

2018 Annual Meeting

49th Meeting of EuChemS-DAC

Sunday, August 26, 2018

Time: 13.00 – 16.00

Venue: Jury's Inn (31 Keel Wharf, Suite 1), Liverpool

MINUTES

1. Opening

1.1 Welcome by Slavica Ražić

Slavica Razić (SR) welcomes Delegates, Guests and Observers and acknowledges the assistance of Royal Chemical Society on organizing this meeting. SR apologises for late confirmation about the date and time of the meeting.

1.2 Finalisation of the Agenda

The following topics are included in the Agenda as requested by SR:

- "Topic 3. Elections, Appointments, Awards" is extended to accommodate "Cooperation with other Divisions" and subtopic "3.5 Cooperation with DCE/EuChemS";
- the subtopic "5.8 ECC7 and ECC8" is added to "5. Reports and Information".

Jiri Barek requests for the addition of the subtopic "7.1 Establishment of Task Force Electroanalytical Chemistry" in the topic "7. Any other business". The subtopic 7.1 was moved to 7.2.

1.3 Changes in membership, attendance, apologies

The list of participants can be found as Attachment 1 of the Minutes. SR informed that Dr. Steven Lancaster is the new representative of the Royal Society of Chemistry (UK), and that the representatives of the Koninklijke Vlaamse Chemische Vereniging (Belgium) and the Danish Chemical Society (Denmark) recently informed their will to

step down. These societies were contacted, along with the Estonian Chemical Society (Estonia) for nomination of representatives.

1.4 Approval of the Minutes of 48th DAC Meeting, Monday, August 28, 2017, Stockholm

The minutes are approved, including its Attachments 2 (EuCheMS-DAC Strategy for 2018-2020) and 3 (EuCheMS-DAC Procedures and Practices). This last document is updated with the new designation EuChemS and is included here as Attachment 2.

2. Report of the Chair

2.1 Chair remarks and News from EuChemS (2017-2018)

The EuChemS Year Book 2017 has been published and is available from the website of EuChemS (<http://www.euchems.eu/about-us/year-books/>). As usual, DAC will contribute to the 2018 edition.

SR shares the new name, acronym, and logo of EuChemS, reflected also in the logo of DAC. The acronym EuCheMS evolved to EuChemS and the designation of “European Association for Chemical and Molecular Sciences” was replaced by “European Chemical Society”. SR also informs that this change was decided by EuChemS Executive Board prior to the EuChemS General Assembly organized on 25 - 26 August 2018 in the Liverpool.

SR also highlights the presence of Analytical Chemistry in the recent awards of EuChemS, mentioning the attribution of EuChemS Award for Service to Prof. Reiner Salzer and the attribution of EuChemS Lecture Award to Dr. Anna Laura Capriotti, who will present her award lecture at EUROANALYSIS XX in Istanbul. As information, the attribution of the first European Chemistry Gold Medal to Prof. Ben Feringa is also mentioned.

SR informs that the DAC Steering Committee and also the Presidium of EUROANALYSIS XX met in Istanbul last April. The on-site inspection provided a positive impression of the conference venue and the conditions offered to participants. Turkish colleagues will proceed with organization.

The European Analytical Column number 46 has been published in a few journals and is available on DAC website (<http://www.euchems.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/EAC-46.pdf>). As mentioned previously, problems due to copyright infringement have been identified, namely by Springer as publisher of Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry, when the same text is published by several journals. Solutions to this problem will be discussed soon with Springer representative (Dr. Steffen Pauly). Other vehicles for dissemination of DAC publicity material are under consideration, namely *The Analytical Scientist* publication, with a meeting scheduled with its representatives (Lee Noyes and Rich Whitworth).

3. Elections, Appointments, Awards and Cooperation with other Divisions

3.1 Steering Committee membership for 2019

The members of the Steering Committee for 2019 will be:

Slavica Ražić (Chair), Marcela Segundo (Secretary), Jiri Barek (Treasurer), Christian Rolando, Charlotta Turner, Sibel Özkan, and Martin Vogel.

3.2 DAC Tributes

The DAC Tribute is awarded to Prof. Paul Worsfold. A certificate will be delivered on the next 17th International Conference on Chemistry and the Environment (ICCE) on occasion of his invited lecture.

3.3 Robert Kellner Lecture

3.4 DAC Award

Both topics are addressed together and SR reminds the deadline for submission of applications as October 31, 2018.

3.5 Cooperation with DCE

After two meetings in March and August, contact with the Chair of Division of Chemical and Environment (Prof. Ioannis A. Katsoyiannis) was established and stronger cooperation with DCE will be enforced through the following initiatives:

- to exchange keynote speakers in the main scientific conferences organized by DCE and DAC. Prof. Paul Worsfold (UK) is nominated by DAC to present his work

related to environmental analytical chemistry in 17th ICCE (16-20 June 2019, Thessaloniki, <http://icce2019.org/>). Prof. Ester Heath (Slovenia) is nominated by DCE to present her work related to environmental analytical chemistry in EUROANALYSIS XX.

- to organize a DAC session at 17th ICCE conference and a DCE session at EUROANALYSIS XX. In addition to the DAC session, the members of the Steering Committee will also organize their first meeting in 2019 as joint event.

4. EUROANALYSIS Conferences

4.1 EUROANALYSIS XX, Istanbul, Turkey, 2019

Sibel Özkan gives an update about the organisation and the inputs obtained during the visit of DAC Steering Committee to the venue. The provisional program and the brochure are included as Attachment 3 and 4.

