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Comité de Liaison des Géomètres Européens

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STANDING COMMITTEE OF CLGE
Venice, Italy, 26 September 2002, 18.00 – 20.00

MINUTES

Venue	Fondazione Cini – Isola S.Giorgio Maggiore, Venice, Italy
Participants	Chairperson Henning Elmstroem (DK), Klaus Rürup (GER), Gerda Schennach (AUS), René Sonney (CH), Bernard Bour (FRA), Martin Coulson (UK), Rudolf Kolbe (AUS), Felix Peckels (LUX), Vaclav Slaboch (CZ), Otmar Schuster (GE)
Apologies	Seija Vanhanen (FIN), Stig Enemark (DK)

1. Opening

Chairperson *H. Elmstroem*, Vice-President of CLGE, welcomes the participants and checks the task list which he had circulated after the SC meeting in Helsinki in July 2002. There are still some tasks to be done, these items will be discussed in the General Assembly on Friday.

2. Minutes from Helsinki

M. Coulson refers to item 8 of the minutes where the correct term reads as: Martin Coulson *intended* to meet the new RICS President Peter Fall in London

3. Statutes and Internal Rules

Secretary-General *G. Schennach* reports about comments on circulated draft statutes of CLGE. President *K. Rürup* suggests to discuss the chairpersons and members of the break out session groups for the GA and to fix particular items to be discuss in these groups. Three major questions will have to be discussed: registration of CLGE as association, need of a Standing Committee, need of regional representatives. It is a basic decision whether CLGE should be organised in a two or three layer structure. *R. Kolbe* supports the two layer structure and regional representatives in the SC.

B. Bour gives an overview about the history of CLGE and the development of the present four layers (GA, SC, ExBo and WP chairs) out of only two groups at the beginning (ExBo and GA). All decisions should be taken within the ExBo.

The SC takes more than 1/3 of the budget and therefore his proposal is that WPs chairpersons should represent regions as well. The initial concept for regional representatives who were expected to collect regional problems and to bring them into discussion in the GA is no longer valid. In most of the GA there are no regional reports. The role of CLGE has changed more to a political one for the profession and European items

rather than one for regional issues.

M. Coulson sees a lack of definition for the role of the Vice-Presidents. He prefers that they are responsible for producing results.

H. Elmstroem as well as *S. Vanhanen* propose that delegates prepare themselves in advance of items on the agenda to get more discussions in the GA and second that CLGE should produce more papers.

4. Status of Budget

Treasurer *R. Sonney* gives an overview about the current financial situation. Reminders for fees have been sent out. UK has paid recently, Bulgaria promised to pay in November 2002. Norway has not paid yet, they will start more activities in CLGE next year after having settled the privatisation of the cadastre.

For the website € 3000,-- will be paid in 2002 and € 3000,-- in 2003. *V. Slaboch* will prepare a draft contract and send it to G. Schennach.

No comments on the presented budget for 2003. *V. Slaboch* reports about a discussion on the fees in CZ.

5. Reports of the Working Parties

F. Peckels, chairperson of the WP Quality reports about a delay in the work due to troubles caused by the new Luxembourg law on the profession. The final draft has been finished just before this SC meeting. All questionnaires are back except those from Portugal. Some are not accurate enough. Next step is the meeting with *M. Coulson* to draft the introduction.

O. Schuster, chairperson of the WP on the Market report has received more replies. Good results came from Slovakia, Belgium and other countries. He asks to provide names and addresses of university professors in all member countries who are willing to co-operate. As soon as the missing figures will be filled up the WP members will discuss the model and decide if it will have to be adapted.

6. Report about Research Grant

S. Enemark attends a meeting in Puerto Rico and could not come here. *H. Elmstroem* contacted him. He asks for clarification as the discussion on the research grant in the last GA did not show enough support and it is unclear to him whether he should start to work for the research grant. He suggests to produce a small report of 5-10 pages on the cadastral systems in our member countries. *H. Elmstroem* supports this idea. *G. Schennach* mentions that we have to investigate the existing WPLA report about cadastral systems very carefully to avoid duplication and proposes to offer an online service linked to the national institutions on cadastral items on the CLGE website. *O. Schuster* sees the main item to bring cadastre to the economy and considers the question how to improve the economy as main task for the research grant by *S. Enemark*. *M. Coulson* sees a necessity for a short political paper to influence decisionmakers. *K. Rürup* proposes to close down the topic for this research grant and to develop the idea from a more economic point of view. *H. Elmstroem* sees a need for more participants (i.e. Paddy Prendergast) to finish the paper until spring 2003.

7. Website

V. Slaboch will present the CLGE-website as it has been prepared to go online in the GA.

8. CEPLIS / GATS 2000 / GE

Reports on current status were postponed to the GA.

9. RICS

M. Coulson has no contacts to RICS at all at the moment. Items to discuss with RICS are still on stage and will be kept on agenda.

10. Directive on Mutual recognition

Discussion on status quo and further activities will be carried out in the GA.

11. Cadastre in Europe

G. Schennach reports about the Granada Congress on Cadastre in May 2002. This event, organised by the Spanish Cadastre attracted about 200 participants from all EU member countries and all major pan-European associations related to cadastre. The intention of the congress was to establish a European Permanent Cadastral Committee. Although there were a lot of objections against the proposed structure of the committee and against the idea to start with an additional organisation in Europe, the PCC was launched at the end of the congress and the proposal was included into the final paper of the Spanish EU presidency which ended in June 2002. It was decided by the hosts to proceed with a seminar in autumn in the EU/JRC in Ispra/Italy to discuss the statutes and structure of the PCC and to invite the 9 supporting countries as core members and the others as observers. Representatives of pan-European associations as EuroGeographics, WPLA, CLGE e.a. are not permitted to attend. *G. Schennach* keeps close contacts between these organisations to be informed about development and to be able to contribute by comments or statements to drafted papers on the PCC.

12. Future events

13. Any other business

Next meeting fixed on 10-11 January 2003, Innsbruck/Austria. SC will be held on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Hotel will be pre-registered. Forms will be sent out in time.

Gerda Schennach, Secretary-General of CLGE

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