



Management Committee Meeting

Brussels – 6th February 2017

MINUTES

Attendees

Members present:

Salvador CARMONA (President)
Philip JOOS (President-elect)
Saverio BOZZOLAN (Treasurer)
Lisa EVANS
Beatriz GARCIA OSMA
Annalisa PRENCIPE
Aljoša VALENTINCIC
Nicole COOPMAN (Executive Secretary)

Member attending via Skype:

Begoña GINER
Miles GIETZMANN

Member excused:

Hanna SILVOLA

Agenda

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11. EAA Awards
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Minutes

1. Welcome, apologies and adoption of the agenda

The President, Salvador Carmona (SC), welcomed all members present.

2. Matters arising

No matter arising was raised.

ITEMS FOR REPORTING/NOTING

3. President's update

The President alerted the MC on the following two issues with the only purpose of being aware of it:

- 1) Donald Trump's decision to prevent people from several countries (incl. students) from returning to the US.
- 2) Case of fraud email.

4. Treasurer's update

4.1. Preliminary EAA accounts 2016

Saverio Bozzolan (SB), the Treasurer, presented the provisional Accounts 2016 (see Appendix 4.1+ 4.2).

The YTD December 2016 figures are shown in comparison to the Budget 2016 and to the Actual 2015.

4.2. Savings and investments

After showing an overall picture of the financial status, SB recalled the investment strategy he proposed during the October 2016 MC meeting and approved by the MC

5. Congress updates

5.1. Update on the preparations for the EAA Congress 2017, Valencia

Begoña Giner (BG), the Chair of the EAA Congress 2017, reported that preparations were ongoing as announced in earlier meetings. She referred to the revised budget they had prepared (see Appendix 5.1).

Beatriz Garcia Osma (BGO), responsible within the Valencia team for following up on the symposia, reported that close to all of them were organised. She was still waiting for the responses of some scholars she had invited recently. The main issue she had had to face was to avoid overlap between the sponsored symposia and the academic symposia.

BG mentioned that she had already contacted IFRS for the Teaching Workshop and that a first conference call regarding the conference app was scheduled for the week after this meeting.

The President congratulated BG and her team and wished them well for the final preparations.

5.2. Update on the preparations for the EAA Congress 2018, Milan

Miles Gietzmann (MG), Chair of the EAA Congress 2018, and Annalisa Prencipe (AP), Member of the EAA Congress 2018 team, referred to their slide presentation (see Appendix 5.2) focusing on the novelties compared to what had been reported in the October 2016 meeting, i.e. in particular:

- the venues for the gala dinner;
- the venues for the EAA Doctoral Colloquium;
- the promotion leaflet was ready to be distributed in Valencia;
- the banner for the website was ready → it was pointed out that the dates of the Doctoral Colloquium should be included in the banner;
- the Italian VAT registration was completed;
- the budget had been substantially revised: some costs were deleted and some others re-dimensioned allowing for the fees to be reduced:

early bird fee	450€
regular fee	520€
onsite fee	570€
accompanying person	250€

AP referred to two open issues:

1. Conference book → the MC confirmed that no hard-copy version of the conference book needed to be produced anymore;
2. Hotel booking → the MC confirmed that a hotel booking service was mandatory.

The President thanked MG and AP for their presentation and for the work done so far.

5.3. Update on the EAA Congress 2019, Paphos

The President referred to the preliminary budget for the EAA Annual Congress 2019 (see Appendix 5.3). No major issue was identified.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION

6. Doctoral Colloquium and Congress issues

6.1 Future conference venues

The President thanked Matias Laine (ML), the EAA Conference Committee Chair, for his excellent follow up on future congresses and for having provided 3 proposals for 2020-2021-2022 as well as preliminary budgets (see Appendices 6.1a to 6.1g) for Bucharest, Aalto and Vilnius.

6.2 Attendance of EAA student at AAA Doctoral Consortium

Beatriz Garcia Osma (BGO) explained that a request for nominating the EAA student who would attend the AAA DC 2017 to be held June 14-18, 2017 in Westlake, Texas had been received. The deadline for nominations was December 16, 2016, which could not be met given that the EAA student is selected from among the PhD students attending the EAA DC 2017 in May. It was agreed to stick to the current process for the selection of the EAA doctoral student entitled to attend the AAA Doctoral Consortium.

