



**MINUTES  
of the  
75<sup>th</sup> EFEE Board Meeting,  
held over Microsoft Teams, Internet  
on  
12<sup>th</sup> March, 2021**

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:**

Doru Anghelache (DA), Romania, President  
Viive Tuuna, (VT), Estonia, Vice President  
Jörg Rennert (JR), Germany, Treasurer  
Jari Honkanen (JH), Finland, Immediate Past President  
Johan Finsteen Gjørdvad (JFG), Denmark,  
Mathias Jern (MJ), Sweden  
Igor Kopál (IK), Slovak Republic  
Espen Hugaas (EH), Norway  
Roger Holmberg (RH), EFEE Secretary General

## **IN ATTENDANCE:**

James Tyler, TylerEvents, UK  
Simon Price, EFEE Marketing Assistant

## **APOLOGIES:**

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

The President Doru Anghelache welcomed everyone to the Board Meeting.

### **2. Agenda**

The Agenda was approved.

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

The MoM from 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020 over internet was approved as a true record of the meeting.

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

None.

### **5. Administration**

#### **a. Management Accounts 1<sup>st</sup> Jan to 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2021**

The Management Accounts were visited.

Incomes € 25 756,76 and Expenditures € 4 515,11.

Net current Assets; € 395 809,47 consisting of;

ERSTE BANK € 98 022,80

Raiffeisen € 90 038,76

OBERBANK € 95 208,31

BKS Bank € 70 321,61

Austria Bank € 39 924,34

Austrian PayPal € 2 293,65

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

EFEE has received one new Corporate Member, i.e. Irish Industrial Explosives Ltd. (not yet paid) and approved three new individual membership applications since last Board Meeting.

Paid 2021 Memberships are;

- 19 out of 24 National Members.

- 28 out of 35 Corporate.
- 78 out of 119 Individual Members.
- 1 out of 2 Student/Retired Members.

180 Invoices was sent out 15 Dec 2020 with last day to pay 2021-01-31. Less than half paid- 14 National, 12 Corporate, 49 Individuals and 1 Retired paid before deadline. I.e. 77 out of 180 members!

A reminder was sent out 25<sup>th</sup> February and so far, an additional 5 National, 16 Corporate and 30 Individuals paid.

We are missing 5 National, 7 Corporate, 40 Individuals and 1 Student/Retired.

Last reminder will be sent out 2021-04-01 and they who do not pay will be removed as members 2021-04-14.

**c. Audit of 2020 Bookkeeping**

Donald Jonson and Walter Werner have approved the 2020 bookkeeping and this can be presented to the Council and AGM.

**d. Annual Report AGM**

*Action: Secretary General to send out the Annual report to Committee Chairmen and ask for a short resume of what happened 2020.*

**6. EFEE World Conferences**

**a. 11<sup>th</sup> EFEE Conference in Maastricht, Netherlands 2021**

James Tyler reported EFEE has received 20 abstracts so far.

14 exhibitors have so far announced they will attend. At the end of April EFEE should have received all interested.

James Tyler reported from the preparations of the Maastricht Conference and it was decided that the Board must decide Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April if the conference will be held in September or if it shall be postponed to May 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Most likely not all will have a chance to receive the vaccine before September 2021. Testing will be possible at the conference.

*Decision: Board meeting Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April to decide if the conference will be postponed. James Tyler will also send the budget for the conference later.*

The Board also had a long discussion of holding webinars and if the conference is postponed to 2022 there will be a webinar in September 2021.

*Decision: There will be a webinar if the conference is postponed and James will propose how we can sponsor the webinar and what the cost will be.*

**b. 12<sup>th</sup> EFEE Conference in Dublin, Ireland 2023**

Nothing to report.

**c. 13<sup>th</sup> EFEE Conference in Bucharest, Romania 2025**

Nothing to report

**7. Newsletter Committee**

Next Newsletter will be published in May 2021.

The Board liked that the Newsletters are posted in our website in a better and faster way than when the pdf was there.

8. **Finance and Audit Committee**

See 5 c above.

9. **Election Committee Board**

Nothing to report.

10. **Membership and Marketing Committee**

Jari Honkanen mentioned that Simon Price, our new Marketing Assistant, is working on the strategies and the website. So far he has spent about 6 months with the task.

Simon Price presented his ongoing work with Newsletter-advertising, Membership sales, improving membership payments and surveys, Webinar Programme, Website-improvements and backup system, installing pages for PECCS and improving the quality for new and existing EFEE members.

Jari also brought up the idea to create a short video that will show what EFEE is.

*Decision: Simon will look for what the quote would be to produce one about 2 minutes long.*

Jari Honkanen and Johan Gjødvad have earlier presented a proposal for discounts for EFEE and ISEE members and a final one pager proposal will be presented for the Council in May 2021.

*Action: Roger will check with SAFEX if their webinar is recorded so anyone can see it.*

11. **Shotfiring Committee**

Jörg Rennert mentioned that the PECCS contract is ongoing and Doru will send out a draft to the Board.

12. **EU Directives Committee**

Jörg Rennert will send information to Viive about The Beirut Port Explosion to get it published in our Newsletter. It will be good to show EFEE has been active in getting correct information.

13. **Constitution Committee**

Nothing to report.

14. **Environmental Committee**

Mathias Jern communicated about the three ongoing projects.

Johan and Thierry Bernard will visit Aitik in April for the vibration monitoring. New crack gouges will be borrowed from Thierry Bernard, he will also join Johan to Aitik when monitors are to be placed. Thierry will also bring some of his own vibration monitors for comparison.

Espen Hugaas reported from the monkey survey and said 47 comments were received. He will close the survey in a few weeks and summarize it and write a report where it is suggested what we do in the future.

Regarding the project “Environmental impact carbon footprint” not much has happened so far as Ricardo has been ill in covid19.

15. **Conference Committee**

Igor Kopal mentioned the main thing today is to have the decision about when the conference is to be held-in 2021 or 2022. He will discuss with the committee members to have their view end of March.

Igor also mentioned that the SOP will be completed mid-March

**16. Discussion with the Italian Tunnelling Association**

Marilena Cardu & Daniele Martinelli from SIS Società Italiana Calleria (Italian Tunnelling Association) was invited to a former meeting to discuss possible interest from their association to become the national member association for Italy in EFEE.

Jari and Viive will finalise the Power Point presentation about EFEE.

*Actions: Jari will send over his PP presentation to Daniele and Marilena so they can talk to the two associations and come back to EFEE with their information.*

**17. Any Other Business**

None

**18. Dates of next meetings**

May 18, 2021 over internet.

**19. Adjourn**

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
President / Doru Anghelache /

Date \_\_\_\_\_