



## **Minutes of the UMG Executive Board meeting**

Thursday 16 April 2015, Tintine room, Atlas Médina hotel - Marrakesh (Morocco)

### **Participants :**

**France :** Messrs. François Mazuyer, Jean-François Dalbin, Luc Lanoy, and Mrs Bénédicte Fournier-Schmitt ;

**Lebanon :** Mr. Antoine Mansour ;

**Morocco:** MM. Aziz Hilali, Khalid Yousfi, Mohamed Chrourou and Ms Fadoua Atillah ;

**Algeria :** Mr. Sidhoum Sebti ;

**Egypt:** Mrs Dalal Sobhi Alnaggar ;

**Tunisia :** Mr. Abdelaziz Nbiba.

### **Apologized :**

**Italy :** Mrs Maria Grazia Scorza ;

### **Agenda :**

- 1/ Preparation of the UMG general assembly 17 April 2015;
- 2/ State of progress of the 1st UMG congress preparations.

### **1/ Preparation of the UMG General Assembly 17 April 2015**

President Hilali thanks the Executive board members for coming all this way to Marrakesh and regrets the absence of Italy to the GA and the congress due to the organization of an event in Italy at the same time of the UMG congress.

The president takes short stock of the actions undertaken and the meetings which were organized during the 1<sup>st</sup> mandate of the current board. Three general assemblies out of the four initially planned were organized. The executive board met once a year instead of two times a year but every meeting was very productive.

The president also recalls that the UMG plan for action provided for:

- a) **Enlargement actions for new memberships:** the number of member states is still seven but actions of contact for an enlargement to new members were initiated.

On this issue, the Board members have explained all the contacts taken with the Mediterranean countries which are still not UMG members:

- ✓ Antoine Mansour (Lebanon) has been in touch with Turkey and Malta. The representatives of the profession in these two countries have expressed their interest to become a UMG member ;
- ✓ François Mazuyer (France) has also informed the Board of the contacts created with Spain, Cyprus and Croatia during different meetings at the European level. Considering the special conditions of the profession in Spain, no feedback has been received so far. As regards the representatives of the profession in Cyprus and Croatia, the interest was expressed but they all referred to financial problems.
- ✓ M. Hilali informed the Board that he had established contact with Palestine via the Ambassador for Palestine in Rabat.

The solution to increase the number of members would be to integrate countries as associated members, or another term to be found. Those countries would become UMG members for symbolic membership fees of 10 euros for instance without any voting right.

Associated members already exist: FGF and UAG.

**Decision 1:** The executive board, as foreseen by the statutes, decided to suggest to the general assembly the increase of the number of associated members. These members will become UMG members for a very symbolic participation of 10 euros per year and without any voting right.

**Decision 2:** The executive board, as foreseen by the statutes, decided to suggest the membership of UAG and FGF as associated members.

- b) **The support to training:** UMG supported in 2011 and 2013 the holding of training sessions for young surveyors organized by the Italian order of surveyors.
- c) **The organisation of the profession:** UMG supports the association of surveyors in Tunisia which is currently working in close collaboration with the Tunisian governmental instances for the setting of an order of surveyors.
- d) **Scientific actions:** those actions didn't materialize due to a lack of financial means.

President Hilali has informed the Board that the activity report, the financial report and a proposal of plan for action for the mandate 2015-2019 will be presented to the general assembly which will adopt them and elect the new executive board.

**Decision 3:** The executive board unanimously decided to suggest to the general assembly a resolution to renew the current Board in its entirety for a second mandate.

## 2/ State of progress of the preparations of the 1st UMG congress

- ✓ President Hilali has informed the Board members of the participation of 400 people (100 internationals, 300 Moroccans) to the 1st UMG congress. Twenty-two nationalities will be represented coming from different continents: Africa, United States and Europe.
- ✓ The official opening ceremony is planned 17 April 2015 at 5:30 pm with the participation of three ministers. Two of them will give a speech: the Minister for housing and town policy and the Minister for the environment.
- ✓ The representatives of international organizations: FGF, UAG, CLGE, the Union for the Mediterranean (UPM) and the Parliamentary assembly of the Mediterranean (APM) will also give a speech.

- ✓ Despite her support to the event, FIG president apologized for not being able to take part in the congress.
- ✓ A 7'30 institutional film will present the UMG as well as the theme of the congress at the beginning of the ceremony.
- ✓ A press point is foreseen before the opening ceremony.
- ✓ The congress attracted the attention of the Moroccan press as can be seen in the press review presented by president Hilali and delivered to the board members.
- ✓ President Hilali informed the board members that the scientific committee finished the congress declaration to define the lines for a cooperation with the Mediterranean partners, in particular UPM and APM.

## **2/ Informations**

- a) Mrs Dalal Alnaggar presented the regional conference of Charm El Cheick. She expressed the wish to have every regional organization represented and making a 20 minute presentation on its objectives and actions which contribute to the development of the profession.
- b) Mr. Chrourou, ONIGT president (Morocco) informed the Board members that ONIGT decided to organize its 7th national congress 23 and 24 October 2015 in Rabat.

**President**  
**Aziz Hilali**

**General Secretary**  
**Luc Lanoy**