



# ILASS-EUROPE

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## **Minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual General Assembly (AGA) of ILASS-Europe held on September 9<sup>th</sup> in Como, Italy**

The Assembly starts at 15:50 in the Spazio Como Room at the Grand Hotel di Como, with the attendance of 38 members.

### **Item 1** Opening and Approval of the Agenda.

Our Chairman, Iskender Gökalp, opens the meeting thanking all the attendees for their presence. The contents of the agenda are approved, accepting some alterations in the order in which the items are going to be treated.

### **Item 2** Approval of the minutes of the last AGA in Mugla.

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.

To avoid exceeding the estimated Assembly duration, this item is skipped.

### **Item 4** Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer, Raffaele Ragucci, summarizes the situation of the Association economy. Last year there was an income of 2300 € corresponding to the fees of the members who attended the 2007 Conference in Mugla. The fixed costs of the Association totalled 1900 €. The income from the present Conference is expected to be 7200 €. This will add to an approximate total of 18000 €. In the next accounting year, about 1300 € will have to be paid to cover the travel expenses of the European Editor of Atomization and Sprays, Marco Marengo to the Editorial Board Meeting in Orlando. 1500 € will be spent for the Lefebvre award and about 6000 € for the Eisenklam Travelling funds.

As the Treasurer stated in the 2007 report, in order to keep alive the association activities at the same level of expenses, without a sensible reduction of Association assets, we should provide an approximate income of about €16000 for each three year period.

The budget is approved by the Assembly.

### **Item 5** Report about the ILASS-Europe 2008 Conference

Prof. Marco Marengo, as Chairman of the Organizing Committee and also on behalf of Prof. Aldo Coghe Chair of the Steering Committee, briefly informs about the outcome of the ILASS-Europe 2008 Conference. There are 185 registered participants plus 12 members of the organizing committees. 122 papers for oral presentation and 21 posters have been accepted. 15 accompanying persons have also registered. These figures are indicative of the great success of this Conference.

### **Item 6** Election of Officers and Committee Members

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

Secretary Antonio Lozano.

Committee Members: Udo Fritsching, Eva Gutheil, António Luís Moreira and Graham Pitcher.

All of them have expressed their will to be re-elected, and their candidacy is supported by the Committee. The Assembly unanimously accepts the proposal.

**Items 7 and 8** Report on the election the Newsletter Editor and report from the Web-Pages Editor.

The position of Newsletter Editor was vacant since Dr. Marengo stepped down when he was appointed European Editor of Atomization and Sprays. At the Committee request, John Shrimpton accepts to act as Newsletter editor and Web pages editor simultaneously.

**Item 9** Information about the election of the venue for the ILASS-Europe 2010 Conference and the candidate to organize the ICLASS 2012 Conference

The Assembly is informed of the venues for the next ICLASS and ILASS Conferences. The candidate to organize the ICLASS 2012 Conference that will be supported by the ILASS-Europe Committee is Heidelberg. Prof. Eva Gutheil will coordinate the report that will be presented to the ILASS International Committee next year in Veil.

ILASS-Europe 2010 Conference will take place in Brno. Profs. M. Jicha and J. Jedelski invite everybody to attend. ILASS-Europe 2011 will be organized by Prof. A. Moreira in Lisbon or Estoril. Finally, ILASS-Europe 2013 will take place in Brighton.

**Item 10** Situation of Atomization and Sprays.

Marco Marengo, European Editor of Atomization and Sprays briefly summarizes the situation of the journal. After intense negotiations during the past year between Will Bachalo in representation of the Editorial Board and Bill Begell, representing Begell House, Publisher of Atomization and Sprays a series of actions are being implemented to improve the journal. It was 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 Editorial Board has also been renewed, with representation of all the Sections. The journal will change its format to increase its space, enabling the publication of a higher number of papers per issue, and the number of issues per year will be increased to 12. With these measurements, the accumulated backlog problem is expected to be solved by 2010. To expedite the submission and review process, an electronic procedure is being implemented. In order to increase the impact factor, extra issues dedicated to specific topics, review papers and technical notes will also be accepted for publication. Finally, it has been proposed to select the 5 best papers from the ILASS Conferences for fast publication.

**Item 11** Information of the new edition of the Arthur Lefebvre Award

Oskar Haidn, European representative together with Graham Wigley, and Chairman of the Arthur Lefebvre Award Committee, informs of its current situation. 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 and the Committee will take the final decision. The regulations of the Award are posted in the ILASS Europe Web pages.

**Item 12** Report on the election of the ILASS Europe representatives for the Tansawa awards committee and the ILASS International meeting

The ILASS Europe Committee has elected Profs. Eva Gutheil, Raffaele Ragucci and Udo Fritsching as European representatives for the Tanasawa Award Committee. The Committee representatives for the ILASS International meeting will be elected from the ILASS Europe Officers present at the ICLASS 2009 Conference.

**Item 13** Situation of the Eisenklam travel funds

Prof. W. Balachandran informs about the Eisenklam travel funds to support students attending the next ICLASS 2009 Conference. Applications have to be submitted following the 2006 indications posted in the ILASS Europe Web pages.

**Item 14** Miscellaneous

John Shrimpton announces that he has moved from Imperial College to the University of Southampton.

Finally, the Chairman thanks the audience again for their attendance and closes the meeting at 16:30.

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Dr. Antonio Lozano