

MINUTES

28th EASM General Assembly, online meeting

Friday, 18th September 2020

Chair: Ruth Crabtree

Secretary: Stefan Walzel, Secretary General EASM

1. Opening of the General Assembly

Ruth Crabtree opened the 28th General Assembly. 55 (fifty-five) members with voting rights attended the meeting. According to EASM's statutes 7.6, the minimum chorum of ten percent of members was succeed. At the time of the AGM, EASM has 167 members.

2. Approval of the Agenda for the Meeting

The agenda of the meeting was approved by the members.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the 27th General Assembly, 2019 in Seville

The Minutes of the 27th General Assembly 2019 in Seville were approved.

4. Report from the President

President Vassil Girginov reported about EASM activities during the previous year. Treasurer Aila Ahonen gave the financial report and presented the financial budget for 2020/21 (see appendix A). Both reports and the budget plan were approved by the members.

Rob Wilson and Gun Normark checked the EASMs' books independently. Both auditors reported that the accounting was well documented and no issues or concerns were raised (see appendix B). However, the impact of the COVID 19

pandemic on the financial viability of EASM should be seriously considered for the upcoming financial year.

5. Report from ESMQ editor

Paul Downward reported upon the development of the European Sport Management Quarterly. As impact factors are driven by citations, authors and reviewers are encouraged to promote the citation of ESMQ literature if it is relevant. The Journal remains a 3 rating on the UK Association of Business Schools Academic Journal Guide in the UK and currently has an A rating on the Australian Business Deans Council Journal Quality list.*

6. Questions and discussion

No question or comment were raised.

7.EASM Conferences

The EASM Conference 2021 will be hold in London from 1 to 4 September.

Innsbruck University will host the EASM Conference in 2022.

In 2023 the EASM Conference will be organised by the Ulster University, Belfast, Norther Ireland.

The call for bids for 2024 is open and interested organisations are asked to submit their interest before 31 May 2021.

The EASM Board will host a workshop on 22 October 2020 in order to explore the future format of EASM Conferences.

10. Election of next Chair

The EASM Board proposed James Zhang as the chair for the AGM 2021. The members unanimously accepted the proposal.

11. Any Other Business

WASM will host its fourth conference 2021 in Doha, Qatar.

SMAANZ Conference Week will take place 30th Nov – 4th Dec 2020.

Christos Anagnostopoulos asked about the current state of the EASM Research Fellow Programme. Vassil Girginov responded that the EASM Board will discuss this item at next Board Meeting.

12. Closing of the Meeting

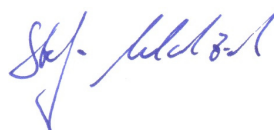
The next AGM will be on 2nd or 3rd September 2021 in London. The chair closed the meeting.

Cologne, 18th September 2020



Ruth Crabtree

Chair AGM



Stefan Walzel

Secretary General EASM

Appendix A: Budget plan FY 2020/21

	2019/20*	2020/21
Revenues, total	80,095.21 €	68,025.00 €
Membership fees	5,341.00 €	7,400.00 €
Conference	32,765.00 €	0.00 €
Journal ESMQ	40,989.21 €	40,000.00 €
Research Projects	0.00 €	19,625.00 €
Sponsorship	1,000.00 €	1,000.00 €
Expenditures, total	-72,297.46 €	-76,470.00 €
EASM Office	-29,545.43 €	-30,900.00 €
Conferences	-7,672.88 €	-15,000.00 €
EASM Board	-27,107.98 €	-18,000.00 €
Journal ESMQ	-6,676.31 €	-3,500.00 €
Research Projects	-1,294.86 €	-9,070.00 €
Surplus/Deficit	7,797.75 €	-8,445.00 €

Appendix B: Auditor Report

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Tuesday 1st September 2020

Dear EASM Board,

It is with pleasure that we confirm the accuracy of the EASM accounts for the period ending July 2020. We would like to express our thanks to the audit office for keeping a comprehensive record of all items of income and expenditure. There was an ambitious membership plan set in the budgeting process and, while the actual revenues were lower than target, they represent a strong base on which to build throughout 2020-21.

It will be disappointing not to have achieved the budget position, however a tight rein has been kept on all items of expenditure to ensure the association is in good financial health. Clearly the budget for 2020-21 will need to be adjusted to reflect the Covid-19 pandemic and restrictions placed on a physical conference in London this year.

Let's hope for a prosperous year ahead,



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