

# ESCM

European Society for Composite Materials

## Minutes for the General Assembly

**Tuesday June 24, 2014**

Auditorium of the School of Engineering of the University of Seville, Sevilla, Spain

Present: 161 delegates

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### **Agenda**

- 1) Welcoming of the new ESCM Members
- 2) Tribute to Anthony Kelly
- 3) Report from the president on activities for the period of 2012-2014 and news from the last Council
- 4) Election of 10 new members for the new ESCM Council
- 5) ECCM17 – Brief presentation
- 6) Installation of the new President 2014-2016
- 7) Adjourn

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### **1. The President, Marino Quaresimin, welcomes the new ESCM members**

### **2. The President Marino Quaresimin, Sergei Mileiko, Bob Young and Steve Ogin tributes memory of Anthony Kelly**

### **3. Report from the President on activities done in the period of 2012-2014 and news from the last Council**

The President Marino Quaresimin illustrates the activities done during his term of presidency in the period of 2012-2014 and the main decisions taken by the Council.

- An agreement was signed with Elsevier (via Curran Associates) for the FREE coverage and indexing of the ECCM15 Proceedings in Scopus and Compendex.
- The Council decided to made the ECCM proceedings publicly available on the ESCM website (three months after the conference). This would help the visibility of the research activity done by the members of the Society.
- A working group within the Council defined more precise rules for ESCM award and decided to improve the promotion and the advertisement of the award via ESCM members list and national composite Societies.
- The Council decided to establish an ESCM best paper award, for Master and PhD students, (award and a money prize of 500 Euro) (to be implemented from ECCM17).

- The Council decided to provide financial support for the organisation of PhD Summer Schools to be held under the umbrella of ESCM. It was suggested to support one proposal per year with a maximum contribution of 5000 € to support the logistic expenses of the school and waive (in full or partially) the registration of some PhD, 10 students.
- The Council decided to establish an informative ESCM newsletter to be sent once or twice per year.
- The Council decided to establish formal agreements with JEC and Japanese Society for Composites to foster the cooperation and the promotion of joined activities in the field of composites. The Memorandums of Understanding are in preparation and will be signed by the new President, Federico Paris.
- There is the urgent and formal need to define a legal status and a registered office for the ESCM. The Council nominated a committee to manage the relevant issues (F. Paris, K. Drechsler, M. Quaresimin, J. Lamon, D. Van Hemelrijck, I. Verpoest) and suggests Belgium as a tentative legal country for the Society.
- The Council suggests to establish a Committee of young researchers (under 32 years of age) with the aim to propose actions to be carried out by the ESCM in order to widening the interest and the involvement of the younger members. Dr. S. Pinho and Dr. M. Zappalorto will collect names of members interested in participation and will represent the interface with the council.
- The ESCM provided the endorsement to several conferences/workshops/events:
  - Composite week, Leuven, Belgium 16-20 September 2013.
  - Advanced Materials for Demanding Applications. St Asaph, North Wales, 7-10 April 2014.
  - Workshop on testing and modeling ceramic and carbon matrix composites. Cachan, France, 4-6 June 2014.
  - PhD Summer School on Composites of AIAS (Italian Association of Stress Analysis). Ferrara, Italy 16-19 June, 2014.
  - New modeling strategies of damage and failure of composite structures: a breakthrough in composite sizing. Toulouse, France, June 30/ July 1, 2014.

#### **4. Election of ten new members of the ESCM Council**

The 10 newly elected Council members serving until 2018 are:

Camanho Pedro (P)  
 Correa Elena (S)  
 Van Paepegem Wim (B)  
 Bismarck Alexander (A/UK)  
 Barroso Alberto (S)  
 Gorbatiikh Larissa (B)  
 Kostopoulos Vassilis (G)  
 Vassilopoulos Anastasios (CH)  
 Galiotis Costas (G)  
 Olivier Philippe (F)

- 5. Professor R. Hinterhölzl gives a presentation of the next ECCM17 in Munich, Germany, June 26-30, 2016.**
- 6. Professor Federico Paris is installed as the new President of the ESCM for 2014-2016.**
- 7. The meeting is adjourned.**