

** Minutes to be approved during the 2020 Annual General Meeting for Members in Amsterdam**

Minutes Annual General Meeting for Members

5 June 2019, ExCel/London

Attendance

EAGE Board:

Jean-Jacques Biteau (Chair)
Michael Poppelreiter
Everhard Muijzert
Aart-Jan van Wijngaarden
Caroline Jane Lowrey
Caroline Le Turdu
Colin MacBeth
George Apostolopoulos
Ingrid Magnus

EAGE Office staff

Tahany Khater
Alexandra La Rocca
Ilaria Meggetto
Yury Petrachenko
Gerard Wieggerink
Raymond Cahill
Kees van Oort

Board of Directors:

Marcel van Loon
Remco Bax
Peter Verweij
Elsbeth Koutsoglou

Incoming EAGE Board members:

Dirk Orlowsky
Michael Peter Suess

About +150 EAGE members

Opening and confirmation of the agenda by Jean-Jacques Biteau

Jean-Jacques Biteau opened the meeting at 12:10 hrs CEST.

Presidents report and strategy presentation

Jean-Jacques starts by sharing the outcome of the ballot:

- Dirk Orlowsky/Vice-President Elect
- Lucy Slater/Vice Chair OGGD
- Everhard Muijzert/Secretary Treasurer (3rd term)
- Ingrid Magnus/Publication Officer (2nd term)

Peter Lloyd has resigned from his position as Vice-President Elect for personal reasons. Jean-Jacques thanks him for his service to the Association.

The departure of Peter Lloyd leaves a gap in between the presidency of Michael Poppelreiter (2019-2020) and Dirk Orlowsky (2021-2022). As per the EAGE Constitution XI.8: *“In the event of a mid-term vacancy, other than the President’s, the Board with the approval of the members may appoint a successor to serve on the Board for the remainder of the current term”*.

A slide with considerations of the Board is being shown:

- EAGE requires experienced leadership
- EAGE will soon embark on its next 5 year strategy, requiring a candidate who could offer continuity and build on what has been set in place over the course Vision 2020

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- The Board needed to select a suitable candidate who could fulfil the duties of President at short notice and with minimal disruption to the operating of the Board.

The Board unanimously proposes Everhard Muijzert to serve as EAGE President 2020-2021. Caroline Lowrey speaks on behalf of the Board and says Everhard's history and present experience has made him the ideal candidate.

Voting is requested: all in favor.

Slides with latest development is being shown for: (full overview is on calendar of events)

- Middle East & Africa (joint events with AAPG)
- Asia Pacific
- Latin America
- Europe
- Russia

Membership recognition programme has been introduced thanks to Caroline le Turdu. Each level has personal benefits/discounts. Color of the card represents the membership level and is intended to increase and reward membership retention.

Associated societies are growing:

Q4/2018	88
Q2/2019	91

Update on Local Chapters established since June 2018:

- LC Nigeria
- LC Paris
- LC Netherlands (inauguration 20 June 2019)

In progress:

- East Africa
- Colombia
- Perth
- Tomsk-Krasnoyarsk

Global spread of EAGE members is shown; 47% in Europe, followed by APAC 15%, North America 12%, Russia 11%.

Special interest communities have been established:

- Young Professionals
- Women in Geoscience & Engineering
- Decarbonization & Energy Transition
- Artificial Intelligence

The first joint project of the Special Interest Communities is the EAGE Mentoring Programme 2019 which is coordinated by YP and WGE Committee.

EAGE Strategy

- Globalization
- Membership
- One stop for knowledge and community in geosciences

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EAGE Funds (promoting Geoscience and Engineering development by supporting various activities through the funds);

- Education Fund
- International Cooperation Fund
- Support Fund

Financial Overview

Operational results were according to budget:

- Neutral operational result for EAGE Holding
- Results negatively impacted by investment results, exchange rates & taxes

Funds

In 2016 the Board decided to spend 5 million in 5 years

In 2017 and 2018, 1.711k was spent (937 in 2018)

For 2019-2021, 3.289k is available

Investment portfolios shows a dip in share prices end of 2018.

