



**MINUTES  
of the  
62<sup>nd</sup> EFEE Board Meeting,  
held in  
Moscow, Russia  
on  
17<sup>th</sup> February, 2018**

Secretary General Roger Holmberg

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**European Federation of Explosives Engineers  
Fédération Européenne des Spécialistes de Minage  
Europäischer Sprengverband**



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## **PRESENT:**

Igor Kopál (IK), Slovak Republic, President  
Jari Honkanen (JH), Finland, Vice President  
Johan Finsteen Gjøvdad (JFG), Denmark, Immediate Past President  
Heinz Berger (HB), Austria, Treasurer  
Donald Jonson (DJ), Sweden  
Jörg Rennert (JR), Germany,  
Viive Tuuna, (VT), Estonia  
Doru Anghelache (DA), Romania  
Roger Holmberg (RH), Sweden, Secretary General

## **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Konstantin Efremovtsev (KE), Russia

## **APOLOGIES:**

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### **1. Opening by the President**

The President Igor Kopal welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting and thanked Konstantin Efremovtsev for the hotel arrangements. The President also thanked Secretary General for his assistance with the meetings.

### **2. Agenda**

The Agenda was approved.

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

The MoM from Vienna, Austria 2017-11-25 was approved as a true record of the meeting and signed by President.

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

None.

### **5. Administration**

#### **a. Management Accounts Year 2017**

	Euro Funds
	€
Balance brought forward	€ 232 040,83
Income	€ 144 920,26
Expenditure	€ 49 810,26
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>	<b>€ 327 150,83</b>
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>	
ERSTE Bank	€ 140 236,68
PayPal Austria	€ 1 749,93
OBERBANK	€ 95 133,62
Reiffeisen	€ 90 030,60
Debtors	€ 0,00
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>	<b>€ 0,00</b>
<b><u>Net Current Assets</u></b>	<b>€ 327 150,83</b>

**b. Management Accounts 1<sup>st</sup> Jan to 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2018**

The Management Accounts were visited.

Incomes € 18 578,14 and Expenditures € 2 281,42.

Net current Assets; € 343 447,55 consisting of;

ERSTE BANK € 154 911,61

Reiffeisen € 90 030,60

OBERBANK € 95 133,62

Austrian PayPal € 3 371,727

Heinz Berger mentioned that EFEE may invest in funds or shares as the interest from banks will continue to be very low.

***Decision: The Board decided that the assets should be kept safe in banks.***

***Action: Heinz Berger shall open a new account on a new bank and also investigate if it is possible to get a higher interest.***

***Action: The Board shall during 2018 outline a new strategy for EFEE and its members.***

***Action: The President and JFG will contact the Committee Chairmen and ask them to propose some ideas at the Meeting in Dubrovnik.***

**c. Membership Applications report**

EFEE has approved one new corporate member i.e. AVA Monitoring AB from Sweden since last Council meeting in Stockholm.

When AVA has paid there will be the following number of members;

24 National Members (unfortunately Russia never paid or answered the phone calls and e-mails from President and must be considered non-member), 36 Company Members, 125 Individual Members, 2 Student Members and 3 Honorary Members. SAFEX is an associated member of EFEE.

Paid 2018 Memberships are;

- 14 out of 24 National Members.
- 20 out of 36 Corporate.
- 57 out of 123 Individual Members.
- 1 out of 2 Student and Former Retired EFEE Members.

***Action: President will contact the Russian National Association and inform them that they will be expelled in May after the Council Meeting in Dubrovnik. In the letter it can be spelled out that we just had a Board Meeting in Moscow where Konstantin Efremovtsev participated.***

**d. Website**

There has been a suggestion to rework the frontpage on [www.efee.eu](http://www.efee.eu) website by Björn Göransson who checked that the website is working for the five most popular browsers. Also Jari Honkanen has a suggestion of a new website.

***Action: Jari Honkanen will create a specification what we want of the website and look into the task to get a proposal for a new website for the Dubrovnik meeting. Viive Tuuna, Doru Anghelache and Roger Holmberg will send addresses of providers to Jari Honkanen. Johan Gjodvad will upload the earlier conference videos.***

## **e. 2019 Membership Fees**

The Board decided the following regarding membership fees for year 2019;  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS – € 525.00  
CORPORATE MEMBERS – € 525.00  
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS – € 75.00  
STUDENT MEMBERS and RETIRED FORMER EFEE MEMBERS- € 25.00

## **6. EFEE World Conferences**

### **a. 10<sup>th</sup> EFEE Conference in Finland 2019**

The Conference venue 15-17 September 2019 will be held at the Scandic Marina Congress Centre with accommodation of participants in Hotel Scandic Grand Marina.

The website has been developed by TylerEvents and the video is uploaded on YouTube.