7. Governance issues

7.1 Nominations

The President reported on a series of nominations to be approved by the MC.

MC Members (2017-2020)

As usual a long list of scholars had been nominated by the EAA members for membership to the Management Committee.

The MC unanimously approved the nominations of the candidates proposed, which would be submitted to the Board's approval after this meeting.

The President considered that it may be good to review the corporate governance rule in this respect.

PC Member (2017-2010)

The President welcomed Giovanna Michelin, the candidate proposed by the PC and already approved by the MC, on the EAA Publications Committee in replacement of Peter Walton.

On behalf of the MC, the President expressed the immense debt of gratitude that EAA has towards Peter, who has been fundamental in enhancing both its academic profile (e.g., EAR, AinE) and its professional impact (e.g., international, professional associations).

SSC Member (2017-2020)

On behalf of the MC, the President thanked SSC Chair Ralf Ewert and the entire Standing Scientific Committee for the great job done so far for the Valencia congress.

SC will ask Ralf to come up in Valencia with a candidate to replace - if needed - the SSC member whose term of office came to an end this year.

7.2 Result elections Board members (2017-2020)

The President referred to the document listing the elected National Representatives, which had been circulated prior to the meeting (see Appendix 7.2).

8. PhD support and training

8.1 EAA Academic Resource Centre (EAA-ARC)

Philip Joos (PJ) complimented the ARC team members following up on the events, who started in 2016 and who were working together in harmony. No changes were foreseen among the various ARC Committee Editors

The next platforms to be launched were the PhD review and the PhD Forum.

On behalf of all MC members, the President congratulated Thorsten Sellhorn for the great job he had done with the ARC and thinking in terms of continuity he suggested to ask Thorsten if he was willing to stay on the team. The MC unanimously approved SC's proposal.

8.2 Academic first paper consultancy service

Beatriz Garcia Osma (BGO) reported that James Cleaver from T&F had sent a draft contract for hosting the PhD review on their Scholar 1 platform.

8.3 EAA PhD Forum 2017

Philip Joos (PJ), one of the co-organisers of the PhD Forum 2017, skimmed through the programme proposed.

He mentioned that it would be good to have someone who attended a previous workshop and was recruited via the EAA job market.

8.4 EAA job market: Talent Workshops 2016 and 2017

The President reported that the EAA Talent Workshop 2016 had attracted 58 recruiters including major European institutions.

The MC members agreed that future events of the Workshop would be held in Madrid.

9. EAA membership

9.1 Membership services

9.2 Update on Task Force “Diversity”

The President referred to the report written by Philip Joos (PJ) and Lisa Evans (LE) reflecting on the possibilities to increase the membership benefits for EAA members (see Appendix 9.1), and in particular in terms of:

- networking at conferences
- having access to more resources
- benefiting from funding
- developing career development opportunities

It was agreed that PJ and LE’s idea to conduct a members’ survey to find out what other services would be good to do in the short run. It could be sent to current and past EAA members. It could also be asked to national accounting associations to run it among their members.

The President summarised the MC decisions as follows:

- a series of interviews will be conducted (SC);
- a survey will be ready for circulation by May (PJ/LE);
- a communication policy will be put in place (PJ);
- special panels will be organised during the EAA 2018 congress (AP will check with AAA with the help of PJ);
- an effort to improve the quality of the conference will be made (SC will contact the SSC Chair, Ralf Ewert).

The President referred to a proposal made by Ann Jorissen regarding the possibility of organising sessions on “good teaching practices” during the EAA congress. The MC approved to run one first teaching session during the EAA 2017 congress.

10. Interaction with other organisations

10.1 National Accounting Associations – Reception 2017

The President informed that a reception for representatives of national accounting associations would be organised again in Valencia, as it had been the case last year in Maastricht. The invitation will be sent in the month of March 2017.

10.2 Collaboration EAA-ASEPUC

The President mentioned that he would invite the President of ASEPUC to the reception in Valencia and discuss with him the possibility of establishing a stable relationship between both associations.

10.3 IASB Research Forum 2017

The President referred to the invitation drafted by Ann Jorissen for the EAA-IASB Research Forum that will be organised in November 2017 in Brussels, as well as to her proposed list of guests.