Profit & Loss account 2018 shows a negative result of -621.000,- before fund spending. This is a considerable improvement compared to 2017 (-1.532).

Balance sheet as of December 31st shows a decrease, total 11.464 compared to 13.059 for 2017. There are enough reserves going forward and the board plans to have the association cash neutral by 2021.

A question is being asked by John Underhill (past President) regarding the high negative result (-1532) in 2017. Remco Bax (Finance Director) elaborates and gives the main reasons :

1. Paris event impacted the results severely
2. Attendancy level was low on a lot of events
3. Cancelled events throughout the fiscal year

Everhard requests for the approval of the annual accounts and discharge of the board for the management of the association in 2018: all approve.

Jean-Jacques finally asks for the approval of the minutes of 2017 and 2018 : 1 abstention, all others approve.

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Meet the committees

Table #1 : Education & Education Committee (EC)

The AGMM meeting was quiet as far as the Education/Students table is concerned.

Filippo Brogginini represented the EC, but there were no questions for him.

Paul Veeken. In the future, he would like to prepare an e-course. Possible topics are seismic processing, non-seismic, seismic interpretation. He might work together with a Russian colleague then. We will get in touch again when a) he has more time and b) the e-courses are being updated
Claudia Steiner. We talked about Robbie Gries' motivational speech earlier that day. Claudia will discuss a future possible SLT with Aleksandra (Sasha) Volkova from Russia Student Chapter. Perhaps also other education or student activities?

Table #2 : Membership & Committee on membership and Cooperation (CMC)

PACE Committee (PACE)

EAGE Special Interest Communities with technical focus

Caroline Le Turdu, PACE committee chair Christian Henke

Table #3 : Diversity of disciplines & TPC

Present were Malcolm Francis, Aart-Jan van Wijngaarden and Garry Kolafa

There was some discussion on how to make clear to the bigger audience that the Oil Industry is not the biggest problem we have when it comes to CO2. We simply have a lot of people on earth was the argument of one person at the table. Somebody suggested that EAGE should consider organizing events to explain/ create understanding for the Oil and gas branch to a broader audience.

Should the events be more or less technical?

More decarbonization? Explain how pollution is created?

For instance ozon layer hole is partially created by the 6000 nuclear tests done in the Pacific.

Educate the general public

Objectives of national oil companies is very different from commercial oil companies.

Table #4 : Near Surface Geoscience Division (NSGD) & Oil & Gas Geoscience Division (OGGD)

Chaired by: Caroline Lowrey (Chairperson OGGD) & George Apostolopoulos (Chairperson NSGD)

The aim of the table discussion was to see how the divisions can work together on shared EAGE activities.

The discussion primarily focused on the role of the Near Surface Geoscience Division at the Annual conference in May / June.

How would a near surface component best fit within this conference? Dedicated session on environmental and engineering geophysics (as is the case in EAGE Annual 2019), workshops or in a different format?

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A second topic discussed was the cross disciplinary nature of some of EAGE scientific topics, such as EAGE's geothermal activities. The conversation would be continued during the OGGD / NSGD cooperation meeting on Thursday.

Table #5 : Awards Committee (AC)

Chair Anton Ziolkowski, Vice-Chair Gladys Gonzalez, Ilaria Meggetto

Other people at the table: Koya Suto, Josafat Filho, Atila Saraiva Quintera, George Apostolopoulos, Alireza Alireza Malehmir, Ana Clara Borja Paim, John Arthur, Craig Beasley

Discussion items:

- Explanation of Awards categories, nomination and voting procedure
- The representation of Near Surface experts in the Awards recipients should be encouraged more, in collaboration with the Near Surface Geoscience Division. One of the proposals to do so is to present a new Award exclusively dedicated to Near Surface disciplines
- The number and diversity of nominations should be increased by spreading the word on the importance of nominating candidates to recognize excellence in all categories. In the next Awards cycle the Awards nominations campaign will be promoted at all EAGE events, including the 2019 Near Surface Geoscience Conference

Closure

The meeting was closed at 13:30 CEST.