

The results were:

- 21 votes for Copenhagen
- 9 votes for Maastricht
- 8 votes for Ljubljana
- 1 vote for Basel
- 1 vote for Catania

### 4. Any further matter to be discussed: none

**Closing of the meeting: 18:00**

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## Delegates present

Austrian Society for Electron Microscopy (ASEM)  
Belgian Society for Microscopy (BSM)  
Croatian Microscopy Society (CMS)  
Czechoslovak Microscopy Society (CSMS)  
Electron Microscopy and Analysis Group  
(Institute of Physics, EMAG)  
French Microscopy Society (FMS)

German Society for Electron Microscopy (DGE)  
Hellenic Microscopy Society (HMS)  
Hungarian Society for Microscopy (HMS)  
Israel Society for Microscopy (ISM)  
Italian Society of Microscopical Sciences (SISM)

Microscopical Society of Ireland (MSI)  
Nordic Microscopy Society (SCANDEM)

Polish Society for Microscopy (PTMi)

Portuguese Society for Microscopy (SPMicros)  
Romanian Electron Microscopy Society (REMS)  
Royal Microscopy Society (RMS)

Serbian Society for Microscopy (SSM)  
Slovene Society for Microscopy (SDM)  
Spanish Society for Microscopy (SME)  
Turkish Society for Electron Microscopy (TEMD)

Ferdinand Hofer  
Sara Bals  
Igor Weber  
Jana Nebesarova  
Sarah Haigh;  
Andy Brown  
Guy Schoehn;  
Damien Jacob  
Michael Lehmann  
Philomena Komninou  
Agnes Kittel  
Yaron Kauffmann  
Roberto Balboni;  
Stefania Meschini  
Ursel Bangert  
Kesara Anamthawat  
Jonsson  
Aleksandra Czyrska-  
Filemonowicz  
Carlos Sa  
Bodgan Stefan Vasile  
Rik Brydson;  
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Saso Sturm  
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