



Minutes

2012 Annual Meeting

43rd Meeting of EuCheMS-DAC

Sunday August 26th, 2012

Time: 9.00 am. - 1.00 pm.

Venue: Lecture room CH4, Chemistry Building, Faculty of Science, Charles University in Prague, Hlavova 7, Prague 2, Czech Republic (DAC AM Prague 2012_Map.jpg)

AGENDA

1. Opening

- 1.1 Welcome. Paul Worsfold welcomed Delegates, Guests and Observers and he expressed his gratitude to the Czech Chemical Society for their hospitality and to Jiri Barek for organising the meeting in conjunction with ECC4.
- 1.2 Finalisation of the Agenda. Agenda approved by attendees.
- 1.3 Changes in membership, attendance, apologies: Apologies received from Jose Pingarron, Güler Somer, Hendrik Emons, Roma Tauler, Luigia Sabbatini, Trajce Stafilov, Duncan Burns, Manfred Grasserbauer, Miguel Valcarcel, Daniel Mandler, Maria F. Camoes, Marcela Alves Segundo and Constantina P. Kapnissi-Christodoulou. It would be helpful for planning of future meetings and exchanging information for DAC to know the names of all Delegates appointed by affiliated National Societies. [Action: Paul Worsfold contacts EuCheMS/National Societies to identify nominated members and encourage them to attend the AM or send an alternate]. New Delegates who attended the meeting were Elin Gjengedal (Norway), Anders Colmsjö (Sweden), José L.P. Pavón (Spain). New Delegate not attending the meeting was Marcela Alves Segundo (Portugal).

- 1.4 Approval of the Minutes of 42st DAC Meeting, Sunday September 11, 2011, Belgrade, Serbia. Paul Worsfold checked that all actions of the Minutes had been addressed and taken care of. The Minutes were approved.

2. **Report of the Chairman**

- 2.1 Chair introduced report to EuCheMS of activities for 2011-2012 and a new Strategy document highlighting the main topics and future directions for DAC. The Strategy document was unanimously accepted. A Chair for 2014-2016 must be decided at the 2013 AM. Paul Worsfold received confirmation from the RSC that they would provide continued support if he was re-elected and he agreed to consider serving a second term but encouraged nominations from the membership.

3. **Elections and Appointments**

- 3.1 Steering Committee membership. Paul Worsfold thanked Jens Andersen for his effort as Secretary and he thanked Wolfgang Buchberger for agreeing to take over in January 2013. Since Jens also steps down from the StC Paul Worsfold suggested Christian Rolando (Co-Chair for Euroanalysis 2015) for the vacant position. The AM delegates endorsed the proposal.
- 3.2 Endorsement of the RKL 2013 Jury membership of Reiner Salzer (Chairman), Wolfgang Lindner, Miguel Valcarcel, Elo Hansen and Alan Townshend. Jury endorsed unanimously by AM. Call for RKL nominations; Deadline is October 31 2012.
- 3.3 DAC Tributes. On behalf of the Danish Society of Analytical Chemistry, Jens Andersen suggested a nominee for 2013; this was agreed by the AM. It was unanimously decided by the AM to award the 2012 Tribute of DAC to Yuri Zolotov. Paul Worsfold presented a certificate to Yuri Zolotov. The DAC Tribute will be announced in the EuCheMS Newsletter [Action: Jens Andersen submits article with DAC Tribute to EuCheMS Newsletter].

4. EUROANALYSIS Conferences

- 4.1 Paul Worsfold expressed his gratitude to members of the Jury of the Robert Kellner Lecture 2011 for their work and he thanked the nominators for their nominations; the procedure for the Robert Kellner Lecture 2013 and a call for nominees were discussed; he suggested inviting previous awardees to join the jury for the next RKL.
- 4.2 EUROANALYSIS XVI: Prof. Dr. Slavica Ražić, Belgrade, Serbia, 11-15 September 2011. Slavica Ražić presented her report which was approved with minor comments. [Action: Jens circulates report to Delegates].
- 4.3 EUROANALYSIS XVII: Prof. Maciej Jarosz, Warsaw, Poland, 25-29 August 2013. Maciej Jarosz congratulated Slavica on a successful conference in Belgrade. RKL is in place and sponsored by Springer. Springer also sponsors the best poster prizes. The website is now open and the scientific programme is ready. Seven plenary lecturers including History (Adam Hulanicki) have accepted. Information about Euroanalysis XVII was printed in 90 journals. Euroanalysis XVII clashes with Asiaanalysis XII but this is regarded as a minor problem. IUPAC sponsorship accepted, EuCheMS sponsorship accepted, scientific and advisory board accepted, funding from IUPAC grants disapproved and sponsor packages are ready. It is now important that Euroanalysis XVII is promoted in National Societies by Delegates. [Action: Delegates add information to e-mail together with logo. [Action: Jens Andersen circulates logo and Minutes to Delegates].
- 4.4 EUROANALYSIS XVIII: Report on progress by Prof. Philippe Garrigues and Dr. Christian Rolando, Bordeaux, France, 2015. Philippe: [Action Jens: Circulate bid book and put on website]. Schedule for Euroanalysis XVIII is ready with 17 topics. Christian Rolando and Philippe Garrigues are Co-Chairs of Euroanalysis XVIII and the International Scientific Committee is ready and includes several DAC EuCheMS Delegates. Euroanalysis XVIII will be held in the Bordeaux Congress Center and a social events is organized at Chateau Giscourt. The budget is 405,750 euro based on 900 participants. Transfer fee should be added to budget.
- 4.5 EUROANALYSIS XIX: Call for bid books 2017. Informal discussions about venue for Euroanalysis XIV: RSC rejected a proposal for the UK, Daniel Mandler

