

General Assembly Meeting – EGoS 14<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at the II-Veduta Restaurant Is-Saqqajja Rabat. Start time 10.00 Lunch 13.00 Re-start 14.30

Minutes

#### 1. Welcome

Randolph Camilleri welcomed everyone to Malta and explained that he was in the process of providing a conference space in his restaurant and that we were the first people to use it and hoped that it would serve our purpose.

The meeting is overshadowed by the events that were happening in Paris.

He was disappointed with the attendance by the other members of EGoS who have not been coming to the meetings.

Randolph went on to say that this is his last meeting as President of EGoS and that there were some disappointments along the way. Although he was stepping down as president he would still remain to help the new President and Board.

He was unable to meet the target of new members although work on this is still in progress. There was disappointment between the association with CLGE and a clash of personalities between Randolph and Jean Yves and it would appear on matters that we were supposed to collaborate that it was one way where we would provide information and none received in return and reciprocating. However, RC stated that he would be renewing contact with the new President of CLGE in an effort to reconcile the situation and would report back.

Randolph said that it was important that Members of EGoS continue to pay their membership fees as this was important especially with initiatives that EGoS are proposing for the future.

The Young Surveyors course is proposed to be continued by EGoS and from the information that RC had obtained the cost would be in the region of 85,000 to 90,000€. What is required is continued support from other interested organisations.

RC thanked the EGoS Board for their continued support throughout his appointment as President and wished the new Board and Officers all the best for the future. He was honoured and proud to have been President and enjoyed every minute of his period of Office of 7 Years.

Turning to the agenda

2. Apologies Received

Mr. Bledi StefaAlbaniaMr. Anthony Pearce – Past Secretary General (EGoS)UKMr. William Cowap – CIQAUK

Paper provided on up-date on ISO 9001:2015 Environment.

ML sated that he had not heard from Belgium, Spain or Cyprus.

The Eastern State members from Bulgaria and Romania do not respond to invitations to attend.

FDR said that he was trying to contact the Belgium Surveyors especially as he spoke Flemish but to date he had not managed to make contact but would continue in his efforts.

## 3. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous General Assembly meeting held in Malta  $-31^{st}$  October 2014 had previously been circulated and were also tabled, were approved and signed by the President.

## 4. Matters arising

There were no matters arising that were not already stated in the agenda.

## 5. Election of Officers.

RC declared that this was the opportune time to hand over the position of Presidency. The Secretary General declared that he had only received one nomination for President proposing **Nikos Zacharias** and one nomination for Vice President proposing **Florian Dietze-Römkens**. RC proposed that Nikos Zacharias be President and that Florian Dietze-Römkens be Vice President. The nominations were put the the Board and were **unanomously approved.** 

**Rahmi Celik** had stated that he wanted to resign from being VP to make way for another nominee, but as there had not been any other nominations received for Vice President then he would temporarily remain as 2nd Vice President if the Board wished him to be alhough he was heavily involved in work at the University in Istanbul. The Board **unanomously approved** Rahmi Celik as 2nd Vice President of EgoS until such time as a new VP is nominated.

Having stood down RC handed the Chairmanship of the meeting over to Nikos Zacharias. The meeting broke for a while to allow the presentation of a gift of a horse and foal and the Past Presidents Certificate to be made to Randolph with personal thanks being extended from Nikos for the work that he had put in to EgoS.

Nikos went on to say that he had been directly involved with EgoS for the past 11 years and had prepared notes for his speach of acceptance which is attached.

# 6. Relationship with other Professional Bodies

## CLGE.

RC had previously stated what he proposed to do with our association with CLGE and will report back in due course.

FIG.

FDR circulated a paper on collaboration with FIG.

His understanding of FIG is that they are an Academic and Governmental organisation. It is evident that initiatives that EGoS are involved in such as Young Surveyors, Free Movement of the Professions and accreditation of professionals do not figure in their agenda. FDR stated that in order for EGoS to be involved with FIG we should develop our field of activities with them and suggested the following:

a). To participate on the committee 1 of FIG (Professional Standards and Practice)

b.) To participate in the Presidents Conference.

c.) To present to the Committee 1 at their next meeting the issue of the EurGeo PC.

d). To ask FIG to put on their website the initiative of the EurGeo PC the new course for the Young Surveyors.

e). To ask the FIG Foundation to support the new course for the Young Surveyors.

f). To prepare and submit to FIG a paper concerning the advantages for the market to open the profession for the Surveyor.

The Board thanked FDR for his research and to continue with the work.

## AEEBC

ML stated that he had not attended any meetings of AEEBC and of late he had not received information from the Secretariat so was unable to provide details of their next meeting. ML would look into the matter.

## 7. Administration

ML reported on the duties carried out by the administration:

- Primarily involved in developing the EurGeo Professional card and contacting the members and associate members in supporting an application to the EU for recognition.
- Helping with the contact with potential new members.
- Up-dating the web-site and uploading information and seminars and course information.
- Maintaining the financial statements and accounts.
- Organising the General Assemblies and seminars in association with host members.
- Preparing agendas and attending meetings and note taking and preparing minutes.

MVL reported on the finances and the current position was tabled for the various accounts as follows:

Euro Call Account	=	12,651.56€
Euro Current Account	=	1,484.71€
Stirling Current account	=	£990.72
Stirling Deposit Account	=	£35.51
Euro cash	=	-2,153.14€
Stirling cash	=	-£1,130.04

There are still difficulties from non-payment of subscriptions by members. Spain, Belgium, Cyprus, Greece and Ireland are not subscribing.

