

Minutes from the EAAE Council meeting, 1 and 2 May 2014

Venue: TOBB University, Ankara

Present: Karl Otto Ellefsen (President), Koenraad van Cleempoel (Treasurer), Nur Caglar, Adalberto del Bo, Herbert Bühler, Manuel Couceiro da Costa, Ivan Cabrera, Zdenek Zavrel and Gunnar Parelius (network coordinator)

Excused: Susanne Komossa, Vaso Trova, Lucyana Nyka.

Minutes: Erling Rognes Solbu

1 Agenda

The President proposed to add cooperation with the UNESCO-UIA Validation Council, membership request, the EAAE Mission Statement, the Erasmus+ project, moving of the EAAE Secretariat, and nomination of a Vice President to the agenda that was circulated ahead of the meeting.

This was unanimously approved.

2 Follow-up on the GA in Hasselt

The Council members shared their reflections on the GA in Hasselt 28-29 March 2014.

Decisions:

The President's opening address to the GA, and the Council's report on accusations by the former Council will be published on the EAAE website.

The PWC report on the relationship between EAAE and ENHSA will also be published if permission to do so is granted by the PWC Board.

The Council paid an extra tribute to Ivan Cabrera and Hector Castillo for the work on the new EAAE website. The presentation at the GA was a success which demonstrated that work is in progress in the Council.

3 Statutes

The Council discussed the changes proposed during the GA, and those submitted until 1 May by the members.

Decision:

Gunnar and Erling will write a final version of the statutes based on the incoming proposals and the Council's discussion. The President and the Treasurer will approve the document before it is made available to all members on the EAAE website. The President will invite all members to comment on the final proposal until the GA in Chania in order for the Council to prepare for discussions at the General Assembly in Chania where the statutes will be voted upon.

4 UNESCO-UIA Validation Council / EAAE collaboration

On the basis of Herbert Bühler's proposal, the UNESCO-UIA Validation Council invited 3-4 EAAE Council members to establish a joint working group in order to produce a quality label -for European schools of architecture fulfilling the UNESCO-UIA Charter for Architectural Education, and discuss extended related areas of collaboration.

Decision:

The EAAE Council is enthusiastic about this initiative, and nominates the following members to join the working group: Herbert Bühler (Head of the EAAE group/delegation), Ivan Cabrera, Adalberto del Bo and Nur Caglar. The group will be represented at the UNESCO-UIA Validation Council meeting in Durbam, South Africa 3-4 August.

The EAAE will not cover travel expenses for the working group's meetings. EAAE money may only be used for joint conferences or in case of publications.

5 New membership request

IUAV Venezia had submitted an application for membership ahead of the meeting. The Council unanimously recommended membership. The decision will be finally approved at the GA in Chania.

6 Mission statement

The Council discussed the mission statement draft that was presented in Hasselt, and the proposals that came up during the interactive seminar session.

Decision:

Koenraad van Cleempoel will edit a final version based on the Council's discussion, to be published on the website. The final version will be voted upon at the GA in Chania.

Article 2 in the statutes (aim of the Association) will be composed of the mission statement, except for the deliverables (third part of the document).

7 EAAE Thematic networks follow-up

The last joint meeting of the EAAE Council and the thematic network coordinators was held in Chania 2013. Since then Gunnar Parelius has been appointed coordinator of EAAE networks by the EAAE Council, and two new EAAE projects have emerged: the EAAE/ARCC 2016 conference in Lisbon, and the UNESCO-UIA / EAAE working group.

The Council discussed how to manage existing EAAE networks, especially considering the post-ENHSA situation. The Council sees it as very important to re-establish the EAAE as a platform for communication and facilitator of formal and informal thematic networks, and sound relations to other relevant organisations and associations.

Decision

Gunnar Parelius (possibly also Karl Otto Ellefsen) is responsible for contacting coordinators of exisiting (and sleeping) EAAE networks for status updates before the Chania meeting.

Manuel Counceiro da Costa and Gunnar Parelius will attend the ARENA conference on research by design in Lisboa.

8 Erasmus+ project

The Oslo School of Architecture and Design (applicant organization) + 9 partners including EAAE and ACE, was able to submit an application for Erasmus+ Strategic Partnership funding. The project title is (as presented at the GA in Hassel): *Confronting Wicked Problems: Adapting Architectural Education to the New Situation in Europe.*

According to the Erasmus+ Guideline, the application results will be available within 5 months. Implementation of the project, or how to follow up if the application is not funded, will be discussed at the Chania GA.

9 EAAE-day at the Chania event

The final ENHSA event in Chania is planned for 31. August – 3 September. An EAAE-day, with General Assembly and "EAAE Academy" sessions, will be included in the programme. The Council is responsible for the program of the EAAE day.

Decision:

Karl Otto Ellefsen and Koenraad van Cleempoel will discuss and coordinate the programme with ENHSA. The Presdient will write an open letter to ENHSA based on the discussions in the meeting, which is distributed to all Council members.

ENHSA will hold a conference on teaching architectural design in Barcelona 18 – 19 August. Gunnar Parelius, as EAAE projects coordinator will attend representing EAAE.

10 Moving the EAAE secretariat from KU Leuven to University of Hasselt

The current EAAE secretary, Lou Schol, is retiring from her position at KU Leuven at the end of May 2014.

The Council decided to move the EAAE ecretariat to University of Hasselt, where a new EAAE secretary, Inge Lens, has been hired for a 20 % position. A note will be published on the website regarding this.

11 Nomination of a Vice President

The Council decided to nominate Adalberto del Bo as EAAE Vice President. The Vice President must be formally elected at the General Assembly, and the General Assembly may go against the Councils proposal.

12 Responsibilities of Council members

Specific responsibilities for the Council members:

- Karl Otto Ellefsen: President
- Koenraad van Cleempoel: Treasurer, EAAE-ACE working party, 1:1 Yearbook
- Ivan Cabrera: website coordinator, UIA-group
- Adalberto del Bo: Vice-President (candidate), EAAE-ACE working party, UIA-group
- Herbert Bühler: head of UIA-group
- Manuel Couceiro da Costa: EAAE/ARCC conference coordinator, research group
- Nur Caglar: UIA-group, EAAE-ACE working party
- Zdenek Zavrel: regional Centra /East European group coordinator

Specific tasks for Suzanne Komossa, Vaso Trova and Lucyana Nyka will be discussed in Chania.

At the Chania General Asembly the Council will present a plan for the transition to the new situation whith elections of Council members each year, e.g. which elections will be held in 2015.

13 Council Workplan

The following dates and places for meetings in 2014 were decided, but due to internal difficulties in booking the Centre in Chania the final dates are:

- Friday 29th of August in Chania
- Lisbon: 30-31 October.
 - Day 1 Council meeting
 - o Day 2 Meeting with ARCC, planning of 2016 joint conference
 - Possibilities for a tour of Lisbon in the weekend

For meetings in 2015 Oslo (January), Valencia (March) and Munich were discussed as possible venues. Decisions on dates will be made in the Chania Council meeting.