

eCAADe Annual General Meeting

Meeting held on
6.30 pm, 18 September 2009

Istanbul Technical University
Istanbul

MINUTES

Present

Administrative Council: Henri Achten (HA) (President and Chair), Alexander Asanowicz (AA), Andre Brown (AB), Vassilis Bourdakis (VB), Johan Verbeke (JV), Wolfgang Dokonal (WD), Bob Martens (BM), Tadeja Zupancic (TZ), Birgul Colakoglu (BC), and Gulen Cagdas (GC).

Financial Auditor: Mike Knight (MK), Scott Chase (SC).

Members: Approximately 80 eCAADe members attended.

Apologies: Thomas Kvan (TK), Tom Maver (TM), Nele De Meyere (Secretariat) (NDM), Joachim Kieferle (JBK), Jose Duarte (JD), and Marc Muylle (MM).

1. Welcome and Statement by the President

HA welcomed the membership to the eCAADe 2009 Annual General Meeting being held at Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul.

HA presented an overview of the council's activities:

- the website that has been updated;
- the blog functionality which has been added to the eCAADe website;
- eCAADe on LinkedIn;
- the benefit of eCAADe membership;
- the IJAC Journal is more and more successful;
- CUMINCAD is widely used;
- the possibility of institutional membership for libraries (in collaboration with ACADIA, CAADRIA and SIGRADI) including one year full institutional access to the CUMINCAD database and one year eCAADe membership for one faculty member receiving a hard copy of the last's conference proceedings for a 200 € subscription fee.

2. The council

HA presented the council members (Henri Achten, Aleksander Asanowicz, Vassilis Bourdakis, Andre Brown, Gulen Cagdas, Birgul Colakoglu, Nele De Meyere, Wolfgang Dokonal, Jose Duarte, Joachim Kieferle, Tom Kvan, Bob Martens, Tom Maver, Marc Muylle, Johan Verbeke, Tadeja Zupancic, Silke Konsorski-Lang) and the roles fixed for the council members.

HA's second term as president ends. He thanks the eCAADe membership for their trust and support, and the eCAADe council for their collaboration without which the task could not have been done.

The eCAADe council proposed WD as candidate for president of eCAADe. The membership elects unanimously Wolfgang Dokonal as president of eCAADe for the coming two years.

The new president thanks Henri Achten for all energy and development of eCAADe during the last 4 years.

JD is proposed to continue as VP. The AGM agrees.

3. Report from the secretariat

HA reported on the membership of the eCAADe association (around 135 Antwerp participants, around 130 Istanbul participants) and gave an overview of the Profit and Loss and Statement of Accounts for 2008 with an income of 11722,18 euro and an expenditure of 5012,91 euro during 2008, resulting in a profit of 6709,27 euro. Added with the transfer from 2007 of 34569,68 euro, this results in a healthy balance of 41278,95 euro. HA summarized the benefits of joining eCAADe (access to CUMINCAD, eCAADe Listserver and reduced subscription to IJAC) underlining the fact that the association continuously tries to develop activities of benefit to the membership and advantageous for the CAD-community. It has to be noted that more and more people stay member even when they do not attend the yearly conference.

MK and SC were auditors of the financial figures of 2008. They pointed out that some payments to the previous conference organizers for proceedings backorders have not been done as they had not been invoiced yet. This will be accounted for in the next year. SC and MK were thanked for auditing the 2008 accounts.

4. Relationships with other organisations

- ACADIA 2009: Reform()” from 22-25 October 2009, Chicago, USA (<http://www.acadia.org/acadia2009/>). Volker Muller presented ACADIA.
- CAADRIA 2010: 'CAAD'S new frontiers' from 7-10 April 2010, Hong Kong, PRC (www.caadria2010.org). Andrew Li presented CAADRIA.
- SIGRADI 2009: 'Digital Graphics and Applied Computer Science: Cooperation, Integration and Development' from 16-18 November, Sao Paulo, Brasil (www.sigradi.org). Gabriela Celani presented SIGRADI.

5. Future conferences for eCAADe

HA gave an overview of the upcoming conferences. eCAADe aims to plan two conferences ahead. Statements of interest for future organization have been raised by Aalborg, Delft, Madrid, Prague, and Rome. There is an open bidding procedure based on conference guidelines. Members interested to host future conferences can contact BM.

The forthcoming conferences are set as:

2010: Zurich, Switzerland, conference chairs Remo Burkhard, Ludger Hovestadt, Silke Konsorski-Lang, and Gerhard Schmitt (www.ecaade2010.ethz.ch). Jan Halatsch and Antje Kunze presented the conference.

2011: Ljubljana, Slovenia, hosted by Tadeja Zupancic. Tadeja Zupancic presented the conference.

6. Activities in the regions

The membership was invited to give messages and announcements.

7. Ivan Petrovic Award

HA changed chairing the AGM with WD to continue with the IP Award. WD explained that winning the Ivan Petrovic Award for the best presentation of a young researcher (< 35 years) includes as prize a certificate, free entrance to future eCAADe conference and assistance in IJAC submission. The voting was done by the conference participants. There was one clear winner but 6 equal runners-up:

- Jerome Frumar, Anders Hermund, Tugrul Yazar, Sven Schneider, Shaghayegh Shadkou, and David van der Maas as runners-up;
- Gabriel Wurzer as winner.

8. Any other business

WD announced the eCAADe poster competition.

The conference organizers were warmly thanked for a wonderful 2009 conference!

No other matters were upraised and the meeting was closed at 7.15 pm.