



**MINUTES  
of the  
30<sup>th</sup> EFEE Board Meeting,  
held in  
Lisbon, Portugal  
on  
5<sup>th</sup> March, 2011**

## **PRESENT:**

Donald Jonson (DJ), Sweden	President
Jörg Rennert (JR), Germany	Vice President
José Carlos Góis (JCG), Portugal	Immediate Past President
Johan Finsteen Gjørdvad (JFG), Denmark	
Alexander Efremovtsev (AE), Russia	
Predrag Šinik (PSi), Slovenia	
Roger Holmberg (RH), Malta	Secretary

## **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Heinz Berger (HB), Austria  
Konstantin Efremovtsev (KE), Russia

## **APOLOGIES**

Remy Müller (RM), Switzerland                      Treasurer

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### **1. Opening of meeting**

The President DJ warmly welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting and gave RM's apologies. DJ thanked JCG for arranging the meeting and the visits to the conference hotel and the place where the Gala Dinner will be held.

### **2. Agenda**

The Agenda was approved.

### **3. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The MoM from London was approved as a true record of the meeting and signed by the President DJ.

### **4. Matters arising (if not on the Agenda)**

None

### **5. Administration**

#### **a. Finance and banking report**

The Income/Expenditures statements and Balance Sheet for Y2010 were presented and analysed. The formal audit has not yet been performed but will take place before the Council and AGM meetings in Kiev, 7<sup>th</sup> May.

The Management Accounts for 2011 up to Feb 28 was reviewed.

Net current Assets 27 Feb 2011; €101,786

#### **b. Membership Applications report**

Three new individual members have applied since the Board meeting in London;

- Zou Dingxiang, Hongkong
- Stig Olsen, Norway  
and
- Juergen Hanten, Germany.

Paid 2011 Memberships up to Feb 28 are;

- 14 out of 25 National Members
- 7 out of 10 Company Members and

- 30 out of 42 Individual Members.
- There are 24 voting members in the Council (France has 2 National Members).

The following numbers of members have paid subscription fees 2010;

	2009	2010
National members	24	24*
Company members	12	9
Individual members	49	39
Membership fees	22003€	21878€

\*Poland has paid for the years of 2008 and 2009 but not for 2010. Spain has paid for 2010 but not for 2009.

Discussions were held of how to increase members. Some suggestions were;

- Translate National papers to English and publish them on the website.
- Produce videos of paper presentations from the Lisbon conference and upload them on website.
- Arrange a workshop in conjunction with the Council meetings.
- Publish Abstracts on the web.
- Promote EFEE at the conference. Booth, flyers etc.
- Presentation of EFEE in the opening of the Conference.

*Action: RH to contact Webmaster and check what costs are and how much server capacity is needed for publishing videos on the website. Ask for permission to film some presentations. JCG to check if some student can film the presentations. DJ to prepare opening of conference. JFG produces a flyer to be handed out to the delegates by Tyler. JFG will provide a spokesman for EFEE in the EFEE booth. RH to check statistics of website visits.*

**c. EFEE Shotfirer certificate report**

5 shotfirer licences have been issued 2011. 3 new ones (2 Kazakhstan and 1 Estonia) and 2 renewals (Netherlands).

One additional application has been received from Russia and is awaiting approval.

**6. EFEE World Conferences**

**a. 6th EFEE Conference – Lisbon 2011**

Tyler will participate in Kiev and give an update of the Conference. A Bronze sponsorship will be offered apart from Gold and Silver.

*Technical Committee;*

Chairman Roger Holmberg, Malta

Finn Ouchterlony, Sweden

José A. Sanchidrian, Spain

Peter Moser, Austria

Jerry Wallace, USA

José Gois, Portugal

Robert Farnfield, UK

EFEE has received 52 abstracts. Tech Comm has evaluated the abstracts and so far approved 42 papers. There may be additional 1 or 2 papers from Student Awards.

