Minutes of the ESC ExeCom meeting at IASPEI 2013 (including few later updates)
Gothenburg, 25 July 2013, 18:15

Attending: Atilla Ansal (AA), Pierre-Yves Bard (PB), Mariano Garcia-Fernandez (MG), Stefano Solarino (SS), Alexey Zavyalov (AZ)

Apologies: Rémy Bossu (RB), Rajender K. Chadha (RC), Bernard Dost (BD), Constantin Ionescu (CI), Steinunn Jakobsdottir (SJ), Murat Nurlu (MN), Stefano Parolai (SP), Peter Suhadolc (PS)

Preliminary agenda

1. Meeting with the LOC of the ECEES2014, Istanbul
2. Keynote Lectures at ECEES2014: ESC (4); ESC-EAEE (5)
3. Call for ESC2014 sessions. Including:
   - joint ESC-EAEE
   - joint ESC-SSA
   - WG-specific workshops?
4. Call for joint SSA-ESC session at SSA2014
5. ESC Working Groups
6. Titular Members
7. Miscellanea (ESC2016?, …)

1. Meeting with the LOC of the ECEES2014, Istanbul, 20 June 2013

AA made a summary of the meeting, presenting the minutes he just received. He will send the minutes to the ESC ExeCom (a copy, attached, gives more details of that meeting). Basic ESC requirements, as specified in the GA Guidelines, were presented, as well as an overview of the 1st ECEES programme and meetings. Main deadlines, registration fees, YSTC, session’s organization and administrative meetings were discussed and agreed.

The main immediate issues on the organization are, a) Selection of Keynote Lectures (KL); b) Call for Sessions.

Next ESC-LOC joint meeting is scheduled in May 2014.

2. Keynote Lectures at ECEES2014: ESC (4 KL); ESC-EAEE (5 KL)

Four ESC-only Keynote lectures and five joint ESC-EAEE should be selected.

Besides the preliminary list sent by SP (table below), new suggestions were proposed and/or received, which are mostly related to the topic and not specifically with the lecturer:

  a) ‘Seismicity and Seismology in Turkey’. This should correspond to a fixed KL at every ESC GA, devoted to seismology in the country organizing the meeting, as proposed by MG. All agreed. AA suggested Mustafa Erdik as lecturer, and proposed it as one of the joint ESC-EAEE KL, extending the topic to Engineering Seismology.
  b) The suggestion of Dario Albarello referred to a ESC-KL on e.g. ‘Communicating uncertainty and the role and responsibilities of scientists’. Most of the people considered it too specific for a KL.
  c) Because at present most of the seismological data is analysed fully digital (e.g. data directly from internet databases plus digital signal analysis), it could happen that missing specific instrumental/environmental conditions and/or parameters could bring to ‘wrong’ results. MG and SP suggested a ESC-KL on e.g. ‘From analogue to digital Seismology: Data acquisition, processing and analysis’, to have an overview on seismological data and analysis, given by e.g. Johannes Schweitzer. SJ suggested also Erhard Wielandt.
  d) MG was meeting SJ in Iceland. She suggested as additional topics: ‘Induced Seismicity’, and ‘Earthquake Prediction Research. Useful warnings’
e) EAEE proposed Mauro Dolce as one of the joint ESC-EAEE KLS. All agreed.

Additionally, MG proposed to have a second fixed KL at every ESC GA called ‘Inge Lehmann Lecture’, trying to have always a woman seismologist as lecturer. All agreed. AA proposed to have it as joint ESC-EAEE KL in 2014. Preliminary suggestions include: Steinunn Jakobsdottir, Anne Deschamps, Shamita Das, ...

AA informed about the 30 min Theme Lectures EAEE uses to have at the beginning of each EAEE session. In the preliminary programme schedule time is allocated for similar ESC lectures if needed. General opinion was to leave to the ESC session chairpersons to decide if they want to have it, selecting the lecturer.

