

## Minutes of the DYMAT Association General Assembly held at the Konzerthaus, Freiburg, Germany, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012

### 1. President's report

Opening the General Assembly, Hervé Couque first thanked Stefan Hiermaier for the organisation of the 10<sup>th</sup> International Congress, which continues the excellence of the tradition of the DYMAT International Congresses. There was acclamation by applause from the Assembly. Hervé Couque said this was his last engagement as president.

Since Brussels 2009, DYMAT has initiated DYMAT Student Camps for PhD students, with two student camps at Guétary in 2009 (16 students) and Tampere in 2012 (12 students). DYMAT activities have also included two Technical Meetings at Strasbourg (60 participants) and Paris (65 participants and keynote lectures). At the student camps, students were asked to give 45 minute presentations, providing them with a unique opportunity for exchanges on all the scientific aspects of their work. Both camps were a great success. Their presentations are on the DYMAT website.

The theme of the Strasbourg Technical Meeting was polymers and composites. 6 papers were selected for publication in a peer-reviewed journal. The theme of the Paris Technical Meeting (held at the Assemblée Nationale) was nanomaterials and metallic glasses. The meeting (jointly organized with the Société Française de Mécanique et Métallurgie) included 5 plenary lectures, two of which were given by French Academicians.

For the first time, the 2012 DYMAT Congress offered two ways of publishing contributions: a conference proceedings and a themed issue of *EPJ Special Topics*. DYMAT will work with its members to continue and to improve the methods of publication.

Financial support was given to events related to the dynamic behaviour of materials such as Mecadymat workshops, a high speed imaging meeting in the UK, LWAG workshops in Spain and Israel, the congress PROTECH at Lugano, a meeting on the role of structures on merging material properties (held in New York), and a meeting on New Models in Hydrodynamics held in London.

Future DYMAT events: in 2013 there will be a Technical Meeting in London jointly organised with the Institute of Physics on high speed imaging. In 2014 there will be a meeting in Cambridge to celebrate the centenary of the famous Hopkinson paper. This will be jointly organised with the BSSM.

The 2015 International Congress will be held in Lugano, Switzerland and will be organised by Ezio Cadoni.

Selected slides from the President's presentation may be found in Appendix 1. The aim of the Governing Board is to improve the image of the Association and to improve communication about its activities. DYMAT succeeds in this as we now have 220 members. Hervé Couque thanked the members of the Governing

Board for their help during the last three years. Hervé Couque then asked for questions and comments.

Fabrice Pierron asked whether the membership numbers were stable. Hervé Couque said the membership increases at International Congresses and then declines to a sound number of 175.

## **2. Vote to accept the President's report**

The President's report was accepted by the Assembly with no objections.

## **3. Treasurer's report**

Eric Buzaud said he was presenting on behalf of Fabrice Llorca. Each year the budget is analysed on July 26. This year Gilles Roy and Emmanuel Fraizier inspected the accounts. The details may be found in Appendix 2. Membership fees are slightly decreasing due to most people taking out three year subscriptions rather than one year. The financial resources of the Association increased by 2393€ in 2011-12. The present balance is around 150 k€. The accounts of the 2011 Technical Meeting should balance after support from Nexter is received. There has been an increase in support to relevant scientific meetings to over 4k€ *per annum*. The Governing Board intends that the financial resources of the Association do not fall below 150 k€. A three year sliding budget (the usual length of time a president is elected for) will be adhered to. The aim is to spend no more than 45 k€ over three years.

## **4. Vote to accept the Treasurer's report**

The Treasurer's report was accepted by the Assembly with no objections.

## **6. Election of the Board**

There were 9 candidates for the 8 vacant places. Ramon Zaera has decided to resign for health reasons. Hervé Couque thanked Ramon Zaera for his involvement in the Governing Board for the last eight years.

The Assembly then voted. Sidney Chocron and Reinhardt Tham acted as tellers. 76 valid ballot papers (including proxies) were received.

The candidates received the following number of votes:

Nadia BAHLOULI (76), Hervé COUQUE (69), Bradley DODD (30), Daniel EAKINS (74), Pascal FORQUIN (66), Francisco GALVEZ (75), Veli-Tapani KUOKKALA (76), Magnus LANGSETH (76), Fabrice LLORCA (61).

The composition of the Board for 2012-2013 is therefore as follows:

Nadia BAHLOULI (France), Eric BUZAUD (France), Ezio CADONI (Italy), José CIRNE (Portugal), Hervé COUQUE (France), Daniel EAKINS (UK), Pascal FORQUIN (France), Francisco GALVEZ (Spain), Stefan HIERMAIER (Germany), Leopold KRUSZKA (Poland), Veli-Tapani KUOKKALA (Finland), Magnus LANGSETH (Norway), Fabrice LLORCA (France), Eric MARKIEWICZ (France), Philippe VIOT (France), Stephen WALLEY (UK)

While the votes were being counted, Ezio Cadoni made a presentation about DYMAT 2015.

## **Appendix 1**

**Selected slides from the President's Report presented to  
the General Assembly, September 6, 2012**

**Appendix 2**  
**DYMAT Treasurer's Report presented to the General Assembly**  
**September 6, 2012**

<b>DYMAT 2012</b>	
International DYMAT Conference, Freiburg, 2012	
TREASURER REPORT	FINANCIAL STATUS
27/07/2011 to 26/07/2012	
	Euros
<b>Remainder on 27/07/12</b>	<b>18726,52</b>
<b>INCOMES</b>	
Membership fees	3 494
19th Technical Meeting DYMAT10	0
20th Technical Meeting DYMAT11	14 517
Matériaux 2010	2 486
Bank interest	88
Sales (recomandations, proceedings)	469
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>21 055</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
GAF - DYMAT Support (organisation of meetings in the field of dyn. behavior of materials)	-4 599
19th Technical Meeting DYMAT10	-12 990
20th Technical Meeting DYMAT11	-13 584
DYMAT2012 International Conference	
Organisation costs (Gov. Board, travel...)	-5 235
Fees to association (AFM)	-550
Miscellaneous (Post, Bank costs, internet, material...)	-240
Insurance (GMF)	-190
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>-37 388</b>
<b>INCOMES-EXPENSES</b>	
<b>BALANCE:(remainder2010+income-expense)</b>	<b>2 393</b>
<b>CURRENT ACCOUNT</b>	
Check Account on 26/07/2012	1 288
Saving Account on 26/07/2012	219
Cash on 26/07/2012	257
Paypal account	629
<b>TOTAL: (CC+CE+cash+Inv.)</b>	<b>2 393</b>
<b>Investments (FCP:Tresor+Oblig.)</b>	<b>148 145</b>
<b>Total Avoirs</b>	<b>150 538</b>