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Minutes of 20th Annual General Assembly (AGA) of ILASS-Europe held on September 14th in Nottingham, United Kingdom

The Assembly starts at 17:00 in room C16 of the Pope Building in the University Park Campus of the University of Nottingham with the attendance of 27 members.

Item 1 Opening and Approval of Agenda.

Our Chairman, Antonio Cavaliere, opens the meeting and thanks all attendees for being present. The agenda is approved as tabled.

Item 2 Approval of the minutes of the last AGA in Sorrento 2003.

As the minutes of the last AGA have already been sent to all the members by e-mail no copies are distributed to the attendees, although a number of them are available in case they are requested. After a brief time to allow everybody to ask or comment about the contents, the minutes are accepted unanimously.

Item 3 Messages from the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary.

Prof. Cavaliere very briefly addresses the audience. The Vice-Chairman, Iskender Gökalp and the Secretary, Antonio Lozano do not make use of their turn.

Item 4 Treasurer's Report.

The treasurer, Raffaele Ragucci, reports that, after the past ICLASS Conference at Sorrento, the amount in the ILASS-Europe bank account totalled 17,000 € in round numbers. During 2004, 3000 € were paid to renew the ILASS Web pages. There are some amounts that will be paid before the end of the year, corresponding to such concepts as taxes, bank expenses, secretarial costs, etc, but roughly speaking, the current situation of ILASS-Europe can be estimated in 14,000 €. Prof. Ragucci indicates that a detailed list of all incomes and expenses is available to any member that should request it. Prof. Ragucci explains that some planned expenses for next year will include the organization of the Lefebvre award, and possibly the concession of some fellowships to attend the next ILASS Conferences.

The budget is approved.

Item 5 Report of Newsletter Editor.

Dr. Marengo explains that this year he has prepared two newsletter issues that have been distributed to over 1,500 people. He expects to edit one more issue before the end of the year.

Item 6 Report from the Web-Page Editor

John Shrimpton reports that, as presented in the last newsletter issue, there is now a common portal that links the three sections of ILASS. The format of the ILASS-Europe Web pages has also been improved.

Item 7 Report from the European Atomization and Sprays Editor

Our European editor, Joachim Domnick, states that all efforts will be made in collaboration with the ILASS-Europe 2005 Organizing Committee to include an annual subscription to Atomization and Sprays with the Conference registration. He explains that the delay time to have a paper published in Atomization and Sprays exceeds now one year. There is a general impression that this delay is excessive and it is suggested to study the possibility of including more papers in each journal issue, or to publish more issues per year.

Item 8 Election of officers and committee members

Antonio Cavaliere reports that the terms of the following Committee Members will end today:

G. Brenn

A. Cavaliere (Chairman)

C. Dumouchel

I. Gökalp (Vice-Chairman)

O. Haidn

A. Jasuja

R. Ragucci (Treasurer)

D. Weiss

M.L. Wählhammar

M. L. Wählhammar, who is not present, had expressed her will to be excluded from the Committee. The rest of the members had expressed their will to be re-elected. The Secretary, Antonio Lozano, puts forward the proposal to re-elect Antonio Cavaliere as Chairman and Iskender Gökalp as Vice-Chairman, taking into consideration that they have not been able to complete their program and the excellent work developed during the last two years. With no other proposals presented, Antonio Cavaliere and Iskender Gökalp are re-elected unanimously as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively. Antonio Cavaliere nominates Rafaele Ragucci to be re-elected as Treasurer, appreciating his management of the finances in the last ICLASS Conference. Prof. Ragucci is unanimously re-elected.

The audience votes also for the re-election of all the Committee Members who had not expressed his will to step down of their charges. To fill the vacancy of M. L. Wählhammar, Arvind Jasuja points out the importance of including Committee Members coming from the industry. Iskender Gökalp nominates Dr. Claude Berat from Turbomeca, and Arvind Jasuja proposes the candidacy of Leif Rackwitz from Rolls Royce. Dr. Claude Berat is elected by the audience as a Committee Member. To facilitate an increase in the number of representatives from the industry Arvind Jasuja offers to step down to create a vacancy for the other proposed candidate. The Assembly also approves the election of Leif Rackwitz.

Item 9 Message from ILASS-Europe 2004 Chairman

As Chairman of the ILASS-Europe 2004 Conference, Barry Azzopardi expresses his gratitude to the Committee and the Organizing team. He adds that 17 Countries are represented in the Conference, including scientists from U.S., Canada, Japan, Korea, Israel and Turkey. More than 100 papers have been accepted with a high scientific level. Prof. Azzopardi also explains that an award will be given to the Best Paper Presentation.

Item 10 Message from ILASS-Europe 2005 Chairman

The Chairman of the next 2005 ILASS-Europe Conference that will take place in Orleans, France, from September 5th to September 7th, will be Prof. Christian Chauveau.

Item 11 Celebration of Annual Meeting in 2006

During the last AGM in Sorrento it was decided that a poll was going to be conducted among the ILASS-Europe members to collect their opinion about the convenience of celebrating an Annual European meeting in 2006, as this is the year for the next ICLASS Conference in Kyoto, Japan. Antonio Lozano conducted the poll sending the question to nearly 350 Members. Of the 30 answers returned, 24 favoured not to have the European Conference in 2006, while 6 were in favour of having it. Among those who preferred not to celebrate the ILASS-Europe Meeting, some asked about the

possibility of giving some fellowships, especially to students, to attend the ICLASS Conference. There were also suggestions to request from the other ILASS Sections to consider also not having their local Conferences.

Item 12 Institution of the Arthur Lefebvre Award

Antonio Cavaliere explains that the Committee has suggested creating the Arthur Lefebvre Award Committee, which will include the ILASS-Europe Chairman, two European representatives (Arvind Jasuja and Joachim Domnick are proposed) and possibly an American and an Asian representative. This Committee will select the award recipient, in recognition to his/her whole career and contributions to the atomization and sprays field.

Item 13 Miscellaneous

No other points are brought to discussion.

Finally, the Chairman thanks the audience again for their attendance, which shows their commitment to our organisation and closes the meeting.

Zaragoza, October 2004

Dr. Antonio Lozano