

# ***European Underwater Federation***

## **Minutes of the EUF meeting, Vienna, 03/12/16**

### **Delegates**

Mark Caney	MC	PADI EMEA
Martin Denison	MD	RSTC
Deric Ellerby	DE	BSAC
Michael Frenzel	MF	CMAS EU
Sophie Heptonstall	SH	BSAC
Richard Lucas	RL	NAUI EU
Ronny Margodt	RM	BEFOS-FEBRAS
Wolfgang Mehl	WM	FIAS
Oliver Mielke	OM	RSTC
Sari Nuotio	SN	FDI
Kevin O'Shaughnessy	KO	CMAS EU
Jesper Rislov	JR	DSF
Steffen Scholz	SS	VDST
Arno Schrittwieser	AS	PDA

### **Associates**

Dror Bloch	DB	TIDF
Antero Joki	AJ	ADA International
Christian Krützfeld	CK	Actinia
Klaus Krützfeld	KK	Actinia
Boaz Mayzel	BM	TIDF
Don McGlinchey	DMc	Actinia
Guy Thomas	GT	DAN EU

### **Observers**

Anna Arzhanova	AA	CMAS
Hassan Baccouche	HB	CMAS
Peter Jonas	PJ	AS+/EUF Cert

### **Apologies**

Alexandre Belskyi	AB	NDL Russia
Yuri Belskyi	YB	NDL Russia
Liubov Erskova	LE	NDL Russia
Tago Moldau	TM	NDL Nord
Gerard Oijnhausen	GO	WOSD/IAHD
Fred Siebers	FS	WOSD/IAHD
Guido Wätzig	GW	SSI EU

## Minutes

1. The President welcomed delegates.
2. **Previous minutes** – approved with attendance/apologies corrections, no matters arising not covered on the meeting agenda.
3. **President's report** – MC reported on the Re-breather Training Council (RTC) and the anticipated publication on requirements for annual visual cylinder inspections in February 2017.
4. **RSTC EU** – OM had no new matters to report.
5. **CMAS EU** – MF reported that CMAS EU had changed its registration plans to Brussels with the assistance of RM. Other CMAS EU work centred on medical issues, young people in sport and quality control. There is a conflict issue between local legislation (French) and CMAS standards.
6. **Finance / membership** – MD reported that finances were satisfactory, Norway had paid in advance for 2017 but there had been some issues with NAUI EU and TSVO making payments to the old bank account. PDSA Malta have again not paid and their membership has been terminated.
7. **EUF Certification International** – PJ reported on progress with the sustainable practice and environmental awareness standard with further work planned for June. Revision work on existing standards is now almost complete with final vote expected in Q1 2017. DSF have been successfully re-certified, NASE EU expanded their certification to international. The Malaysian government is promoting adoption of ISO standards.
8. **Membership** – DE reported on communications with DDI (Malta) who have ceased membership, and UEF (Hungary) and UTRtek who do not meet membership criteria.
9. **EUF Lavanchy Award** – DE reported receiving valid proposals for 3 candidates. MC submitted a further proposal which the meeting deemed valid. As proposed candidates DE and DMC were invited to leave the meeting. Following discussion it was decided that DE should be the recipient of the 2016 EUF Lavanchy Award to be presented at the 2017 BOOT dive show in Dusseldorf.
10. **Spanish certification recognition** – OM/MC reported that 3000€ had been paid by EUF to ABRE in 2016 and a further 3000€ was being requested for 2017 – discussion at our June meeting. Some regional progress was noted with legal objections to the TD requirement registered in Valencia and a possible relaxation regarding shore diving.
11. **AOB** – Following discussion WM offered to examine an exchange of information on various members policy rationale. There appears to be confusion on the meaning of RAID's claim to have national accreditation – unresolved.

12. **Next meeting** – it was confirmed the next meeting will be held in London, 17/06/2017 hosted by Actinia and the following meeting is planned for 03/12/2016 in Vienna hosted by AS+.
13. **AS+, PJ and MD** were formally thanked for both organising and providing hospitality for the meeting.

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