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MINUTES OF THE SECOND ASSOCIATION COUNCIL MEETING

Number: 2

Date: August 31, 2010

Place: Ohrid, Macedonia

Attendance:

Martin Koller, President

Mihail Garevski, Vice President

Robin Spence, Vice President, The Society for Earthquake Engineering and Civil Engineering Dynamics

Atilla Ansal, Secretary General

Jacop M. Eisenberg, Ex. Com. Member

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Mohamed Farsi, Algerian Association for Earthquake Engineering

Mikayel Melkumyan, Armenian Association for Earthquake Engineering

Rainer Flesch, Treasurer, Austrian Association for Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics

Kiril Hadjiyski, Bulgarian National Committee for Earthquake Engineering

Mihaela Zamolo, Croatian Society for Earthquake Engineering

Jirí Náprstek, Czech Society for Mechanics

Pierre Labbe, French Association for Earthquake Engineering

Irakli Giorgadze, Georgian National Committee of Earthquake Engineering & Engineering Seismology

Andreas J Kappos, Ex. Com. Member, Hellenic Society for Earthquake Engineering

Ahmad Naderzadeh, Iranian Society for Earthquake Engineering

Robert Levy, Israeli Association for Earthquake Engineering

Mauro Dolce, Ex. Com. Member, Italian National Association for Earthquake Engineering

Zoran Milutinovic, Macedonian Society of Earthquake Engineering

Bozidar Pavicevic, Montenegrin Association for Earthquake Engineering

Zbigniew Zembaty, Polish National Committee on Earthquake and Paraseismic Engineering

Carlos Sousa Oliveira, Ex. Com. Member, Portuguese Society for Earthquake Engineering

Emil-Sever Georgescu, Romanian Association for Earthquake Engineering

Vladimir I. Smirnov, Russian National Committee for Earthquake Engineering

Radomir Folic, Serbian Association for Earthquake Engineering

Peter Fajfar, Ex. Com. Member, Slovenian Association for Earthquake Engineering

Rafael Blazquez, Spanish Association for Earthquake Engineering

Thomas Wenk, Swiss Society for Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics

Mustafa Erdik, Turkish National Committee on Earthquake Engineering

Yuriy Nemchynov, Association for Ukrainian Earthquake Engineering

Absentee:

Themis Demetriou, Cyprus Civil Engineers and Architects Association

Mohamed Sobaih, Egyptian Society for Earthquake Engineering

Carsten Könke, German Society for Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics

Laszlo P. Kollár, Hungarian National Committee for Earthquake Engineering

Ragnar Sigbjornsson, Icelandic National Society of Earthquake Engineering

Marat Ashimbayev, Kazakhstan Public Regional Foundation for Development of Earthquake Engineering

Farrokh Nadim, Norwegian Society for Earthquake Engineering

Milan Sokol, Slovak Association for Earthquake Engineering

PROLOGUE:

The second meeting of the Association Council of the European Association for Earthquake Engineering was held in the Millenium Hotel in Ohrid, Macedonia on Tuesday evening, August 31, 2010 between 20:00 and 22:30 hours on the occasion of the 14th European Conference on Earthquake Engineering. The Meeting was chaired by the President, Martin Koller.

AGENDA:

1. *Opening by the President and Approval of the Agenda*
2. *Presentations by Delegates proposing to organize the 2nd ECEES in 2014*
3. *Secret balloting to select the location of the 2nd ECEES in 2014*
4. *Recommendations for the EAEE General Assembly*
5. *Council Candidates for the Executive and Audit Committee for 2010-2014*
6. *Miscellaneous*

Item 1: President Martin Koller welcomed all the Delegates and summarised very briefly the purpose of the Meeting. The main purpose of the meeting of the EAEE Association Council that is composed of the Delegates of all National Members and the Executive Committee Members is to elect the city and the National Member to organise the next European Conference on Earthquake Engineering among the candidates proposed by the Executive Committee.

President explained briefly the election procedure since it was the first election of a joint conference city. The next conference will be a joint event of 15th European Conference on Earthquake Engineering and the 34th General Assembly of the European Seismological Commission. Therefore, the voting will be composed of two steps: The conference city will be voted first in EAEE Association Council and then in ESC General Assembly. The next conference city will be elected based on the total number of votes of two Associations.

Association Council Members discussed first the voting condition of the Executive Committee Members who are also the Delegates of National Members. It was approved by the majority that when a delegate is also an Ex. Com. Member the delegate will have two votes. Consequently, in EAEE Association Council, the number of votes will be 44 (33 Delegates and 11 Ex. Com. Members) at maximum depending on the participation. The number of votes in the ESC General Assembly will be 56 (42 Titular Members, however only the Members who have paid IUGG fee will have the voting right and 14 Ex. Com. Members) at maximum.

With the proposal by Andreas Kappos, each Delegate introduced himself to the Council taking advantage of being together for this occasion.

The Proposed Agenda of the Meeting was approved.

Item 2: The Candidate National Organisations to organise the 2nd European Conference on Earthquake Engineering and Seismology (2ECEES) were: (1) Turkish Earthquake Foundation - Earthquake Engineering Committee and Prime Ministry, Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency proposing *Istanbul* and (2) Austrian Association for Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics and Austrian Geophysical Society proposing *Vienna* as the venue to organise the joint conference in 2014. The Representatives of the candidate cities made presentations in alphabetical order starting with Istanbul, Turkey.

The Association Council Members asked questions to the representatives of the candidate cities related to the conference venues, registration fees, reduced accommodation rates, publishing proceedings in citation index, etc.

The President, Martin Koller reminded that ESC has a training course for young seismologists before the General Assembly, and for a joint conference the candidates should consider a joint training course for

young researchers on earthquake engineering and seismology. Both representatives of the candidate cities assured the Council that such an organisation will be organised for training during 2nd ECEES.

Item 3: A secret balloting was conducted to determine the venue of the 2nd ECEES. Istanbul, Turkey was selected as the city for the next European Conference on Earthquake Engineering and Seismology by the majority vote of 24 to 11 (One vote was blank). Prof. Ansal, the Secretary General of the Turkish Earthquake Foundation - Earthquake Engineering Committee expressed his thanks to all Delegates for selecting Istanbul as the city for the 2nd European Conference on Earthquake Engineering and Seismology. Selection of the next conference city will be finalized after the voting in ESC Council Meeting.

Item 4: Secretary General explained briefly the procedures and voting scheme for the General Assembly according to the recently adopted Statutes and the EAEE traditions. He summarised the Ex.Com recommendations to propose a draft list of candidates for both Executive and Audit Committees.

Item 5: The Association Council agreed to propose (Mohamed Belazougui, Jacob Eisenberg, Rainer Flesch, Kiril Hadjiyski, Andreas Kappos, Zygmunt Lubkowski, Ahmed Naderzadeh, Carlos Sousa Oliveira, Alain Pecker, Mihaela Zamolo, Mauro Dolce) as possible candidates for the Executive and (Emil Sever Georgescu, Rudolf Heuer, Robert Levy) for the Audit Committees.

Epilogue: The selection of the next conference city was left to be finalized after the ESC voting to be held in the following week in Montpellier, France. The second meeting of the Association Council of the European Association for Earthquake Engineering held in Ohrid ended with a joyful dinner hosted by Mihail Garevski, the Chairmen of the 14th ECEE.

Atilla Ansal
Secretary General