

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the
DIVISION on NUCLEAR and RADIOCHEMISTRY
held on Tuesday 15th March 2018 at 12:10 at the King Edward's Library
RadChem'2018, Casino Conference Centre, Mariánské Lázně, Czech Republic**

Those present: Jon Petter Omtvedt (Chair, Norway), Jan John (Secretary and Treasurer, Czech Republic), Antonia Denkova (proxy Bert Wolterbeek, The Netherlands), Christoph Düllman (Germany), Christian Ekberg (Sweden), Flavia Groppi (Italy), Xiaolin Hou (Denmark), Jukka Lehto (Finland), Philippe Moisy (France), Noémi Nagy (Hungary), Ioannis Paschalidis (Cyprus), Pavol Rajec (Slovakia).

Guest: Clemens Walther (NRC Network, Chair, Germany).

Apologies were received from: Panagiotis Misaelides (Greece), Jerzy Narbutt (Poland), Stepan Kalmykov (Russia), Andreas Türler (Switzerland), Nick Evans (UK).

Those not present: Divna Djokić (Serbia), C. Gascó Leonarte (Spain), Rositzka Mihailova Kamenova-Totzeva (Bulgaria), Isabel Santos (Portugal), Israel Zilbermann (Israel), Turan Unak (Turkey).

1. Welcome, Approval of agenda

J.P. Omtvedt welcomed the participants and presented apologies from those who had reported unable to attend.

The Annual Meeting agreed to the Agenda as circulated.

2. Society representation – changes and updates

Isabel Santos – probably retired about a year ago. Try to confirm and seek replacement.

Continue attempts to replace the “silent” members (Serbia, Israel, Turkey).

All three new countries and representatives proposed at the last meeting – Belgium (Thomas Cardinaels, SCK.CEN), Slovenia (Marko Štok, IJS) and Estonia (Alan Tkaczyk, U. Tartu) – were approved.

3. Protocol of last meeting (29th August 2017, INCC, Gothenburg)

Minutes of the last meeting (29th August 2016, NRC9, Helsinki) were distributed by J. John on distributed by e-mail 16 March 2018, by e-mail. The overview of the tasks is listed in the meeting presentation attached. All unsorted tasks were moved to the agenda of this meeting and are addressed below.

The proposal to award A. Ware the DNRC Honorary Membership was approved. It has been proposed to be hand over the award at ERA 2018 by Nick Evans. J.P. Omtvedt and J. John will consider the possibility to join.

4. News from EuChemS and Financial Statement.

After reviewing the list of news (see the meeting presentation attached), the question was discussed whether or not to share any potential surplus of RadChem 2018 with EuChemS. DNRC does not have its budget line with EuChemS account, yet. There were no Incomes or Expenditures in 2017. It has been concluded that it is preferred to continue

the current functional way – the self-supported NRC and RadChem conferences (and not to try to fix something that is not broken).

5. NRC EuroMaster – update about the evaluation of NRC EuroMaster applications

Granting of the right to use of the DNRC EuroMaster label to the University of Helsinki and Czech Technical University in Prague was formally announced. The diplomas (or diploma attachments) should be designed and approved by the DNRC.

Other universities are invited to apply. The application forms are available at <https://www.cinch-project.eu/documents/>, NRC EuroMaster quality label, and should be linked also from the DNRC web.

6. Presentation of the European Network on Nuclear and Radiochemistry Education and Training (NRC Network) by Clemens Walter (chair)

The aim of the NRC Network is to promote collaboration in NRC, the membership is based on institutions, not countries – details are available at <http://nrc-network.org>. Interest from partners outside Europe has been registered – an observer status will be proposed for them if approved by the NRC Network GA.

J.P. Omtvedt proposed to invite on a permanent basis representative of NRC Network to participate in the DNRC meetings. This proposal was approved.

Discussion – it was proposed to link the pages of NRC network and DNRC EuChemS and clearly specify the aims so that it would be clearly seen that the two bodies are different.

7. DNRC Newsletter

No newsletter was issued in 2017 – what about the future?