In summary, the ESC ExeCom should select four (4) ESC-only KLS and two (2) joint ESC-EAEE KL for the 2nd ECEES (the Inge Lehmann Lecture is one of them). The fifth joint KL corresponds to the Nicholas Ambraseys Lecture Award, to be selected by the Awards Committee, where one member of the ESC ExeCom is included (EAEE Guidelines are attached).

3. Call for ESC2014 sessions. Including: joint ESC-EAEE, joint ESC-SSA, WG-specific workshops

ESC should organize the Call for ESC sessions at the 2nd ECEES, including a joint ESC-EAEE and a joint ESC-SSA. AZ proposed to recommend and encourage WG chairpersons to organize specific sessions or workshops on those topics handle by the WG. That way, they can show their work progress. All agree. A Call will be prepared and distributed with deadline 1 December 2013.

4. Call for joint SSA-ESC session at SSA2014
MG informed about it, because deadline is 1 October 2013. Later, MG realized that the joint SSA-ESC session is only taking place at odd years, when ESC GA is not organized.

5. ESC Working Groups

Active Working Groups are the following (list updated by MG):

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<td>The history of the ESC</td>
<td>Alice Walker</td>
<td><a href="mailto:alice.walker@geo.org">alice.walker@geo.org</a></td>
<td>Extension to 2014; New chair: Alice Walker</td>
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<td>02-07</td>
<td>Seismic phenomena associated with volcanic activity</td>
<td>Jurgen Neuberg</td>
<td><a href="mailto:j.neuberg@neuberg-soz.de">j.neuberg@neuberg-soz.de</a></td>
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<td>Archive of historical earthquake data for the European-Mediterranean area</td>
<td>Andrea Rovida</td>
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<td>Macrotectonic field work practices (ESC-EAEE)</td>
<td>Ina Cecic</td>
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<td>Methods and Data for the Study of Earthquakes Recorded on Pre-WWSSN Seismograms</td>
<td>Graziano Ferranti</td>
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<td>Internet seismology</td>
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<td>Theory of seismic wave propagation</td>
<td>Peter Malischewsky</td>
<td><a href="mailto:p.malischewsky@uni-av.it">p.malischewsky@uni-av.it</a></td>
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<td>Earthquake physics: Field observations, experimental and numerical modelling and comprehensive analysis</td>
<td>Alexey Lyuboshin</td>
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MG has also updated the distribution of WGs among the three ExeCom members taking care of them. PB ‘lost’ two of the joint ESC-EAEE WGs that were dissolved, so MG assigned him the new 03-12, hopping that he agrees.

WG 02-07 (chair: Jurgen Neuberg) term was temporally extended to 2014 by the ExeCom at ESC2012 because they used to be active, despite the lack of news and reporting in 2012. PB should contact Jurgen to confirm if they want the extension, and ask him for a written extension proposal to the Secretary General, which has to be approved by the ExeCom.

WG 01-10 (chair: Peter Malischewsky) did not report on the new chairperson. CI should contact Peter asking for the new chairperson, and contact her/him to follow their progress.

MG/SP will send an official letter confirming the new and renewed WGs.

6. Titular Members

MG informed about the new country member, Azerbaijan, with Titular Member Dr. Gurban Yetirmishli, General Director RSSC of ANAS. MG will send an official letter of confirmation to the IUGG National Committee of Azerbaijan.

SP will contact National IUGG/IASPEI Committees from those TM, whose mandate ended in 2012 or earlier. They should send an official letter to confirm the TM or nominating a new one.

7. Miscellanea (ESC2016, …)

AZ suggested starting a preliminary survey to check possible locations for the ESC2016 GA. He proposed to start by the countries that never hold it. SP will take care of the mailing.

During the meeting of the WG ‘The history of the ESC’ (25 July) MG received a request on the possibility to moving the existing material from the BGS site to the ESC server, because it will be difficult to keep and maintain it and the BGS site. Mario Locati from INGV will take care of the moving and the maintenance. MG will ask SJ about it.