decided not to follow up a tentative proposal for Israel, Bo Karlberg had earlier tentatively suggested Sweden [Action: Anders raises the issue in Stockholm]. Denmark might be interested, e.g. in joint venture with Sweden. Czech Republic might also be an option but final decision should be made at AM in Warsaw on Sunday 25, 2013.

Coffee break. Courtesy of Czech Chemical Society.

5. Reports and Information

- 5.1 News from EuCheMS. Presentation by Prof Walter Giger (Division of Chemistry and the Environment (DCE)) followed by discussion regarding collaboration on the scientific programme for EuCheMS ECC5, 31 August - 4 September 2014 in Istanbul, Turkey. The Chair suggested that better links should be established with other EuCheMS Divisions. Walter Giger, Switzerland informed at the meeting that the Division of Environmental Chemistry has about 15 active Delegates. ECCE 2011 in Zurich coincided with Euroanalysis XVI in Belgrade and Walter Giger suggested that ECCE 2013 should be held in June. Walter Giger participates in Springer Environmental Science poll. He circulated a EuCheMS proposal for ECC5 themes in Istanbul and so did Manfred Grasserbauer [Action:Jens circulates proposals together with minutes]. AC should suggest other topics that fit into these themes. Paul Worsfold would like more DAC involvement in planning of sessions/sub-sessions at ECC5.
- 5.2 Task Force/Study Group Annual Report Form. A new Report Template was circulated. Reports of all Study Groups and the Task Force were received before the AM and implementation of a Report Template was positively received and followed. Reports will therefore be circulated before the AM in future.
- 5.3 Study Group 'Education in Analytical Chemistry'; Head: Prof. Reiner Salzer. Disappointingly it was found that it was not possible to organise sessions on Education at ECC congresses. Evaluation of curricula in analytical chemistry at the current stage of the Bologna process is in progress (see report at DAC website).
- 5.4 Study Group 'Quality Assurance and Accreditation'; Head: Dr. Jens Andersen as reporting DAC representative, and Hendrik Emons as liaison person to CITAC.

Heiner Korte explained about the possible changes to the SI system, e.g. new definition of kg and mol (report available at DAC website).

5.5 Study Group 'History'; Head: Prof. D.T. Burns. (report available at DAC website)

5.6 Study Group 'Bioanalytics'; Head: Prof. G. Horvai: It was proposed by Justina van Staden and Walter Gauglitz that AC could join life sciences or environment themes for ECC5 in Istanbul. Jan Labuda suggested that Delegates should encourage Members of National Societies to participate in ECC5 [Action: Delegates encourage members of national societies] (report available at DAC website).

5.7 Study Group 'European AC on the web'; Head: Prof. B. Karlberg. It was decided to close the Study Group because it requires too much effort to maintain the database and the corresponding information is readily available by using web search engines.

5.8 Task Force 'Chemometrics'; Head: Roma Tauler. Eric Jover reported that Roma Tauler organised session at ECC4. Delegates approved to promote the Task Force to a Study Group (report available at DAC website).

5.9 Suggestions for new Task Force topics

5.9.1 Consider proposal by Prof Milt Karayannis to establish a Task Force in the field of "Archaeometry and Cultural Heritage in Analytical Chemistry". It was decided in 2011 to defer proposal but Milt Karayannis continued to refine the proposal: AC is strongly involved in archeology and the corresponding activity is denoted as Archeometry. Paul Worsfold, Wolfgang Buchberger and Reiner Salzer suggested approaching members of IUPAC working party on Chemistry for Cultural Heritage. Task Force established and will report at the 2013 AM. Richard Ernst could be invited to participate or contribute.

6. **Events organized in cooperation with DAC-EuCheMS**

6.1 13th Conference on Instrumental Analysis, 14-16 November 2011 Barcelona, Spain

6.2 Isranalytica 2012, 24–25 January 2012, Tel-Aviv, Israel

6.3 12th Eurasia Conference on Chemical Sciences, 16-20 April, 2012, Corfu, Greece

- 6.4 European Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Education Network (EC2E2N, www.ec2e2n.net)
- 6.5 Analysdagarna, 11-13 June 2012, Uppsala, Swede
- 6.6 1st International Congress on Analytical Chemistry, September 18 – 21 2012
Targoviste Romania

7. **Any other business**

- 7.1 Date and venue of the 2013 DAC Annual Meeting: 09.00 on Sunday, August 25th in Warsaw. Venue to be decided.

Slavica Razic agreed to become web manager of the DAC website with the primary objective of transferring the site from a server in Copenhagen to the EuCheMS server.

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