After a long discussion, it has been concluded to stop the Newsletter and set up something on social media (a Facebook or Twitter account?). J.P. Omtvedt will propose a model for discussion.

8. Response on questionnaire to DNRC representatives

The questionnaire was designed and distributed by J.P. Omtvedt. However, only few responses were received yielding not enough material for a summary foreseen for a Newsletter. It was agreed to stop this effort.

9. Open Discussion – future DNRC work

The following options were discussed:

- Use the division as a tool and use it to promote NRC?
- Or rather define what is needed to be done...
- Engage younger generation? – Technically possible, if any country has someone to bring, that is possible.
- Organise an event for the “young generation” on some of the forthcoming conferences....
- European Chemistry Congresses (ECCs) – get involved if reasonable and possible (probably possible only in countries with strong home community).

10. Upcoming NRC related conferences and meetings.

A list of NRC related conferences and meetings is maintained at DNRC web (<http://www.euchems.eu/divisions/nuclear-and-radiochemistry-2/conferences/>). Everyone aware of additional conferences worth posting should send the basic facts to J. John whenever available – permanent task.

11. Date and place of the next Annual meeting.

Because of poor attendance to the odd-year meeting (non-NRC or Radchem years) it was decided to leave the decision till later and consider the Skype alternative..... The chairman will examine preferences again in January / February 2019; if a meeting in person will be called, adding videoconferencing option should be considered.

The 2020 meeting will take place during the NRC-10 conference scheduled for Manchester on 24-28 August 2020.

12. Miscellaneous

- J.P. Omtvedt raised questions whether or not to form an “Advisory board” for the Chair, e.g. ask the three “big nuclear powers” – UK, France, Germany to form an “advisory group” – It has been concluded to delegate the right to form such an advisory group to the chairman. If he/she feels the need, it should be formed from the volunteers inside the division.
- Election of the Chair in 2019 – Form election committee? No decision taken.

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Attachments:

1. Presence list
2. DNRC EuCheMS 2018 Annual Meeting presentation

EuCheMS 
European Chemical Sciences
 Division of Nuclear and Radiochemistry

2018 Annual Meeting

Wednesday 16th May 2018 at 12.10 hrs
 King Edward's Library, Casino Conference Centre,
 Mariánské Lázně, Czechia

2. Society representation

Name	Country	Annual Meeting:	Response:
Nominated members			
1. Ioannis Paschalidis	Cyprus	YES	E-mail 8th May
2. Jan John (secretary & treasurer)	Czech Republic	YES	
3. Xiaolin Hou	Denmark	YES	Q on 16th March
4. Jukka Lehto	Finland	Probably	
5. Philippe Moisy	France	YES	E-mail 8th May
6. Christoph Düllmann	Germany	YES	Q on 23rd March
7. Panagiotis Misaelides	Greece	NO	E-mail 9th May
8. Noémi Nagy	Hungary	YES	Q on 28th March
9. Israel Zilbermann	Israel		
10. Flavia Groppi	Italy	YES	Q on 18th April
11. Bert Wolterbeek	The Netherlands	PROXY – Antonia D.	E-mail 9th May
12. Jon Petter Omtvedt (chairman)	Norway	YES	
13. Jerzy Narbutt	Poland		
14. Isabel Santos	Portugal		
15. Stepan N. Kalmykov	Russia		
16. Divna Djokić	Serbia		
17. Pavol Rajec	Slovakia	YES	E-mail
18. C. Gascó Leonarte	Spain		
19. Christian Ekberg	Sweden	YES	Personal com.
20. Andreas Türler	Switzerland	SKYPE	Q on 18th April - SKYPE
21. Turan Unak	Turkey		
22. Nick Evans	UK	YES	Q on 16th April
Invited members			
23. Rositza Mihailova Kamenova-Totzeva	Bulgaria		
Missing / to be recruited			
(Thomas Cardinaels, SCK.CEN)	Belgium		
(Marko Štrok, IJS)	Slovenia		
(Alan Tkaczyk, U. Tartu)	Estonia		

