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Minutes of the 23rd Annual General Assembly (AGA) of ILASS-Europe held on September 11th in Mugla, Turkey

The Assembly starts at 14:10 in Conference Hall D of the AKM Building at Mugla University, with the attendance of 26 members.

Item 1 Opening and Approval of the Agenda.

Our Chairman, Antonio Cavaliere, opens the meeting thanking all the attendees for their presence. The agenda is approved after accepting the suggestion to move forward the 7th item, "Election of Officers and Committee Members", and to include brief reports about the present ILASS-Europe 2007 Conference and the next ILASS-Europe 2008 edition in Como.

Item 2 Approval of the minutes of the last AGA in Kyoto.

The minutes of the last AGA had already been sent to all the members by e-mail. Nobody formulates any objection and the minutes are accepted unanimously.

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

Prof. Cavaliere, very briefly addresses the audience.

Item 4 Election of Officers and Committee Members

The Officers and Committee members whose terms expire this year are:

President Antonio Cavaliere, who has to be substituted anyway after being elected President of ILASS-International.

VicePresident Iskender Gökalp.

Committee Members: Claude Berat, Günter Brenn, Christophe Dumouchel, Oskar Haidn, Leif Rackwitz and Daniel Weiss.

The Secretary has been informed of the following candidacies, all supported by acting members: Christophe Dumouchel, Günter Brenn and Leif Rackwitz have expressed their will to be re-elected; Joachim Domnick, who is member of the Committee as Associate Editor of Atomization and Sprays has informed of his will to be a candidate if he leaves his position as Editor; besides, the following candidacies have also been presented: Philip Stopford, John Chinn and Arvind Jasuja.

Our President Antonio Cavaliere proposes the Candidacy of Iskender Gökalp as new ILASS-Europe President. The Assembly unanimously accepts the proposal. Iskender Gökalp proposes Oskar Haidn as VicePresident, and the Assembly votes favorably. Finally, the Assembly decides to elect Christophe Dumouchel, Günter Brenn, Joachim Domnick, Philip Stopford and Arvind Jasuja as Committee Members.

Item 5 Treasurer's Report.

The Chairman presents the following report by our treasurer, Raffaele Ragucci, relative to the period between the last AGM in Orleans (September 2005) and mid 2007:

"During this period the association has received the contribution from the ILASS Europe Meeting organizers in Orleans (€4,560) and a contribution from Mrs. Eileen Eisenklam aimed to support the

Paul Eisenklam Travel Fund (€740). In the past year there was no ILASS-Europe meeting and, hence, no other incomings were raised. On the other hand the Association supported the participation of 5 selected young researcher to the ICLASS in Kyoto for a total amount of €6,168. To this outcome has to be added the sum relative to the Arthur Lefebvre Award (€1,500). Considering that 2005 started with a budget of €18,440 and taking into account the fixed costs of the Association (about €2000 per year) the forecasted final balance of the association (at the end of 2007) is of about €12,000. To this amount will be added the contribution coming from the organizers of the ILASS Europe Meeting in Mugla that is still undetermined. The balance can be considered in line with the non-profit nature of our association that requires limiting the balance surpluses (at least in the average).

Concerning the future perspectives it has to be noted that in order to keep alive the association activities at the same level of expenses, without a sensible reduction of Association assets, in the next three years we should provide an approximate income of about €16.000 (see table 2). It is probable that the contributions from the membership fees collected at ILASS Europe meetings will not reach this amount. This calls for the individuation of additional financial sources. In particular we can consider the possibility of introducing some advertisements in the newsletters or in the webpage. Other possible resources could come from companies interested in atomization or public institutions (like the EU). I feel personally committed to explore this possibilities and I'm confident that I will receive a strong support from the Committee and ILASS associates".

The budget is approved by the Assembly.

Item 6 Report of Newsletter Editor.

Dr. Marengo explains that, as planned, a newsletter issue was mailed in December 2006, and another one was distributed in February 2007. He invites everybody to send contributions and again offers the possibility to use his distribution list to broadcast news if requested.

Item 7 Report from the Web-Pages Editor

Our Web-Pages Editor, John Shrimpton, is not present in the Meeting. In relation to this item, a question is raised about the convenience of including general news of interest for all the ILASS Sections in the common www.ilass.org Web pages. The Secretary reminds that the ILASS-International section of the Web pages already attends this suggestion.

Item 8 Situation of Atomization and Sprays. Election of the European Editor

The problematic situation of Atomization and Sprays, already discussed at the last ICLASS meeting has led to intense negotiations during this year between Will Bachalo in representation of the Editorial Board and Bill Begell, representing Begell House, Publisher of Atomization and Sprays. Both parts have agreed in implementing a series of actions to improve the journal. As a part of these actions (increase in the number of issues per year, implementation of an electronic submission procedure, extra issues dedicated to specific topics, inclusion of review papers and technical notes, etc.) it was also decided to appoint three Associated Editors, elected by each one of the ILASS Sections (Americas, Asia and Europe), in order to strengthen the relations between Atomization and Sprays and ILASS.

The ILASS-Europe Committee proposes to appoint Marco Marengo as European Editor. The Assembly supports unanimously the proposal, and Marco accepts the position.

Item 9 Report about the ILASS-Europe 2007 Conference

Prof. Oktik explains that over 60 papers have been scheduled for oral presentation. A more complete report about the Conference outcome is postponed for the Banquet.

Item 10 Report about the ILASS-Europe 2007 Conference

As already approved in Orleans in 2005, Marco Marengo, as Chairman of the Organizing Committee and also on behalf of Prof. Aldo Coghe Chair of the Steering Committee, briefly informs the Assembly about the next ILASS-Europe 2008 Conference in Como, Italy. In a short presentation, he shows some slides of the location, and gives some details of the organization. He also indicates that the Conference Web pages are already available at www.ilasseurope2008.org.

Item 11 Information about the International Task Force

At request of Norman Chigier, information about the International Task Force that he is supporting was going to be presented to the Assembly. However, at the end of the evening sessions on Monday 10th, everybody was called to attend a topical meeting on this subject, so it would be redundant to present it again.

Item 12 Information of the new edition of the Arthur Lefebvre Award

Antonio Cavaliere briefly informs of the new edition of the Arthur Lefebvre Award. The Award Committee will be formed by Graham Wigley and Oskar Haydn as European representatives. The American representatives will be Norman Chigier and Greg Smallwood. The Asian Section has still to decide about who the appointed Members will be. Each one of the ILASS Sections should present two Award candidates before the end of year 2007.

Item 13 Miscellaneous

No new topics or questions are formulated.

Finally, the Chairman thanks the audience again for their attendance and closes the meeting at 14:50.

Zaragoza, October 2007

Dr. Antonio Lozano