*Workshop;*

**"New EU-directives"**

14.00-14.20 Maik Schmahl "Status of New EU-Directives"

14.20-14.40 Thomas Menzel and Jörg Rennert "Possibilities for the practical realization of the EU DIRECTIVE 2008/43/EC based on software solution by Dresden Informatik GmbH"

14.40-15.00 Questions/Discussion

15.00-15.30 Coffee Break

**"How to handle and solve vibration, noise disturbances in urban tunnelling projects"**

15.30-16.00 Sven-Erik Johansson "Stockholm City Line - A Blasting Challenge"

16.00-16.30 Ulf Lichte "The demolition of shelters by controlled blasting in city areas - requirements of the vibration monitoring"

16.30-16.45 Doug Andersson "New York City Tunnelling -Experiences of Strain gauges vs Peak Particle Velocities"

16.45-17-00 Questions/Discussion

#### **b. Student Competition**

So far Secretariat has received two applications;

Ana Rita Farinha

Born; 1981

PhD Student in Mechanical Engineering

Departamento de Engenharia Mecânica - Rua Luís Reis dos Santos Pólo II da Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal

Prizes received; Best Poster in Conference "Materials 2007" of Portuguese Society of Materials

ABSTRACT: Explosive Densification of Metal Powders

Viktor Zhulickov

Born:1989

5<sup>th</sup> year student

Moscow State Mining University, Moscow, Russian Federation

Prizes received; 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Russian Conference – Competition of Students 2010 in St Petersburg.

ABSTRACT: Mathematic Model and Software for the Bench Blasting

The Board extended the deadline for applications. New deadline is 25 March.

#### **c. 7<sup>th</sup> EFEE Conference – Moscow 2013**

A proposal for contract has been sent to Russia from the Conference Committee.

KE and AE gave a presentation of the preparations. The event will take place in Hotel Cosmos. The preliminary budget was shown.

**Action: AE to bring new contract proposal to Kiev.**

**d. 8<sup>th</sup> EFEE Conference – 2015**

The National Members have been asked to come up with proposals for 2015. So far none has indicated their interest to the EFEE Secretariat.

**7. EFEE communication and marketing**

**a. Website**

It was in London suggested that it should be possible for Company Members to become more visible. One suggestion was to get a link to their website. A reference to EFEE Company Members has been added at the website but so far no company has wanted to pay extra for a link to their own website.

Another task performed was to insert a dynamic frame/picture showing their logo, name etc. A test dynamic frame has been inserted on web front page showing an example of what it could look like but so far no Company Member has responded positively.

The logo of EUExcert has been added to the website.

**b. Newsletter**

Next Newsletter will be published after the Kiev meeting.

Possible topics in the spring Newsletter are;

- Presidents voice
- Student Award
- Lisbon Conference
- Technical article from Germany (JR)
- Technical article from Russia (KE)
- Traceability directive (PSi)
- Outcome of ESSEEM (JCG)
- Meeting in Bruxelles, EU-Commission re shotfirer training
- Photo/Video contest announcement.
- Upcoming events
- New member Nobel Technics AS
- Lisbon papers to be presented (RH)

**c. Marketing and Membership**

Nothing new to report.

**8. European shotfiring**

**a. EFEE European individual shotfiring certificate procedures**

Nothing new to report.

**b. ESSEEM project**

A meeting was held in Bruxelles.

No new directive is underway. The Commission only deals with 93/15 and Security.

Ms Joanna Baztura from LdV gave information of different main types of projects financed by Leonardo da Vinci. EFEE can gain money if they establish a project which is approved by the Program Officers. The Shotfirer Committee will discuss the way forward in Kiev.

**9. New EUExcert Project EUExNet**

A meeting will be held in Riga 14-15 April in Riga. JCG will report at the Kiev meeting.

**10. EU Directives**

An official letter from EFEE was sent to the EU commission in October 2010 to try to delay the implementation of the traceability directive with three years.

**Result:** This was successful and the implementation has been postponed to April 2015 for the end-user. For producers the date is April 2013.

A proposal was raised that EFEE should work together with FEEM.

**Action: Investigate possibilities to work in the FEEM group. PSi and JR.**

**11. Constitution and Bylaws**

The proposal was sent out to all Council Members for comments. The final proposal from the Committee shall be sent out to all six weeks before the Kiev meeting for final voting.

**12. Work Plan**

The work plan was reviewed.

**13. Any Other Business**

**Action: The Board shall look into national vibration standards and come to Kiev well prepared.**

**14. Dates of next meetings**

- a. Spring 2011: Kiev, 6-7 May (Committees, Board, Council and AGM)
- b. Summer 2011: June 18 – Trieste, Portoroz, (Board)
- c. Autumn 2011: September 16-17, Lisbon (Committees, Board and Council)

**Action: The Board decided to cancel the meeting in Portoroz and to have a meeting in end of October or beginning of November. Exact date and place will be decided at the Lisbon conference. Suggested place is Bled, Slovenia.**

**15. Adjourn**

The President thanked everyone for attending and contributing to the meeting. The Meeting was adjourned.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

President

Date \_\_\_\_\_