

eCAADe AGM

Meeting held on

19 September 2002: 6 p.m.

Faculty of Architecture
Warsaw University of Technology, Poland

MINUTES

Present

Administrative Council: Andre Brown (President and Chair), Henri Achten (Vice-President), Jean Dick (Secretariat), Alexander Asanowicz (Communicator with Eastern Regional Representatives), Jonas af Klerker (Communicator with Northern Regional Representatives), Johan Verbeke (Hon Treasurer), Bob Martens (Co-ordinator of Future Conference Sites), (Tom Maver (Research) and Jelena Petric (Hon Secretary), Thomas Kvan (Communicator with Overseas) and Hannu Penttila (Conference Paper Review Process Adviser).

Financial Auditor: Wolfgang Dokonal

Members: Approximately 50 eCAADe members attended

Apologies: Andrew Roberts

1. Welcome and Statement by the President

AB welcomed the eCAADe members to the eCAADe 2002 Annual General Meeting being held in Warsaw University of Technology, Poland.

2 Report from Secretariat

TM reported on the accounts for eCAADe. The accounts for 2001 have been approved by Financial Auditors (AR and WD) also a copy of the accounts has been forwarded to the Treasurer of eCAADe (JV). The accounts are showing a profit this year of £2915.43. This is due, in part, to the healthy sale of the eCAADe Digital Proceedings together with requests for membership over the past year. The balance of funds at 31 December 2001 was £13217.36. The current membership stands at 138.

3 Relationships with other organisations

- 3.1 ACADIA: Loukas Kalisperis thanked AB and BM on behalf of ACADIA for the help and support given to them. The 2002 conference will be held in Cal State Poly, Pomona on 24-27 October 2002. eCAADe will be represented by Bob Martens and Andy Brown.
- 3.2 CAADRIA: Jin Yeu Tsou reported that the next conference will be held in Bangkok, Rangsit University in April 2003. Representation by eCAADe has not been decided yet. The conference is arranged to follow on from CAAD Futures.
- 3.3 SIGRADI: Jose Ripper Kos reported that the next conference will be held in Caracas, Venezuela on 27-29 November 2002. Jose thanked AB and BM for the work done within eCAADe which had benefits for the wider community.
- 3.4 CAAD Futures: The next conference will be held in Taiwan in April 2003.

A report was given by TM regarding the Proceedings of the last 9 conferences of CAAD Futures. Copyright permissions have been granted from the 7 publishers involved. The intention is to make a CD-ROM of all the Proceedings something equivalent to the eCAADe Proceedings.

4. Relationships within eCAADe

- 4.1 New International Journal: AB reported on the new International Journal of Architectural Computing. There will be 4 issues per year with each organisation editing one issue. Subscription costs would be around 30 EURO for the electronic version and around 170 EURO for personal subscriptions to the electronic plus paper version for members of the four associations (eCAADe, CAADRIA, ACADIA, SIGRADI). AB confirmed general support for this with obvious reservations however Multi Science are willing to take the financial risk, so no investment of funds is required from any of the organisations. AB also advised that there would be an Editor-in-Chief (AB), and Executive Board (TM, HA, TK, an other) and Sub-Boards for each of the sister organisations. All of the sister organisations have agreed to collaborate. Following consultation with all of the international organisations it has been agreed that Liverpool University will design the cover and page layout.
- 4.2 Web Presence and Listserv: It was agreed that the eCAADe list-server should now include all those on the database whose email address was known. Individuals will require to un-subscribe if they do not wish to receive eCAADe emails.
- 4.3 Cumincad: BM outlined the current position regarding CUMINCAD and described the further developments which are planned.

5. Future Conferences

- 5.1 Wolfgang Dokonal reported that the plans for the conference in Graz on 17-20 September 2003 in the University of Technology Urban Design are well

underway and that his University is looking forward to welcoming the Membership in what will be the European City of Culture Year in Graz. Deadline for Abstracts for this conference is 1 February 2003.

- 5.2 Bjarne Rudiger, Bruno Tournay, Henning Orbak of the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts presented and won the bid to host the 2004 conference in Copenhagen. Bjarne gave a short presentation at the AGM which supported their bid. He also informed us that this will be the 250th birthday of the Academy,

AB asked for bids for the 2005 conference. There was a general view that we should target somewhere in Southern Europe, (most obviously Greece, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, but was pleased to note that there was also interest from German members to host the conference there).

AB reported on a new opportunity of funding for European Associations under the SOCRATES scheme. He, Henri Achten and Johan Verbeke are drafting a bid which will be considered by the Council prior to the 30 September deadline.

6. Any Other Business

There was no other business and the meeting was closed, and the hosts, in particular the Dean, Prof. Wrona, were thanked for their kind support for the meeting and the Conference.