



General Assembly Meeting
14.30 to 16.30 on Friday 11th march 2011.

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Minutes

1. Opening of meeting and welcome Guests.

Randolph Camilleri greeted everyone to the General Assembly meeting including the Guests from:

Mr. Murat Maha. Kosova Cadastral Agency - Kosova
Mr. Todor Tordrov Kastadinov – Bulgaria – from the Chamber & Investment Design- Bulgaria
Mr. Bledi Stefa - Albania - President of Albania Association of Geodesy
Mr. Bashkim Idrizi - STATE UNIVERSITY OF TETOVA, Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Cartography, GIS & Geodesy - Tetova, FYRO Macedonia

2. Apologies received.

The following tendered their apologies

KCLG – Belgium – The Secretary general stated that he had emails from Lawrence stating that they had not yet selected anyone to represent them at EGoS meetings although he was still interested in retaining membership.

HARSE – Cyprus – No representative selected as yet.

Charles Dawson (CD), (*FPWS – President of Faculty of Party Wall Surveyors*) (UK) The secretary General stated that because of the financial situation he would be representing FPWS at future meetings.

Anthony Pearce, (AP), (*Past Secretary General*)

Ms. Rita Scully (JC), (*Limerick Institute of Technology*) (IR) – ML stated that contact had been made and that Rita Scully had been nominated representative for LIT to replace Joseph. They were unable to send a representative at this point in time.

The Secretary General then stated that he had sent invitations to Spain but there is still no response.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held in Brussels 9th Nov 2010 and Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting held in Brussels on 9th November 2010 had previously been circulated to members.

There were no alterations to the minutes and therefore they were unanimously approved, adopted and signed by the President as a true record.

Matters Arising

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

4. Relationship with AEEBC

ML had attended the last meeting of AEEBC in Madrid Spain and that the main work that the group had been involved with was that of Professional Recognition and the use of a "Professional Card."

This has been developed and was now under initial circulation by members of the AEEBC group who could apply on line. A questionnaire of educational standards and work processes formed part of the requirement to apply and the form would take some time to complete and therefore you would be able to save on line during the process whilst information is prepared.

In addition they hoped that the application forms for EurBE, which is the name of the card, would be made available to the AEEBC general membership by Spring of 2011. They have found that a separate Company will have to be formed to operate the card System as money will pass from applicants. The cost of the EurBE card would be 50€.

A discussion about the Card system or Professional Qualification will form part of the presentations that would be made to members at the seminar tomorrow.

EGoS will have to decide whether they wish to pursue a card system of recognition or to enter into a common platform of professional qualification with other similar minded member professions from member states.

ML stated that he felt it would be hard to utilise the "Card System" as EGoS had already tried to introduce the EurGeo passport system about 15 years ago and it was not taken-up by members because it was not recognised by their members who were governed by the Judiciary.

The only Members that took it up the EurGeo passport were UK and Ireland with approximately 120 members registering.

5. Relationship with other professional bodies

FIG.

No report.

CLGE

The President Randolph Camilleri and the president of CLGE Jean-Yves Pirlot, have been meeting on a regular basis, together with the Secretary general in attendance, to discuss mutual areas that affect the Surveying professions.

We have worked on the Recognition of Professional Qualifications and made representation to the EU Commission in response to their request for input.

We are liaising with the formation of the matrix of professional qualifications and EGoS has provided a copy of our research on this to CLGE for them to develop it further.

CLGE also are promoting the standardisation of measurement especially in relation to areas given for property such as; net, gross areas, cubic areas and so forth, as there appears to be no uniformity across the European continents.

FEANI

No report.

Mediterranean Countries

RC reported that a new group has been set up to represent the Mediterranean Countries, which he had been invited to attend the inaugural meeting held in France last year.

RC stated that he was not very pleased with the way the organisation had been set-up but that he would stay in touch as it was relevant to the Mediterranean countries. He will not be attending meetings officially.

6. Administration

Accounts

ML circulated the accounts as far as they were made up to the end of 2010 for EGoS and these were approved.

The matter of the levy that had been previously raised by RC had been investigated by ML. This is where the subscription would be calculated by the GDP of each country.

ML stated that it would be unfair to implement such a system and that it would be best to use the memberships discretion in making a judgement for the subscription to be paid by each member.

This was approved by the members.

RC thanked ML for administering the accounts but said we would have to carefully monitor the expenditure.

7. EGoS Web Site.

RNC brought up the web site on the overhead projector to show members how to use the site properly.

He gave an over-view of the sites and how to access events so that members could up-load their information and seminars etc.

ML stated that he was still having some difficulties where PDF could not be up-loaded on events and that this should be introduced to allow such items to be available from the site.

ML was still having difficulty with up-loading photos and this was remedied by RNC.

All Members should provide information to the website especially seminars that are of interest to surveyors.

8. Education and Training, European Issues and EGoS future Strategy

As a result of the preparations made by Nikos Zacharias and his colleagues a seminar on the professional qualification for Surveyors had been developed into a full day to be held tomorrow for Greek surveyors in and around Thessaloniki.

A full programme of guest speakers has been catered for and the information has been circulated to surveying students and professional surveyors.

The future of recognition of surveying functions will be in the hands the Commission and therefore it will be up to bodies such as EGoS to make representation if we are to be heard.

Quality Assurance.

Bill Cowap again provided information on details for the EGoS website for CIQA ISO EN 12001 environmental quality management scheme for surveying practices. A brochure had been produced in English giving information on the service provided and how to obtain qualification for the standard.

Bill asked for any help to translate the brochure that he had produced into members foreign languages. If this could be done then it would help promote the services offered to individuals across Europe.

ML stated that this should be available on the web site.