Expenses by the Officers were now again being claimed although Randolph kindly offered his premises for free to EGoS for this meeting.

Nikos stated that Greece would now be in a position to contribute to the membership fee again.

## 8. Membership

Membership of new organisations to EGoS is disappointing.

NZ is in contact with a Russian organisation who has indicated that they are interested in attending a meeting. However, although they have been extended a formal invitation to attend so far they have not responded.

Nikos stated that the Russian organisation was being put off EGoS by CLGE.

Nikos stated that he would follow this up and try to get them to attend the next meeting. RC was disappointed by the non-response of some of the members organisation that belong to EGoS and that he would contact Maurice the President of CLGE to see if the relationship could be re-established.

Florian said he would try to contact some of them to see why they are not responding.

## 9. Education and Training – Professional card

## EurGeo

The professional card system or EurGeo is included in the Boards documents. ML stated that in order for the Member organisation to promote the EurGeo PC within their own countries it is important to consult their own Internal Market Information System (IMI) organisations as these organisations approve and are able to recognise the EGoS member organisation as an appropriate qualification processes.

## Young Surveyors Training Course

The original course which was instigated by EGoS and carried through by CNGGL first started in 2008 in Rome and the last and fifth course was run in Lisbon in 2013. Since then it has not been organised.

The students attending would only pay for their fair to and from the place where the course is being held. The rest of the expenses were covered by CNGGL which is considerable. NZ would like the course for Young Surveyor to be reinstated to be held in Athens in the Spring of 2016.

Finance for the course would be through FIG 30,000€ grant, Sponsorship from private corporations and a possible grant from the EU from one of its Programmes.

It was suggested that Eramus Plus may be able to provide a grant. The work has to be non-profit making.

The period for the course would be greatly reduced in length to 5 days.

An outline of the programme was given in Nikos's report.

It was agreed by the Board that RC would become the Chairman of the Young Surveyors course and suggested the construction of a formal committee. Maria stated that a formal committee was not required but that EGoS should be the organiser. Maria would help on an informal way.

The paper for the Young Surveyor's Training Course which is attached.

RC stated that he would create a "facebook" page for the Young Surveyors. FDR said he would help.

#### 10. Web-site

The website address is: www.europeansurveyors.org

Following on from a previous presentation of the EGoS Website it was agreed to spend approximately 1,000€ re-design the Egos Website to be carried out by Othonas Vlassopoulos a Greek independent Website consultant. We paid Cash of 300€ and the remainder of 700€ has been paid by direct bank transfer and a new website is now working. It was also suggested that FIG is included in our Website as partners in the Young Surveyors Course.

Information for the Website is needed and the Members area will be private and only accessible by password.

#### 11. Next Meeting

The next meetings:

March/April 2016 - Thessaloniki, Greece date to be confirmed. November 2016 - Place and date to be confirmed April 2017 - Place and date to be confirmed. September 29/30<sup>th</sup> 2017 – Berlin dates to be confirmed.

#### 12. Any Other Business.

No other business was tabled.

#### 13. Close

NZ thanked all the members for attending and especially Randolph for allowing us to use his conference room.

# Summary of action from these Minutes

Decision	Action date	Action by
EGOS Web Site	Material for web site is required www.europeansurveyors.org Rewrite EGoS website. End 2015 beginning 2016. Sponsorship of Trade organisations	Administrators Nikos Zacharias and Malcolm Lelliott to develop with Othonas Vlasopoulos of Digital & Web Solutions. Launch new site.
Report on Questionnaire received from members on Education and Training of Surveyors – Updates have been requested – to be re- circulated	October 2005 complete Questionnaire to be up-dated. New members should be approached. This information has been shared with CLGE	Randolph Camilleri. Rahmi Nurhan Celik/Secretary. New members
Develop a template for Quality Assurance ISO EN 2001 and Environmental Management ISO EN 14001	Information circulated to members and a link is established on website. New ISO 9001-2015 QA	Bill Cowap/Secretary Paper circulated at meeting 13/11/2015
Comparison of the legal responsibilities of Surveyors in their capacity to act professionally. Extended to members	On-going – Members wishing to participate are to request questionnaire from secretary. New members may contribute	Members
Complete questionnaire on Planning Regulations	On-going – Members wishing to participate are to request questionnaire from secretary. New Members may contribute	Members
New prospective member Associations & organisations.	Develop association with prospective Members. On-going. Russia, Serbia, Denmark, Balkan countries and Scandinavian Countries	Randolph Camilleri, Nikos Zacharias, Florian Dietze- Römkens and Secretary General
Develop ideas for collaboration with, CLGE, FIG and AEEBC	The Officers attend CLGE and FIG meetings.	President and Vice Presidents, Secretary General
Continue lobbying on mutual recognition of qualifications by developing EurGeo Professional Card for Surveyors	Develop EurGeo Professional Card if required by the Members	President/Members/Secretary
EGoS Working Plan	Re-define new 3 year strategic plan for 2015 to 2018	All members to note and where applicable to act. New Officers to consider and develop.
Relationship with Other Bodies outside Europe	John Hohol - ACSM/NSPS – Develop MUO and agree.	Randolph Camilleri – Secretary General

Election or re-election of Officers	2018 – President, Vice Presidents and Secretary General all re-elected for further period	
EGoS Statues	No amendments received	Secretary general
Young Surveyors Course	EGoS to support FIG – define costs	Randolph Camilleri, Maria Grazi Scorza and Nikos Zacharias - Secretary General to act if required

Signed.....

Nikos Zacharias- President of EGoS.

1<sup>st</sup> April 2016