



# ASSOCIATION OF EUROPEAN GEOLOGICAL SOCIETIES

## MINUTES

### OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF AEGS

**HELD IN TORINO (ITALY)**

**Tuesday, 21 September 2005 at 17:10**

#### **1. WELCOME**

On behalf of AEGS the Secretary welcomed those attending to the General Assembly of AEGS. The Secretary reported that during this Plenary Session, the General Assembly (GA) will be informed about important features and changes since MAEGS-13 was held in Hannover (Germany, 2003).

#### **2. RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP OF AEGS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EC)**

- **Outgoing members**

**Dr. M. NOVAK** (Czech Geological Society)

- **Entering new members**

**Dr. M. IVANOV** (Czech Geological Society)

#### **3. CHANGES IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF AEGS**

No changes were reported.

#### **4. FINANCIAL REPORT 2004**

The Secretary reported that the accounts had been scrutinised by the two AEGS scrutineers. He summarised the financial accounts for the GA and showed a balance sheet with an auditor's report.

#### **5. SOME FIGURES OF MAEGS-14**

The Secretary reported that 180 participants had turned up from 25 countries. A book of abstracts (126 pages) and a full coloured field trip guide were prepared to an extremely high standard. Manuscripts will be collected and following a review process to be published in a special issue of *Quaternary International* or *Environmental Geology*.

#### **6. FORTHCOMING MEETINGS OF AEGS**

- **MAEGS-15 (Estonia, 2007)**

The Secretary announced that MAEGS-15 will be held in Tallinn (Estonia) under the title the *Georesources and public policy: research, management, environment*. It is planned to hold a 6-days meeting: 1-day field trip, 3 days congress and 2-days field trip at the end. The meeting

will be held in September 2007. After checking with competing congresses, an exact date will be communicated in the next months.

#### **- MAEGS-16 (2009)**

The Secretary reported that there are two applications to host MAEGS-16, one from the Romanian Geological Society and one from the Greek Geological Society. The decision will be made during the next EC meeting in 2006 in Estonia.

#### **7. BIENNIAL AEGS MEDAL**

The Secretary was very pleased to announce the invention of an AEGS award. The award (a 3'' bronze medal engraved with the name of the laureate) will be given biennial to a geoscientist for outstanding achievements in the field of international relations in Earth Science. The award will be named for Prof. Percival Allen FRS, one of the AEGS's founders and will be firstly given during MAEGS-15 (Estonia, 2007).

#### **8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Secretary reported that AEGS has a new IUGS liaison officer Prof. Eldridge Moores (IUGS vice-president). The Association also signed for the establishment of a European Research Council. This was published in the journal Science.

#### **9. DATES OF NEXT EC MEETING AND NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The secretary announced that the next EC Meeting will be held on 7 July 2006 in Tallinn (Estonia). The next GA will be held during MAEGS-15, which is planed for September 2007.

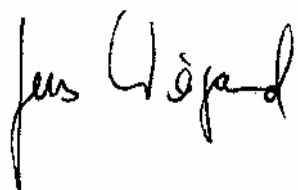
#### **10. APPROVAL OF THE REPORT**

The Secretary asked the GA if there are any questions, objections or comments to items discussed in this Plenary Session. Because this was not the case, the General Assembly unanimously **approved** the report of the Secretary, and the decisions made during this session!

#### **CLOSING CEREMONY**

Behalf of AEGS the Secretary thanked those who were attending the meeting, and wished the participants an ongoing successful Meeting.

**ENDS: 17:30**



**Dr. Jens Wiegand**  
(AEGS Secretary)