

**Minutes of IAC Meeting at ICM 2015, Barcelona**  
**July 8, 2015** (Start: 1,30 p.m; End: 4.30 pm)

Present: F. Albertini, D. Fiorani, B. Hillebrands, N. Lupu, O.Chubykalo-Fesenco , R. Coburn, T. Schrefl, A. Kirilyuk, N. Dempsey, P. Nordblad, R. Ibarra, S. Majetich, D. Altbir  
 Invited: R. Stamps (JEMS 2016), O. Fruchart (ESM)

**1) Update of the organization of JEMS 2016**

R. Stamps provided information on the different aspects of the organization of JEMS 2016. His presentation was followed by questions and discussion.

Decisions after discussion:

- to reduce the registration fee for students to about 300 €
- to set reduced rates for retirees
- to remove 50 waived registration fees for invited speakers
- publication policy: to allow for publication from any participant and to publish special focus issues (may be a couple) devoted to selected topics (new quotes from journal will be collected).
- invited talks policy:  
 Members of the Programme Committee: they may not present Plenary or Semi-plenary talks and cannot be coauthors of them; they cannot be presenting author on invited or contributed talks.  
 Symposium Organisers may not be presenting authors in their own symposium, but can present invited or contributed talks in other symposia.

Stamps requested input from IAC by 1 August 2015 on:

- plenary and semi-plenary speakers
- members of the program committee (the size should be around 5 persons). According to Stamps, ideally this will contain one or two members from previous JEMS conferences.
- symposium organizers (proposed symposia are reported in the attached file)

Stamps also asked for receiving :

- Mailing lists (from previous JEMS, current ICM, and any others)
- Data on participant numbers (students, regular, early, on-site, etc) from previous JEMS
- Lists of previous exhibitors and suggestions for additional ones

**2) European School on Magnetism (ESM)**

O. Fruchart presented the development of ESM in the years, an overview of ESM 2015 (Topic: From basic concepts to spin currents) (Cluj-Napoca, Romania; August 24 – September 4, 2015 ) and a draft of ESM 2017 (Topic: Bringing together condensed matter and spintronics : DMI, skyrmions, frustration, topology)(Cargese, Corsica, France; October, 9-20, 2017).

In the future the location of ESM will be also in other European countries after selection of suitable places. Fruchart illustrated the new web site. Every body congratuled him for the excellent job he did.

**3) European Magnetism Association ( EMA)**

D. Fiorani illustrated the general aspects and the main objectives of EMA reporting the main contents of the draft of statute prepared by the working group composed by F. Albertini, O. Fruchart, B. Hillebrands, D. Givord and himself. A discussion followed.

Every body recognized the importance and the advantages, summarized by Fiorani, of founding a European Institution for magnetism. R. Ibarra, responsible of the Magnetism Section in the Condensed Matter Division of EPS spoke very favorably on the opportunity of contacts between EMA and EPS.

With respect to what reported in the draft of the statute, Fiorani proposed a three years term, renewable once, for the General Council (GC), and not renewable for the president and vice president. B. Hillebrands proposed that the vicepresident also plays the role of secretary. The proposal were approved.

Regarding the GC composition it was raised the problem of selecting the national representative for those countries (the large majority) not having a national society/association. It was decided that any type of official organization or structure on magnetism in a country (one for each country) may designate the national representative in the GC.

B. Hillebrands proposed to maintain a working group supporting the president and vicepresident. The members of the working group will have specific roles to be defined, e.g. contacts with IEEE Magnetics Society, IUPAP, EPS, companies.....There was a general agreement on this. Actually, this kind of roles is mentioned in the proposed statute, as pointed out by Fiorani.

O. Chubykalo-Fecenco, on behalf of the Spanish Club of Magnetism, presented the problem of paying the individual association fee to EMA in addition to that to the national society. Fiorani pointed out that in the transient phase (ending in 2019) no association fee will be requested to individuals. In any case in the future the fee will be very small and, as reported in the statute, there will be a fee reduction for the members of national societies/associations. Moreover, according to the statute, the payment of the EMA membership fee will entitle individual members to a reduction in the registration fee to JEMS conferences and ESM schools.

There was not time to discuss the possible change of the acronym. R. Jansen sent an E-mail suggesting EuMAG.

Fiorani concluded reminding that the planning is to found officially EMA at JEMS 2016 in Glasgow and untill to that date the statute will circulate again open to proposals of changes.

Barcelona, July 8, 2015

Dino Fiorani

