

Statutes Committee Meeting ECM-123
Hyundai Hotel, Geongju, Korea.
Friday 19 August 2016.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Function</i>
Christoph Eisenmenger-Sittner	Chair
David Sykes	Secretary
Mariano Anderle	Member
Jean-Jacques Pireaux	Member
Lars Montelius	Member
Jay Hendricks	Observer
Sidney Cohen	Observer
Anouk Galtayries	Observer
Maria Carmen Asensio	Observer
Jean-Louis Bersier	Observer
Katsuyuki Fukutani	Observer
Ute Bergner	Observer
Martin Wuest	Observer
Christian Teichert	Observer
Geun Young Yeom	Observer
Yongmin Kim	Observer
Pedro Nascente	Observer
Emmanuel Haro Poniatowski	Observer
Javaid Ahsan Bhatti	Observer
Mario Rocca	Observer
Nikloa Radic	Observer

1. Christoph Eisenmenger-Sittner, the Chairman, opened the meeting at 5.35 p.m. He presented the draft agenda which had been circulated to members of the committee; there were no changes requested and so the draft agenda was adopted.
2. It was reported that the minutes of the previous meeting had been posted on the web; comments were invited; there were no comments and the minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record.
3. The Chairman reported that there was nothing contentious to discuss in the meeting, just preparation for the forthcoming General Meeting:
 - a) New guidelines for Short Courses that would be included in the Procedures Manual
 - b) There would be a formal vote to admit Bulgaria and The Philippines to membership of the Union. Bulgaria had already been admitted to Provisional Membership, the application from The Philippines, which appeared to be all in order, would be discussed in the forthcoming Emerging Societies meeting and the ECM on Sunday.
 - c) It was anticipated that there may be an issue with the membership of Japan in the forthcoming triennium as the Japanese Vacuum Society was planning to merge with the Japanese Surface Science Society, a process expected to begin in November 2016. How this would impact on Japan's membership would depend upon the extent of the changes to their constitution.

4. It was reported that the Awards and Scholarship Committee had requested changes to the Procedures Manual as it had been noted that it contained contradictory information regarding the responsibility for setting up the IUVSTA Prize Winner selection committee. It was agreed that this responsibility should rest with the Awards and Scholarships Committee. Further the ASC had reviewed the responsibilities of the committee and it had been requested that these be brought into line with current practice, especially as a result of the uncertainty over the future of the Welch Scholarship. It was agreed that no formal vote on these changes would be necessary at the General Meeting.
5. The Secretary General showed the agenda for GM19 and explained how the General Meeting would be followed by the 2016 Extraordinary General Meeting. No amendments to the Statutes or By Laws were considered necessary. He highlighted the decisions that would have to be made and the reports to be presented.
6. The Chairman enquired if there were any items members wished to discuss under the heading of “any other business”; there were none.
7. The meeting was formally adjourned at 6.15 p.m.

David Sykes
3.10.2016