10.4 Collaboration EAA-IASB

This topic was not further discussed.

10.5 Nominations to EFRAG

The President referred to the EFRAG Call for Candidates for its Academic Panel.

10.6 Collaboration with ANPCONT

The President considered that it would be good to have a strong relationship with Latin America.

11. EAA Awards

The President reminded the MC members that it had been decided earlier not to give any particular award in Valencia. A nice video giving the floor to all past Congress Presidents will be presented.

12. Any Other Business

12.1 Minutes of MC meetings

The President recalled the current procedure regarding the MC minutes:

No other question or remark was made. The President thanked all MC members for another excellent meeting and wished them a nice trip back home.

ANNEX: Overview of actions to be undertaken further to the decisions taken during this MC meeting.

ANNEX – ACTION LIST - EAA MC MEETING 06.02.2017

Item	Action	To be done by
Financials		
EAA savings	Transfer money from KBC to ING account up to the maximum guaranteed (i.e. 100.000€)	Nicole
Congress and DC		
Congress 2019 Paphos	Ask Irene Karamanou via Matias to provide info related to the budget foreseen for: - Handbook and conference programme (7.200€) - Costs for proceedings (5.000€)	Salvador
Future congresses	Inform Matias of MC decision as to order of future congresses: - Helsinki - Bucharest - Vilnius	Salvador
Congress Bucharest	Ask Catalin Albu via Matias to provide: - a list of the local team members - a revised budget reflecting: - a breakdown for the social events costs - a lower number of accompanying persons - a lower expected income for sponsorship + Send Tallinn budget as an example	Salvador
Congress Helsinki	Ask Teemu Malmi and Seppo Ikäheimo via Matias: - to reconsider the limit of 850 delegates - to provide a breakdown of the social events costs (catering)	Salvador
Congress Vilnius	Ask Lina Kloviene via Matias to provide: - a refined budget in order to take a decision in one year's time from now - a list of the local team members - information regarding flights to Vilnius	Salvador
Attendance EAA student at AAA DC	Inform AAA that EAA sticks to current system.	Nicole
Governance		
Nominations MC members	- Approach 4 potential candidates (Mark Clatworthy, Martin Jacob, Marko Jarvenpää, Anne Jeny Cazavan) and ask them if they are willing to serve - Send ballot to Board asking to elect 2 members (on behalf of EAA President) - Raise governance issue during Board meeting in Valencia	Salvador Nicole Salvador

Nominations SSC members	Ask Ralf to come up with candidates for MC meeting May 2017	Salvador
Election Board members	Send message to elected members (on behalf of EAA President)	Nicole
PhD support		
ARC team	Ask Thorsten if he is willing to remain involved in the development of the ARC platform	Salvador
Funding ARC platform	Ask Ann Jorissen if she is willing to play the role of "External Affairs Manager"	Salvador
PhD Review	Ask IT guy Paul Moulard to restrict access to PhD Review platform to EAA members (on behalf of Beatriz)	Nicole
PhD Forum 2017	Ask Elvira Scarlat if she wants to present in PhD Forum as junior faculty hired in Talent Workshop	Salvador
Membership and diversity		
New services for members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Run interviews with 10 persons to understand which new services would be useful to them before May 2017 - Set up a survey to be ready by May 2017 - Organise a teaching session at EAA 2017 + provide a list of IT vendors - Ask EAR Editor to plan a special issue on a non-mainstream relevant topic - Organise a special panel at EAA 2018 - Approach SSC Chair Ralf Ewert to see how to improve the quality of the congress 	<p>Salvador / Bea</p> <p>Philip / Lisa Ann J. / Begoña Philip Salvador</p> <p>Annalisa Salvador</p>
Interaction with other organisations		
National Associations	Send invitations for reception organised in Valencia (on behalf of EAA President)	Nicole
ASEPUC	Invite the President to the reception of National Associations in Valencia	Salvador / Nicole
IASB Research Forum	Send invitations to potential delegates (on behalf of EAA President)	Ann J. / Nicole
EFRAG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inform Ann J. as to how the MC decided to handle the EFRAG call for candidates - If OK, ask the identified candidates to send their CV 	<p>Salvador</p> <p>Nicole</p>
ANPCONT	Invite the President and the VP to attend the EAA Annual Congress and offer a free place	Salvador / Nicole