## **EUROPEAN OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION**

## Minutes of AGM held on Monday, June 28, 2004 INSEAD, Fontainebleau, France

Ballot papers for the Board Membership/Presidency Elections were distributed at the beginning of the meeting.

Voters selected 4 candidates from a selection of 8. All votes were collected and counted by Andy Neely.

1. Minutes of last AGM at Villa Erba, Cernobbio, Como Lake, 16th June 2003 Accepted as correct.

## 2. President's Report for 2003/2004

Prof. David Bennett congratulated the team from Como in collaboration with POMS, on a successful conference in 2003. A special issue of journals will be published. Papers are still being reviewed.

The Board aims to target new countries in which to promote EurOMA.

EurOMA, EIASM and EDEN run regular doctoral seminars.

Prof. Bennett also announced the Board's decision to experiment with a new closer relationship between the POMS and EurOMA presidents in order to improve and expand the associations. When approved by the POMS board, the presidents of each association will be ex-ofitio board members of the other association. We would experiment with this arrangement for the duration of the presidency of Prof. Ferdows of POMS.

Prof. Bennett formally introduced Audrey O'Connor as the new Executive Secretary.

**3. Presentation to former EurOMA Executive Secretary Jeanny Keiffer** Prof. Bennett made a presentation to Mrs. Jeanny Keiffer in recognition of her continuous loyalty and hard work for EurOMA. Jeanny was presented with an engraved carriage clock made in the UK.

# 4. Election of President for 2004 – 2007 & Handover of Chairmanship Due to the fact that there was only 1 candidate running for President, voting for the position of President was arranged by a show of hands. All were in favour of electing Prof. Jaume Ribera (IESE) as EurOMA president for the term 2004 - 2007.

## 5. Board Membership and Elections

For the 2nd consecutive year, elections have been held, which is encouraging, as this proves increased competition for Board Membership. A record 86 votes in total were counted.

The following candidates were elected for Board Membership (in no particular order):

Prof. Raffaella Cagliano, Politecnio di Milano (Italy)

Prof. Harry Boer, Aalborg University, (Denmark)

Prof. José Machuca, University of Sevilla (Spain)

Prof. Arnoud de Meyer, INSEAD (France)

## 6. Report on Governance Arrangements

Paul Coughlan briefly explained the new governance arrangements that have been discussed by the Board, will be approved by the Board at the October meeting and then circulated among members.

# 7. Future EurOMA Events

The 12th Annual Conference will be held in Budapest in Hungary from 19-22 June 2005. Krisztina Demeter gave a slide show presentation showing pictures of Budapest as well as the venue facilities. The conference has been organised taking into account feedback gathered from a questionnaire circulated to all EurOMA members, whose results were published in the May 2004 Newsletter.

The 13th Annual Conference will be held in Glasgow, Scotland from 18-21 June 2006. Umit S Bititci gave a slide show presentation showing pictures of Glasgow as well as the venue facilities.

Proposals for a venue for the conference to be held in 2007 are open to discussion and any suggestions from members are welcome.

## 8. IJOPM Report

Rosie Knowles from Emerald Insight introduced the 2 new editors, Margaret Webster and Andrew Taylor. In the past 2 months, 54 articles have been received.

Volume 25 is due to be published in September.

The new editors commented that the number of submissions being rejected is quite high (Between 1/3 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all submissions). Submitters are highly encouraged to read and follow instructions very carefully, which will assist in speeding up the review process.

Some new procedures have been put in place, including online submissions, and increased response time by reviewers (maximum 6 weeks).

Martin Spring, who has worked as an editor for Emerald for over 10 years is leaving Emerald and handing over the editing position to the new editors. In this time he reported that Emerald have published 120 issues covering 700 papers, with an average of 250 submissions per year.

## 9. SOCRATES THENEXOM project

José Machuca gave a slide show and outlined in detail the project, as discussed at the Board Meeting. Currently the Network consists of 27 institutions from 24 countries. The aim is to have 45-50 institutions by the end of the year.

#### **10. EurOMA Accounts**

John Christiansen reported that the EurOMA financials are in the sound state, but that the Board intends to prepare a budget in the next year.

Most income comes from Membership and the annual conference surplus.

There are large variations in costs and surpluses between conferences.

Main expenditure goes to the IJOPM, EIASM contribution, Newsletter printing costs, the Socrates grant and the Doctoral Consortium.

## 11. EurOMA membership report

Prof. Jaume Ribera reported that EurOMA is, and will become, more process orientated. He gave his thanks to the INSEAD team, the election candidates, the AGM attendees, as well as Prof. David Bennett and Prof. Chris Voss for all their hard work and dedication to EurOMA.

#### **12. Date of next AGM**

To be held at the 12th Annual Conference in Budapest on Monday 20th June 2005 at 6pm.