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**Minutes of the Executive Council Meeting of the IUVSTA**  
**Palais de Congres, Paris, France.**  
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2013.**

The President, Dr Mariano Anderle, opened the meeting at 2.00 pm.

**1 Attendance**

Officers:	President	Dr Mariano Anderle
	President Elect	Lars Montelius
	Past President	Prof J-J Pireaux
	Secretary General	Prof Christoph Eisenmenger-Sittner
	Scientific Director	Prof David Ruzic
	Scientific Secretary	Dr Andrej Vincze

Councillors:	Australia	Bruce King (alternate)
	Austria	Manfred Leisch
	Belgium	Diederik Depla
	Brazil	Pedro Nascente
	Croatia	Nikola Radic (alternate)
	Czech Republic	Stanislav Novak
	France	Anouk Galtayries
		Daniel Verniere (alternate)
	Germany	Frank Richter
	Great Britain	David Sykes
	Hungary	András Berkó (alternate)
	Italy	Espedito Vassallo
	Japan	Katsuyuki Fukutani (alternate)
	Korea	Geun Young Yeom
	Mexico	Sandra Rodil
	Pakistan	Javaid Ahsan Bhatti
	Portugal	Orlando Teodoro
	Slovakia	Marian Veselý
		Marian Vojs (alternate)
	Slovenia	Janez Kovac
		Monika Jenko (alternate)
	Spain	J A Martin-Gago
	Switzerland	Martin Wüest
	USA	Gregory Exarhos (alternate)

Observers: Giacomo Ceccone (Bio Interfaces Division), Maria-Carmen Asensio (Surface Science Division), Peter Varga (Surface Science Division), Miran Mozetic (Education Committee), Reinhard Schwartz (Portugal), Hideaki Kasai (Nanoscience Division) Yoshio Saito (Vacuum

Society of Japan), Jin-Hyo Boo (IVC20), Jong Su Kim (Korean Vacuum Society), Ana Gomes Silva (Nanoscience Division), Alejandro Gutierrez (Applied Surface Science Division), Jay Hendricks (Vacuum Science Division), M-G Barthes (IVC19 Chair and Former President).

Recording Secretary: Dr D E Sykes

The Secretary General, Christoph Eisenmenger-Sittner, reported that there were twenty six votes present in the room and seven proxies giving thirty three votes in all; as the quorum was twenty five the meeting was quorate.

## **2 President's Opening Statement**

The President, Dr Mariano Anderle, welcomed the delegates to the first ECM of the new triennium.

## **3 Secretary General's Report**

The Secretary General, Christoph Eisenmenger-Sittner, introduced himself to the delegates.

## **4 Treasurer's Forward View**

François Reniers, the Treasurer, was not present at the meeting and the President informed the delegates that the report would be discussed at ECM118.

## **5 Scientific Director's Forward View**

The Scientific Director, Prof David Ruzic, reported that the electoral process for the Scientific Divisions was complete; each Division had a chair, vice chair and secretary. He looked forward to a vibrant triennium ahead and reminded the Divisional members it was up to them to put forward ideas for new scientific activities. He told them that instructions outlining the Directorate's activities were available on the Union's web site. He said that the instructions regarding Short Courses was not good and informed the ECM that he had set up a committee comprising himself, Joe Greene, Javaid Bhatti and Nikola Radic to review and revise the information. Prof Ruzic listed the new chairs of Divisions.

The President asked the new Division Chairs to familiarise themselves with the workings of the Union by reading the Statutes and Bye Laws and the Procedures Manual, all of which were available on the Union's web site; he informed the new members of the user name and password necessary to access the member's area.

## 6 Committee Programmes for the Triennium

The President announced the names of the chairmen of the various committees of the Union; the Secretary General circulated sheets on which the Councillors and Alternates could sign up to join the committees they wished to participate in.

## 7 Future ECMs

The Secretary General informed the ECM that he had received one bid to host ECM118 and that was from Italy; he invited the President to present the bid. The President reminded the ECM that it was the tradition that an ECM should be held in the home country of the President during his term in office. ECM118 would be held 28-30 March 2014 in Trento, Italy. The venue would be the Hotel Villa Madruzzo which had been the venue for the ECM immediately preceding the IVC conference in Venice in 2004. The hotel is 5-10 minute by bus from the railway station and has a swimming pool and free wi-fi. The nearest airports are Verona (1hr), Venice (2hr), Milan (3hr) and Munich (4hr). The possibility of a bus from Verona airport to the hotel would be investigated. The cost per delegate for full board (Friday dinner to Sunday lunch) was expected to be 380 Euro  $\pm$  5%, an extra night would cost 85Euro; accompanying person cost would be 150Euro and would not include lunch on the Saturday.

The Secretary General informed the ECM that he would be sending out requests for bids to host ECM119 and ECM120 within the next few weeks and the venues decided at EC118.

## 8 A.O.B.

The President asked if any of the delegates had matters they wished to raise.

Orlando Teodoro commented that the next EVC Conference was to be held in Porto, Portugal and that would be a good venue for ECM119.

Anouk Galtayries, chair of the Congress Planning Committee, invited M-G Barthes as Chair of IVC19 to give a status update. It was reported that 1800 abstracts from 73 countries had been received; they covered 15 topics and 134 sub-topics; there had been 5 plenary talks, 10 keynote and 97 invited presentations. There had been a total of 2500 attendees (1750 conference delegates, 400 exhibitors and 300 visitors to the exhibition). The five short courses offered had been well attended attracting over 110 participants. M-G expressed the opinion that the Union should reconsider its Divisional structure as there had been considerable overlap between the topics organised by different Divisions citing Surface Engineering, Thin Film and Plasma Divisions as an example. She commented that the overlap problem wasted time and energy and requested that this matter should be reviewed in plenty of time for the organisers of IVC20 to make a sensible selection of scientific topics. In conclusion, she thanked her Vice-Chairs and Programme Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs for their work in making IVC19 a success and looked forward to IVC20.

Mariano Anderle commented that the Union was stronger as a result of M-G's work and asked all present to thank her for her efforts.

Anouk Galtayries then invited Prof Boo of the Korean Vacuum Society to give an update on IVC20. The conference will be held 22-26 August 2016 in Busan, South Korea. Busan is the second largest city in Korea and is located in the south east of the country near nice beach areas. The venue for the associated ECM preceding the conference had yet to be decided but maybe in an ancient city nearby.

Mariano Anderle reminded the Korean delegation that Anouk Galtayries, as Chair of the Congress Planning Committee, was the point of reference for the organisation of the meeting.

The Secretary General asked the delegates to ensure that they lodged proxies for subsequent ECMs with him; there was a blanket one for the whole triennium and an individual one for a specific meeting, he emphasised the need to have these to ensure that future meetings were quorate.

Mariano Anderle thanked the French Vacuum Society and, in particular, Daniel Verniere for the successful organisation of GM18, EGM2013 and ECM117. He said he had a good team around him and he looked forward to working with them in the forthcoming triennium.

## **9 Motion to Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was proposed and seconded; the motion was carried and the meeting closed at 14.50.

D E Sykes  
Recording Secretary  
26 September 2013