AGENDA

- Welcome, Approval of agenda
- Society representation – changes and updates
- Protocol of last meeting (29th August 2018, INCC, Gothenburg)
- News from EuCheMS and Financial statement
- NRC EuroMaster – the first rights to use of the DNRC EuroMaster label granted
- Presentation of the European NRC Network (Clemens Walther)
- DNRC Newsletter – no 2017 edition
- Response on questionnaire to DNRC representatives
- Open Discussion – future DNRC work
- Upcoming NRC related conferences and meetings
- Date and place of the next Annual meeting
- Miscellaneous

2. Society representation – no response..

Name	Country	Annual Meeting:	Response:
Nominated members			
9. Israel Zilbermann	Israel		
13. Jerzy Narbutt	Poland		
14. Isabel Santos	Portugal		
15. Stepan N. Kalmykov	Russia		
16. Divna Djokić	Serbia		
18. C. Gascó Leonarte	Spain		
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Comments or ideas on how to contact these representatives?

3. Minutes of the last meeting (29th August 2018, INCC, Gothenburg)

Tasks:

New countries and representatives proposed:

- Belgium (Thomas Cardinaels, SCK.CEN)
- Slovenia (Marko Štrok, IJS)
- Estonia (Alan Tkaczyk, U. Tartu)

Candidates to be contacted only after collecting and evaluating the response. **Six representatives responded to the questionnaire, no particular suggestions except approval of the candidates.**

Pending: We try to contact the candidates.

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Tasks:

- 2017 Newsletter
→Point 7 on todays agenda.
- Permanent task – everyone aware of additional conferences worth posting should send the basic facts to J. John whenever available
- Nomination of A. Ware for DNRC Honorary Membership award for his merits in founding DNRC and anchoring it firmly in the EuCheMS system – ask the DNRC members for approval *per rollam*.
→Not done – we do it now!

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Tasks:

- NRC EuroMaster – open the summaries to comments by the division members and only then finally decide on awarding the right.
→Point 5 on todays agenda.
- Compilation of DNRC member countries NRC status, including their representative – contributions to be sought by an on-line form.
→Point 8 on todays agenda.

4. News from EuCheMS and Financial statement

News from EuCheMS

- David Cole-Hamilton passes the chairmanship to **Pilar Goya**
- The following members elected to the EuCheMS Executive Board for a four year mandate starting on 1 January 2018:
 - Nicola Armaroli
 - Kenneth Ruud
 - Livia Simon Sarkadi
 - Saskia van der Vies
- New Working Party on „Formulation in Chemistry“
- The General Assembly agrees to take legal action towards change the current name of EuCheMS to “European Chemical Society”, with abbreviation EuChemS.

4. News from EuCheMS and Financial statement

Division chairs meeting

- Executive Board decided on the Conference Cooperation Agreement
 - Member Societies should be approached for organisation of a PN's conferences...
 - Sharing of surplus from PNs' conferences: most agree this is a good idea ???
- EuCheMS conference recognition – fill in a spreadsheet with key information
- Finances – each Division receives 3000€ as seed money, when they open their budget line within the EuCheMS account....

5. NRC EuroMaster

Two applications for the NRC EuroMaster status approved:

- **University of Helsinki** (Chemistry EuroMaster holder)
- **Czech Technical University** in Prague (not holder of the Chemistry EuroMaster)

Financial Statement

- **2017 incomes = 0**

As requested by the ExCom, sharing 20 % of surplus (if any) of RadChem 2018 is considered to be transferred to EuCheMS and shared between the ExCom and DNRC – **to be discussed**

6. Presentation of the European Network on Nuclear and Radiochemistry Education and Training by Clemens Walter (chair)

7. DNRC Newsletter 2017

- No 2017 issue.
- TBD – What about the future?

8. Response on questionnaire to DNRC representatives

- Idea was to get material for a Newsletter summary of NRC status in member countries. However, far too few responses.

9. Open Discussion – future DNRC work**10. NRC related conferences and meetings**

DNRC web - <http://www.euchems.eu/divisions/nuclear-and-radiochemistry-2/conferences/>

11. Date and place of the next Annual meeting**13. Miscellaneous**