9 EGoS Statutes

The revised Statutes of EGoS had been amended by ML and circulated to the Members.

The copy was projected on the screen for members to comment and following some minor amendments the Statutes were agreed and adopted.

10. Election of EGoS Officers.

No further action required.

11. Nomination & Election of New Members.

Nikos Zacharias had contacted many organisations and invited them to attend the meeting of EGoS GA and he was pleased to report that as a result the following attendees are interest in joining EGoS:

Mr Murat Maha. Kosova Cadastral Agency - Kosova

Mr. Todor Kastadinov – from the Chamber & Investment Design- Bulgaria

Mr. Bledi Stefa - Albania - President of Albania Association of Geodesy

Mr. Bashkim Idrizi - STATE UNIVERSITY OF TETOVA, Faculty of Natural Sciences and

Mathematics. Cartography, GIS & Geodesy - Tetova, FYRO Macedonia

Randolph Camilleri welcomed the new members and asked who they represented and how many surveyors were involved.

BULGARIA

Mr. Todor Kastadinov represented the Chamber of Investment and Design. They had approximately 10,000 members with approximately 5000 professionals and 8 different departments.

KOSOVA

Mr Murat Maha Represented Association of Surveyors. There were approximately 1000 Expert members. In addition there is a faculty of Construction which includes surveyors with whom they co-operate.

ALBANIA

Mr Bledi Stafa stated that the Association of Geodesy had had their first General Assembly the end of last year.

They represented Cadastral surveyors within a chamber of Surveyors. This was made up by approximately 260 BA degree qualified surveyors, 50 Master's Degree surveyors and 130 other qualified surveyors.

Bledi offered Albania as a suitable place to hold a General Assembly meeting of EGoS and would be happy to host and arrange this if EGoS felt it was appropriate. Randolph accepted the invitation and asked the General Secretary to make the necessary arrangements.

FYRO MACEDONIA

Mr. Bashkim Idrizi stated that he represented Cartography surveyors who resided within a chamber of Surveyors.

It has about 100 young members (Students)

2000 Engineers – made up of approx. 1500 university graduates, 400 high School graduates and 200 members with practical work.

Randolph was pleased to welcome the representatives and invited them to join EGoS to represent their Country and Associations as future members. EGoS would be delighted to represent them at a European level.

All the guest wanted information on the Statutes and the cost involved in becoming members and ML stated that this will be circulated.

12. Nomination and Election of Corporate Member.

Nominations for more Corporate Membership is required from Members.

Please inform Secretary general of any leads, Companies or organisations that wish to become Corporate Members of EGoS

13. Future of EGoS

The expansion plan for the future of EGoS was been circulated and Members attention is drawn to the information within their packs.

14. Future meetings

Professional Qualifications & Joint responses:

10th August 2011 Brussels ML, RC, JYP (Jean-Yves Pirlot – President of CLGE)

26th November 2011 – Godalming ML, RC, JYP

November 2011 – AEEBC – Poland. ML.

Officers meeting:

13th May 2011 Heathrow- London – RC, RNC, NZ, ML.

September meeting in Malta had to be postponed because of ML hospital treatment.

Next General Assembly Meetings:

Cyprus –7th/8th or 14th/15th October 2011

Albania – April 2012

15. Any other business

RC and ML to continue with meetings with Jean-Yves in Brussels to discuss association between EGoS and CLGE and working together on mutual matters of concern.

16. Closing Address

Randolph thanked Nikos and his President Stefanos Xekalakis for their kind hospitality and organisation and looked forward to the seminar and open session that is to take place the following day when the Greek Surveyors and special speakers and guest would be attending.

Randolph thanked the members for attending, especially prospective new members, and hoped that the Members would develop and expand EGoS

Before the meeting closed Randolph required a photograph to be taken of the attendees.

*Malcolm Lelliott
Secretary General EGoS
September 2011*

Summary of action from these Minutes

Decision	Action date	Action by
Questionnaire on legal responsibilities of each member state	January 2006 - Circulated May 2006 – All members that have not returned this questionnaire please do so by return	Secretary
EGOS Web Site	Material for web site is required www.europeansurveyors.org	Rahmi Nurhan Celik to administer and all Members to provide material to secretary or where registered are able to upload themselves.
FCEP meeting in Brussels	Closed	Some talk of restarting this by AEEBC.
Directive on Services, Regulation on Code of Conduct and Establishment. Formation of Working Party	New Code of conduct produced by CLGE – This matter to be brought to December 2011 GA. -Do Members wish to adopt Code of Conduct in EGoS?	Randolph Camilleri
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
Mediterranean surveyors meeting to be organised by Italy	Finished	Possible connection with new established organisation
Develop a template for Quality Assurance ISO EN 2001 and Environmental Management ISO EN 12001	Information circulated to members and a link is established on website.	Bill Cowap/Secretary
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.	Members
Complete questionnaire on Planning Regulations	On going – Members wishing to participate are to request questionnaire from secretary	Members
Develop association with FIG	Investigate possibility of co-operation between the two organisations. This has not progressed any further.	Randolph Camilleri to investigate.
New prospective member Associations & organisations	Develop association with prospective Members	President, Vice President and Secretary general.

Develop ideas for collaboration with FEANI and AEEBC	Secretary General attends AEEBC meetings and reports to Members.	President and Vice Presidents/ Secretary General
Continue lobbying on mutual recognition of qualifications	On going in association with CLGE and on an individual EGoS basis	Secretary/Members
EGoS Working Plan	AS DEFINED IN WORKSHOP MINUTES HELD 8 th October 2010 – Brussels.	All members to note and where applicable to act.

Signed.....

Randolph Camilleri - President of EGoS.

Dated 9th December 2011.