eCAADe Annual General Meeting

Meeting held on
6.15 pm, 22 September 2005

Universidade Técnica de Lisboa
Instituto Superior Técnica
Lisboa

MINUTES

Present
Administrative Council: Andre Brown (President and Chair) (AB), Henri Achten (HA), Alexander Asanowicz (AA), Nele De Meyere (Secretariat) (NDM), Wolfgang Dokonal (WD), Joachim Kieferle (JK), Jose Duarte (JD).


Conference paper web review: Hannu Penttila (HP).

Members: Approximately 50 eCAADe members attended.

Apologies: Jonas af Klercker (JK), Vassilis Bourdakis (VB): left earlier, Thomas Kvan (TK), Bob Martens (BM): left earlier, Tom Maver (TM), Henning Orbak (HO), Johan Verbeke (JV).

1. Welcome and Statement by the President

AB welcomed the eCAADe members to the eCAADe 2005 Annual General Meeting being held in Universidade Tecnica de Lisboa, Instituto Superior Técnica, Lisboa.

2. The council

AB presented the council and the roles fixed for the council members and gave an overview of what eCAADe does: conference site organization, web review systems, IJAC, CUMINCAD, digitisation of paper papers (CAADFutures) and financial support for young researchers. The council welcomed its new members, the future conference hosts: Vassilis Bourdakis (VB) and Joachim Kieferle (JK).

3. Report from the secretariat

The secretariat, since March 2004 located at Hogeschool voor Wetenschap & Kunst in Brussels, reported on healthy membership and finances. AB presented the annual accounts for 2004, explaining that eCAADe is a non-profit making organization, investing its money back into research. The accounts for 2004 had been approved by Financial Auditor (SL), also a copy of the accounts has been forwarded to the Treasurer of eCAADe (JV). The accounts are showing a profit of 1922,50 euro. The accounts are agreed upon.

4. Relationships with other organisations

5. Future conferences for eCAADe

AB gave an overview of the upcoming conferences and explained that eCAADe, during its council meeting, took the unusual decision to plan the conference locations 3 years ahead, as a well-structured proposal was received by Antwerp. This unusual commitment in advance assured a historic return to Antwerp on the 25th eCAADe anniversary.

The forthcoming conferences are set as:

2006: Volos, Greece, hosted by Vassilis Bourdakis
2007: Wiesbaden, Germany, hosted by Joachim Kieferle
2008: Antwerp, Belgium, hosted by Marc Muyle

Vassilis Bourdakis presented the 24th eCAADe conference, being held in Volos, Greece, 6-9 September 2005: theme, conference organization team, important dates, conference website and tourist and travel information.

Members who are interested to host future conferences can contact BM.

6. Activities in the regions

- A. Asanowicz and A. Jakimowicz (TU Bialystok) are preparing a new book. The call for submission of papers will be launched through the eCAADe list server.
- AK.AI-meeting (Architektur-Informatik) – Germany

7. Ivan Petrovic Award

About 25% of the presentations at the Lisbon conference were given by young researchers, qualifying for the Ivan Petrovic Award for best presentation. Note of action taken at the end of the Conference on behalf of the Council: The jury decided to award two young researchers: Agnieszka Sowa for ‘Computer Aided Architectural Design vs. Architect Aided Computing Design’ and Axel Kilian for ‘Design Innovation Through Constraint Modelling’.

No other matters are upraised and the meeting is closed at 6.50 pm.

8. Any other business

It was noted that the Presidency of eCAADe was be handed over from Andre Brown, to Henri Achten at the Conference. It was also noted that the Council would elect a new Vice President immediately after the conference and that members would be notified of the outcome.

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