The site for the Gala dinner will be at held a small island just minutes from the mainland. The former name of the restaurant is Klippan.

The Tech Committee will consist of Secretary General, Jörg Rennert, one from ISEE (Jerry Wallace?), one from Finland and Johan Gjødvad.

*Action: Jari will come back with a name of the person from Finland. RH to confirm the representative of ISEE.*

*Action: The EFEE Conference committee will come with a proposal about what the country who will compete for upcoming conferences can expect from EFEE. Deadline Dubrovnik 2018. Particularly workshop, gala dinner and post tours shall be mentioned. SOP for the Conference committee shall be updated. Budget for the Finland and Romania conferences shall be presented at the Council Meeting in Dubrovnik. HB, IK and RH to print out the conference benefit summaries. Copyrights for the Proceedings shall be reviewed.*

### **b. 11<sup>th</sup> EFEE Conference in Romania 2021**

The plan is to have the conference in Wilbroo Platinum. Doru Anghelache and James Tyler visited Bucharest in January 2018 for discussions with the congress centre and the hotel.

*Action: Doru Anghelache will present the pre-work done for the conference in Dubrovnik.*

## **7. Newsletter Committee**

The February issue is underway. Jari Honkanen reviewed the content.

There will be three additional newsletters issued during 2018 - May (a Russian Newsletter will be published a few weeks after the English one), September and November.

*Action: JFG will try to find a tele marketing company for selling ads.*

*Action: An article will be written in the Newsletter about recent Board meeting in Moscow. JFG and JR will write the article.*

## **8. Finance and Audit Committee**

Nothing to report.

## 9. Election Committee

At the upcoming meetings in Dubrovnik the election will take place.

**Decision:** *It was proposed that the Board will bring up the idea that the people representing individual members at Council meetings will have same benefits as the Board members have when attending Board meetings outside the Council/AGM meetings.*

## 10. Membership and Marketing Committee

**Decision:** *A PP presentation of EFEE will be sent to the Board by JFG.*

## 11. Shotfiring Committee

Viive Tuuna reported from PECCS that the second will be held in France 23-27 April 2018 and 3<sup>rd</sup> one will be held in Dresden, Germany 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2018.

Viive Tuuna presented a spreadsheet of the PECCS costs related to the EFEE annular contribution of €5000.

no	date	travel	hotel	transp /rer/day	parking	work	others	tot	comments
1.	05.10.16	158,54	98,16	0	100	0	0	356,7	visit Boras, bookkeeping
2.	13.-14.02.17	200,88	134,05	110,04	200	20	0	664,97	Meet Anette, Tunnelling, Mobility Tools
3.	20.-21.04.17	238,82	131,35	85,5	200	20	0	675,67	report Mobility Tools
4.	14.-17.08.17	317,3	264,81	350,82	200	0	0	1132,93	meeting Nigel Taylor
5.	28.-30.08.17	0	110,09	0	0	0	112,17	222,26	meeting Anette Broman, Patrik Jansson in Estonia, Rakvere
6.	26.09.17	219,9	0	100	100	20	0	439,9	progress report Mobility Tools
7.	2017	0	0	0	0	1742,66	0	1742,66	work, 2017, with all taxes (1000 netto)
								5235,09	

**Action:** *Viive Tuuna will together with the partners in PECCS create a proposal for how the material can be used for EFEE certification after the project is finalised.*

Karl Kure has sent over a presentation of how to proceed after the PECCS project is done. This will be discussed at the Dubrovnik meetings.

**Action:** *President will communicate with Karl Kure about having him to shorten the text and send it out to the Board via Secretary General.*

## 12. EU Directives Committee

Nothing to report.

## 13. Constitution Committee

**Decision:** *RH to send out to all members the changes in the ByLaws Article 11 which was approved by the Council in September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017. It will be up for final decision at the AGM 2018.*

## 14. Environmental Committee

Jari Honkanen will present the output from the Committee at the EFEE 10<sup>th</sup> World Conference in Helsinki.

**Decision:** *JH to send out a table for accident/incident reports to Council.*

## 15. Any Other Business

The invoicing to EFEE for work like from PECCS and Secretary General was discussed and it was made clear that no VAT number for EFEE is available although EFEE are tax exempted. Therefore the VAT must be added on the various invoices from other countries.

The San Antonio conference was very good and the PECCS project was presented by Teele Tuuna. She received many questions. James Tyler and Jari Honkanen also presented the upcoming conference in Helsinki. DJ and RH also sat at the EFEE booth.

*Action: The Board decided that the lunch should be given at the Board Meetings.*

**16. Dates of next meetings**

- a. Spring 2018 in Dubrovnik, Croatia. 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.
- b. Autumn 2018 in Dresden, Germany. 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.
- c. 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Bucharest, Romania.

**17. Adjourn**

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
President / Igor Kopal /

Date \_\_\_\_\_