

MINUTES OF THE AEEBC GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HELD ON FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2009

AT STAR HOTEL METROPOLE, ROME, ITALY

AEEBC(09)09

Present	Kevin Sheridan (President) (KS); Jacob Ravn Thomsen (Vice President) (JRT); Professor Trevor Mole (Honorary Secretary) (TM); Francis Wagnies (FW); Robbie Patterson (Honorary Treasurer) (RP); Saleem Akram (SA); Gert Johansen (GJ); Lars Hedaker (LH); Simon Lawes (SL); Lawrence Wainwright (LW); Giuliano Villi (GV); Maurizio Savoncelli (MS); Maria Scorza (MS); John Yadoo (YD); Graham Hough (GH); Mark Kennet (MK); Tara Pickles (TP); Ahti Junttila (AJ) David Gibson (DG); Jan Ottink (JO), Dr Martin Homann; Dr Andrzej Minasowicz (AM); Christine Braybrook (CB)	
In attendance	Martin Russell-Croucher (MRC)	
Observers	Zsolt Toth (ZT) (RICS Europe); Malcolm Lelliot (ML) (EGOS); Magnus Janson (MJ) (VIA University College)	
1.0	Apologies received	
	Hannu Ahokanto; Inmaculada Martinez Perez; Pierre Alliaume; Michel Soulard	
2.0	AEEBC Presidents welcome	
	KS welcomed the delegates to the General Assembly.	
3.0	Minutes of the previous meeting in Lisbon	
	Agreed	
4.0	Business Plan	
	The Business Plan was amended during the meeting, copy attached	
4.1	Pan EU	
4.1.1	EOTA	

	<p>KS said that he would explore finding a replacement observer for EOTA.</p> <p>Action: KS to liaise with EOTA regarding appointment of a new observer</p>	KS
4.1.3	CEBC	
	<p>MRC said that he had attended the recent meeting in Cyprus where the CEBC was focussed mainly on the recast of the CE marking directive.</p> <p>Next meeting of CEBC in Oslo in Spring 2010.</p>	
4.1.4	Eccredi	
	<p>SA said that he had circulated the minutes from the recent meetings of ECCREDI. The two ECCREDI offshoots, ECTP and E2B were continuing but he was concerned about the lack of outputs.</p> <p>TM asked if research funding was an area within which AEEBC should be involved.</p> <p>ZT said that there were funding opportunities through these organisations as EU Officials also attend, however there were issues of dominance by the SME sector.</p> <p>SA said that CIOB might pull out of ECCREDI if the AEEBC made a decision to withdraw, however he suggested that an AEEBC officer attends for at least one meeting to see if EURBE could be promoted and whether it is moving towards a more practical approach.</p> <p>KS said that a decision should be made at the next GA in Helsinki.</p> <p>Action: Officer to attend next meeting of ECCREDI.</p>	Officers
4.1.5	Advisory Committee on Safety and Health at Work Working Party on “Guide to Mobile Construction Sites”	
	<p>JRT said that the final document would probably not be published before May 2010 as it had been delayed by red tape.</p>	
4.1.6	EGoS	
	<p>ML said that EGoS was focussed more on Geotechnical surveys</p>	

4.2	Affiliates	
	<p>KS said that the accredited courses list needed to be in order before AEEBC could universities regarding becoming an affiliate member.</p> <p>TM said that an e-flier would be sent out to various universities encouraging their membership using EcoZoom, Copenhagen as an example.</p> <p>Action: All associations to provide a list of accredited or linked universities to TM</p>	All
4.3	Promotion	
	<p>JRT said that there was a need for one person within each organisation to liaise with AEEBC regarding promotion of AEEBC activities</p> <p>Action: All member organisations to liaise with JRT regarding articles</p>	All
4.4	Professional Development Working Group and EURBE	
	<p>KS reported on the PDC meeting held the previous day.</p> <p>JRT, TM and MRC provided a live demonstration of the EURBE application system developed by Property Tectonics.</p> <p>Following the demonstration of EURBE application JRT asked if the General Assembly agreed that the fee for EURBE membership should be €50.</p> <p>This was agreed by the delegates; however MK said this should be kept under review as there may eventually be a need for payments for the National and European Monitoring Committees if there was a large number of applications.</p> <p>SA asked who should attend the PDC meetings? KS said that all delegates with an interest were welcome to attend.</p>	
4.5	Leonardo da Vinci Project	
	<p>MRC said that funding for LdV1 was now complete and all funds had been received.</p> <p>SA said that LdV2 application had been successful.</p>	

	JRT and ZT said that two member organisations of AEEBC, KF in Denmark and RICS Europe had been involved with competing bids for an EU energy project. Results of their applications would be known in December 2009.	
4.6	Principal Membership	
4.6.1	Portugal	
	It was agreed to keep Portugal on the list of potential members for the moment.	
4.6.2	Germany	
	LW and MH said that was no interest in membership in Germany at the moment.	
4.6.3	Baltic States	
	MRC said that the Baltic States had been badly hit by the recession and it was unlikely that they would be interested in joining AEEBC at the present time.	
4.6.4	France	
	FW said that he would continue to liaise with the French organisations and hoped that they would send delegates to AEEBC general assemblies in the future.	
4.6.5	Spain	
	KS suggested that the next Officers meeting in March should be held in Spain as CGATE were not sending delegates to meetings of any external organisations at the moment.	
4.6.6	NITO (Norway)	
	JRT said that NITO was in the process of merging and would not consider joining until this was complete.	
4.7	Working Groups	
	FW reported on the outcome of the Pathology working group held the previous day on basements. FW said that he would publish the findings on the web site in the future. Action: FW to consolidate presentations and produce web based document for uploading to the AEEBC web members area The scenario for the next GA in April 2010, Helsinki was for typical domestic roofs and the main defects	FW

	<p>associated with them.</p> <p>FW asked delegates to provide him with a copy of their presentation by 19 March 2010, ready for presentation on the Thursday afternoon meeting of the GA.</p> <p>Action: All delegates to provide FW with scenario by 19 March 2010</p>	All
4.10	Website	
	MRC demonstrated the web-site and various aspects of its use.	
5.0	Future Meetings	
	<p><i>22 – 24 April 10 - Helsinki, Finland</i></p> <p><i>18-20 November 10 – Paris, France</i></p>	
6.0	Any Other Business	
	<p>A conference topic for Helsinki was suggested of sustainable industrialised building</p> <p>Action: Officers to agree Helsinki Conference Topic at next Officers meeting</p>	Officers
Issued	December 2009	