

### **Press Report on 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of Board of Directors**

The 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the EFNDT Board of Directors was held in conjunction with the 4<sup>th</sup> International NDT Conference of the Hellenic Society of NDT in Chania, Crete on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2007.

Seven members of the Board were present - Professor Krstelj, Mr Aufricht, Dr Link, Mr Zeelenberg, Mr Hennaut and Mr Woodridge. The meeting was chaired by the President of EFNDT, Dr Mike Farley. John Thompson and David Gilbert were present representing the Secretariat.

The Hellenic Society, whose President, Professor Ioannis Prassianakis, welcomed the members, provided a very attractive room for the meeting with an excellent view over the Venetian harbour of Chania - which compensated the Board Members a little for being hard at work from 09:00 until 17:00 on a beautiful autumn Saturday.

The members heard from the Treasurer that most fees for 2007 have been paid and reviewed the accounts for the year and approved a budget for 2008.

To meet Belgian rules for reporting of accounts, it will be necessary to move the General Assembly from its traditional autumn date to February. This will take place from February 2009.

A membership application has been received from RELACRE in Portugal and was approved for Associate Membership. Full membership will be possible when the planned national NDT Society is formed. Discussions have begun with the fledgling Turkish NDT Society, which is being encouraged to apply for membership.

Stefan Cullmann of DGZfP presented his work to upgrade the EFNDT website structure. A programme of work will now be organised to improve the content. Member Societies of EFNDT are encouraged:

- (i) to input event details into the NDT Calendar, to help planning and avoidance of clashes;
- (ii) to input details of NDT books to the NDT bibliography.

It was decided to develop a quarterly EFNDT European Newsletter to complement the website and the ICNDT Journal.

John Thompson will seek views of the Membership on a possible meeting of the Forum on Certification, Qualification and Accreditation.

The Board asked the CEC to develop a "Strategic Plan" to address the issues raised during the Berlin Certification Conference and the BOD/CEC dinner.

Good progress is now being made on the European NDT Quality Guidelines document and a group was nominated to review the document on behalf of the EFNDT Board before it is published.

Progress is being made on the survey of NDT education in Universities and Colleges. To date, Professor Krstelj has received 29 questionnaire responses from 7 countries.

The Board congratulated John Thompson on his work in support of the National Aerospace NDT Boards Forum and agreed that EFNDT would continue to provide the Secretariat and Website.

The Board agreed to offer to organise the update of the ICNDT Guidelines on Personnel Certification to ISO 9712.

Useful discussions were held with the President of the Hellenic Society (Professor I N Prassianakis) and the President of the Romanian Society (Dr R Grimberg).



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