



# *ACADEMIA NDT INTERNATIONAL*

**Science, Technology and Diagnostics in Non-Destructive Testing**

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## **Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly of Academia NDT International Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Brescia, Italy**

### **Present:**

G Nardoni – President  
V Krstelj – Vice President  
R Link – Vice President  
M Bertović  
S Dos Santos – Council Member  
U Ewert – Co-opted Council Member  
M Kazakevich  
S Kenderian – Vice President  
D Gilbert – Council Member  
Z Preverovsky  
A Savin  
P Trampus – Council Member  
S Zanoletti

### **1. Welcome**

G Nardoni welcomed all and said that one of the objectives of ANDTI was to 'try to transfer your knowledge to someone else – don't keep it to yourself'. The ANDTI should be independent, objective and global. Overall ANDTI is in a good way.

R Link thanked G Nardoni and congratulated him on ten years of Academia NDT International. The new Vice President, S Kenderian was welcomed to the meeting together with Marija Bertović and Adriana Savin.

### **2. Challenges**

- Attendance of members.
- No continuous connection with members.
- Poor communications (late).
- What can we offer members?

S Kenderian commented that we need to have the right people as members.

### **3. Report of Council Meeting**

Congratulations were offered to the new members of Council – S Kenderian (Vice President) M Kazakevich (Co-opted Member) and U Ewert (Full Member).

The previous Council meeting had been held in Pula on 25 June 2017 and at the Council meeting yesterday (13 October) the legalization documents were signed.

The situation regarding language was explained and the documents were signed by V Krstelj and G Nardoni.

This opens the possibility of Academia establishing a permanent secretariat with improved communication to members. This would be an important step forward.

#### **4. ECNDT**

Big event for ANDTI next year. Several strategic actions for members and members participation.

#### **5. Financial Report**

Due to legalization we are obliged to fulfil certain obligations:

##### Budget

R Link went through the budget which was set at €49000. We can only spend money that we have. Income was €30000 from The Nardoni Institute Associate membership income €2000, total income €32000 plus cash in bank €3500 which gave a total income of €35500, thus leaving €13500 to be recovered. If this amount cannot be recovered then we must reduce our activities.

The responsibility for the budget is with Council although the Treasurer takes care of finances – procedures, reporting etc.

S Kenderian asked if there was a plan in place for expected income (€13500).

After some discussion there was general agreement for the following plan:

R Link (elected unanimously as Treasurer) appealed to members of Council to generate income. We could invite Associate Members (€1000/year) but need to outline benefits, i.e. why should I become an Associate Member? We could offer sponsorships of €2000 for two years in return for promotional expenditure. S Kenderian advised that the ASNT sponsors QNDE for €3500.

Z Preverovsky suggested that a donation could be sought from ECNDT etc. if we plan to participate in regional conferences. We could also seek a donation from the ICNDT.

R Link proposed approval of the budget to the GA and this was unanimously approved.

It was noted that we should take account of S Kenderian's points regarding budgets and can only apply for 2019.

#### **6. Presentations from Members**

- Presentation by Marija Bertović: "NDE reliability and the influence of human factor".
- Presentation by Shant Kenderian on current research activities
- Presentation by Adriana Savin on current research activities
- Presentation by Uwe Ewert on current research activities
- Presentation by David Gilbert: "NDT Engineer Apprenticeship"

#### **7. Place and Time of Next Council Meeting and General Assembly**

Next Council meeting – Brescia – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018, commencing at 15h00 and continuing on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

Next General Assembly – Wednesday 13 June 2018, Gothenburg (European Research Day).

S Kenderian asked for earlier notification of meetings.

U Ewert proposed to have General Assembly meetings at conferences and pointed out that they do not necessarily have to be held in Brescia, although this has traditionally been the case.

## **8. Closing**

Dr Nardoni, Academia President, thanked everyone who participated in this meeting and promised to continue the fine tradition of arranging workshops in conjunction with other international NDT events: the European Research Day during ECNDT2018 in Gothenburg (Sweden) and WCNDT 2020 in Seoul (South Korea).