4.2 EUROANALYSIS XXI, Maastricht, Netherlands, 2021

A presentation about the developments upon the organization of EUROANALYSIS XXI is given by Dr. Cari Sanger and Dr. Oscar van den Brink. The organizers propose to move the conference from Maastricht to Nijmegen. As updated information, key elements with details of venue, accommodation, travel accessibility, budget and letter(s) of support are not given in the presentation, After a few comments of delegates that they voted for the Bid Book presented in Stockholm last year and request for the date of the conference to be shifted to the later week, SR requests a revised Bid Book to be sent to her until September 30, 2018. DAC Steering Committee will analyse the document and communicate their observations until October 31, 2018.

4.3 EUROANALYSIS XXII, 2023

A formal expression of interest, with letters of support, has been received already in April this year from the Swiss Chemical Society, convened by Franka Kalman, to organize EUROANALYSIS XXII in Geneve. Raluca van Staden also expresses her willingness to host EUROANALYSIS XXII in Romania. Marcela Segundo (MS) informs that a formal expression of interest from Romanian Chemical Society is required and

that the Bid Books must be sent to the Secretary until the end of May 2018, for distribution 3 months prior to their discussion in the following annual meeting.

5. Reports and Information

5.1 Study Group 'Education in Analytical Chemistry'; Head: M. Vogel (2016-2019)

The report for 2017/2018 has been received and has been sent out to the delegates (Attachment 5).

5.2 Study Group 'Quality Assurance and Accreditation'; Head: E. Gjengedal (2018-2020)

The report for 2017/2018 has been received and has been sent out to the delegates (Attachment 6).

5.3 Study Group 'History'; Head: D.T. Burns (2018-2020)

The report for 2017/2018 has been received and has been sent out to the delegates (Attachment 7).

5.4 Study Group 'Bioanalytics'; Head: R. van Staden (2017-2018)

The report for 2017/2018 has been received and has been sent out to the delegates (Attachments 8 and 9). MS apologises for not including the annex containing the concept of Bioanalytics in earlier communication. The activities of this Study Group are extended for 2019-2021.

5.5 Study Group 'Chemometrics'; Head: R. Tauler (2015-2018)

The report for 2017/2018 has been received and has been sent out to the delegates (Attachments 10 and 11). SR highlights the quality of the activities developed by this group, including scientific papers with tutorials on the topic in peer reviewed journals. The activities of this Study Group are extended for 2019-2021.

5.6 Study Group "Nanoanalytics"; Head: S. Shtykov (2018-2020)

The report for 2017/2018 has been received and has been sent out to the delegates (Attachment 12).

5.7 DAC website

The new designation of EuChemS and logo was incorporated throughout the DAC website. All information is updated. SR asks delegates to visit the webpage and indicate if any problem is found.

5.8 ECC7 and ECC8

MS gives information on DAC participation in the program of ECC7. In the main topic “Physical and analytical chemistry advances”, within a total of 4 sessions, one of them was dedicated to Analytical Chemistry, entitled “Advances in analytical chemistry and methods”, convened by Prof. Jiri Homola and consisting of 2 × 30’ talks and 12 × 15’ talks. Additionally, two sessions were present in the ancillary program: “ABC’s of Analytics”, convened by Günter Gauglitz, consisting of 5 × 30’ talks, followed by discussion during break time and “Pattern recognition for chemometrics and metabolomics”, convened by Richard Brereton, consisting of 5 × 30’ talks.

Concerning ECC8, which will take place in Lisbon in 2020, an e-mail was received on July 23 asking for suggestions for the program within 5 days. A full-day symposium was proposed on behalf of DAC, entitled “Advances and Perspectives in Analytical Chemistry in Europe”, which combines suggestions from Günter Gauglitz, Jiri Barek, and Charlotta Turner. Individual proposals were also submitted by Raluca van Staden and Jose Luis Perez-Pavon. SR also informs that she participated in the General Assembly and also in the discussion with Chairs of Professional Networks and the Chair of EuChemS Congress in Lisbon 2020, Prof. Artur Silva. SR expressed the disappointment regarding the designation of the topic “Spectroscopic and Analytical Tools / Advances in Physical Chemistry” in the EuChemS General Assembly because of the replacement of “Chemistry” by “Tools” in association to “Analytical”. Additional remark was made on the late invitation for contribution to the scientific content of EuChemS Congress 2020 as the main structure and framework were already accomplished.

6. Events organized in cooperation with DAC-EuChemS

6.1 Past events

ANALÍTICA – 2018, 26-27 March 2018 (Porto, Portugal)

ESEAC 2018, 3-7 June 2018 (Rodos, Greece)

6.2 Upcoming events

4th International Conference on Analytical Chemistry, 1-3 September 2018
(Bucharest, Romania)

14th International Students Conference “Modern Analytical Chemistry”, 20-21
September 2018 (Prague, Czech Republic)

SR invites all delegates to submit proposals for organization of events in cooperation with DAC-EuChemS.

7. Any other business

7.1 Establishment of Task Force Electroanalytical Chemistry

Jiri Barek proposes the establishment of a Task Force dedicated to Electroanalytical Chemistry, including other members of DAC and eminent scientists in the field. SR asks for definition of aims and objectives, which are included as Attachment 13. The establishment of this Task Force is approved.

7.2 Date and venue of the 2019 DAC Annual Meeting (in conjunction with EUROANALYSIS XX in Istanbul)

The Annual Meeting 2019 will take place in Istanbul on Sunday 1st September 2019, 9:00, prior to EUROANALYSIS XX.

Marcela Segundo
(Secretary)

Slavica Razic
(Chair)