

# EDTC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Date**: January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 **Time**: 10:00, SE

## Proposed agenda:

- 1. Welcome and opening comment by Chairman
- 2. Review and approval of previous Board meeting minutes
- 3. Actions and matters outstanding since last meeting
- 4. Economic reports
- 5. Discussion on EDTC 2018 activities workgroups
- 6. Discussion about preparing the annual meeting location
- 7. Any other business
- 8. Next meeting

#### Those present (alphabetical order)

Akin Savas Toklu Jean Lelievre Jørn Ryberg Jürg Wendling Phil Crombie

### Welcome and opening comment by Chairman

Chairman, Jørn Ryberg started the Board meeting thanking and welcoming the members. The proposed agenda was approved as above. Pasquale Longobardi couldn't participate to the board meeting

#### Review and approval of previous Board meeting minutes

Chairman asked the members if the minutes of previous meeting was approved by the participated members. The board approved the minutes of previous Board meeting without any revision.

### Actions and matters outstanding since last meeting

Jørn Ryberg asked secretary if there are outstanding matters and actions since last meeting. Secretary informed the board there was no outstanding matters, adding the information about the membership issues and next EDTC meeting will be given under the relevant item of the agenda.

#### **Economic reports**



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Jørn Ryberg mentioned about the difficulty of putting the money received from the members during the annual meeting to the account in cash, since the banks prefer the possibilities for not using the money in cash. Jürg Wendling pointed out the cost of money transfer from a country outside of EU. Jørn Ryberg noted that bank transfer should be preferred method for membership fee payments. Akin Toklu suggested to pay the cash money received form the members who have to pay membership fee during annual meeting, to the host for supporting them to organize the annual meeting. Phil Crombie suggested to open a PayPal account.

Phil Crombie reported that together with the recent annual membership payments the balance was 9.721,14 Euros on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

### Discussion on EDTC 2018 activities - workgroups

Jørn Ryberg informed the board recently he talked to Matthew Heppleston about the workshop planned during SLIC Machex Meeting in 2018. The date was suggested as 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, but the possibilities about the budged was not clear yet. Phil Crombie asked the detail about what and how EDTC would be involved in SLIC Machex Meeting. Charmain explained that an opportunity would be given to EDTC to mention about the danger of professional diving and safety precaution, to make them understand the issues in professional diving, by a 20 minutes a talk in the meeting. And he added that there would be two workshops on the day after SLIC Machex Meeting, and the members form several organizations such as SLIC, EDTC, OSHA and ISHCCO will join these workshops, as well as member from EDTC who would like to join. Jørn added that the existing EDTC documents and inventory prepared by EDTC Workgroup 1 would be a base for the workshop that will help to produce a minimum standard at the end of the day. Once the document for minimum standards is ready, it will be sent to EC to get the comments on it. Then there will be chance for a minimum standard prepared by EDTC to be used in entire Europe.

Jürg Wendling took the attention to tunneling business that is an increasing sector and uses the same physical rules as diving, and asked if EDTC should also be involved for the safety in tunnel business. Jørn Ryberg made a comment and noted that changing the scope of EDTC should be decided during the annual meeting, but asked the comments of board members. The board members are generally agreed on EDTC should also be involved in compressed air work, since there is also a kind of diving during the hyperbaric interventions.

Chairman asked Phil Crombie an update for the work of Workgroup 2. Phil summarized the status of the document for personnel competence standard and informed the board that not any comment was received from EDTC members after the annual meeting. Chairman requested him to get update from Olav Hauso who chairs the workgroup.



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### Discussion about preparing the annual meeting – location.

Akin Toklu, secretary informed the board about the correspondences done with the contact person, Dan Rican. He noted that localization was decided as Constanta, Romania. The host has given the information about the transport options, as some few flights to Constanta, bur more flight options to Bucharest from which transfer to Constanta is not problematic. He added that the venue and accommodation option were not decided yet.

### Any other business

Akin Toklu gave information about the mail received from Andrejs Cernavskis, representing industry for Latvia, in which Dr.Vitaljis Zaharovs proposed as medical member for Latvia. Board agreed on accepting Dr.Vitaljis Zaharovs as medical member. Secretary also informed the board about the request from Andrejs Cernavskis asking to represent Lithuania as well, since they became an owner of a diving company in Lithuania. The request is rejected since it is against EDTC Bylaw.

Akin Toklu informed the board also about the two letters from Romanian Navy to apply for vacant membership representing Romania for government (Bogdan Dumitrescu) and Medical (Colonel Ionel Odagiu), and also an individual letter from Ion Bogdan Cristian to apply for medical membership for Romania. The requests from Romanian Navy were accepted by the board, and secretary asked to reply them with confirmation.

Secretary also informed the board that Philip Bryson would like to share responsibilities in EDTC with Steve Foreman. The proposal was accepted by the board.

#### Next meeting

Chairman suggested organizing next meeting in first half of March 2018 and noted exact date and time to be defined later.

Report compiled by Akin S. Toklu