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Annual Meeting of the ECA Council Jeju Island, Carbon 29/06 –04/07, 2014

The meeting was held on July 1st, 2014, in Jeju, Korea

1. Welcome address

Elzbieta Frackowiak (EF), chairman of the ECA, welcomed the representatives of each European Carbon Group present during Carbon 2014:

- Malcolm Heggie, Tony Wickham (United Kingdom)
- Diego Cazorla Amoros, Tomás Cordero (Spain)
- Wilhelm Frohs, Wolfgang Klose (Germany)
- Rolland Pelleng, Marc Monthioux (France)
- Elzbieta Frackowiak, François Béguin (Poland)

The Ukrainian Carbon Group representatives were absent from the meeting. EF read an e-mail message from Mykola Kartel explaining his absence. The committee expressed sympathy with his plight and wished him and his group a safe deliverance through the conflict.

The agenda of the meeting was presented and accepted by the participants. Afterwards, the representatives of each Carbon Group made a short introduction of themselves with a description of the Executive Board composition in each country. A quick overview of changes in national groups was also presented.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2013 ECA Council Meeting in Rio de Janeiro on 16th July, 2013

The Minutes of the 2013 ECA Council Meeting in Rio de Janeiro were sent to the national representatives by e-mail and approved by participants of Council Meeting in Jeju, Korea.

It was noted that the Kazakh and the Turkish Carbon Groups, who initially applied to join the ECA, have instead joined the Asian Carbon Association.

3. Organisation of the European edition of the World Carbon conference (Dresden, Germany)

Participants discussed issues concerning the next Carbon Conference held in Dresden,















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Germany (12-16 July, 2015). Organizers are planning 4 parallel sessions without keynote lectures that was accepted without a full agreement. It was mentioned that some carbon related topics are not mentioned, however, the organizer (WF) reassured that all carbon topics will be considered ("no-one will be excluded").

The issue of great concern was the conference fee, which seemed to be too high for some potential participants. The duration of conference was discussed also.

It is planned by organizers that Friday 17th July will be a so called "Scientific Day" devoted to visiting university/industry institutions in Dresden to develop eventual cooperation. Organizers are expecting strong participation from industry.

Finally, the committee talked about engagement with industrial partners in the next Carbon Conference in Penn State 2016 and its impact on the scientific level. The organizers have proposed to bring the novel carbon community.

- 4. ECA website: Participants discussed ideas regarding the ECA website, including photogallery, which could be updated with photos from Nakayama. The participants agreed that website needs to be still developed and they discussed issues regarding national carbon group websites. It has been suggested that the British Carbon Group website is to be updated. The website of French Carbon Group is not being updated on a regular basis. Participants agreed that websites must be updated regularly and available in English. The German Carbon Group claimed the ongoing work on the website including its English version. The Polish Carbon Group website must be updated, but its English version is available. Participants discussed the Ukrainian Carbon Group, which is not being updated and is not available in English. All of the participants agreed that UCG website needs a lot of improvement to be convenient for users and hope that this can happen when the political situation allows.
- 5. ECA Award rules: Participants discussed the issues concerning ECA Award and Kelly Award. 15th of March was pointed out as a deadline for application on nominations, which should be sent to ECA chair.
- 6. Information on the activity: Participants agreed that the most convenient way to sum up the activity is to send a summary of each group activity to ECA Chair.















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The French Carbon Group (GFEC) - events organized/supported: 2013 - 2014

- Annual Scientific Meeting of GFEC (13-16 May 2013) Grenoble-Voreppe (France), http://conference.digital-consult.com/GFEC2013
- France-Brazil Joint Colloquium on Carbon Materials (12-13 July 2013), Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) vinhola@lcts.u-bordeaux1.fr
- EUROMAT2013 (8-13 September 2013) Séville (Espagne) supported by GFEC, Symposium A3-I : Carbon-containing Composites and Materials, Symposium A3-II : Carbon Nanotubes and Graphene, http://euromat2013.fems.eu/welcome.html
- HeteroNanoCarb (22-27 September 2013) Castelldefels/Barcelone supported by GFEC, Advances and applications in carbon related nanomaterials: From pure to doping including heteroatom layers, arenal@unizar.es

The German Carbon Group (AKK) - events organized: 2013 - 2014

- Spring Meeting (20 March 2013) "Carbon Materials Ceramics" Bauhaus University, Weimar
- Fall Meeting 2013 (16 October 2013), 2nd German-Polish Symposium "Carbon Materials for Metal Production Tradition and Progress", Technical Universität Bergakademie Freiberg

The British Carbon Group (BCG) - events organized: 2013-2014

- NanoteC13 held at University of Surrey (28 30 August 2013) www.britishcarbon.org/nanotec
- AGM 2013 and Half-Day event on 'Sustainable Carbon Management' Imperial College, 6th November, the 6th Ubbelohde lecture by Prof F. Rodriguez Reinoso (http://www.britishcarbon.org/Sustainable carbon management 2013.pdf)
- Half Day meeting on Graphene at Manchester University 18th December 2013.















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• The BCG May Day Graphene and AGM (1 May 2014) RSC Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, UK

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- 4th EdF Energy Generation Ltd Nuclear Graphite Conference (6-9 May 2014) The National College, Nottingham, UK
- Carbon in Electrochemistry (28-30 July 2014) Sheffield, UK
- NanoteC14 (20-23 August 2014) Hotel Le Plaza, Brussels, Belgium
- New Advances in Carbon Nanomaterials (1 3 September 2014)
 London, UK
- BCG/RSC Nanostructures Awards Meeting (31 October 2014) RSC Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, UK

The Spanish Carbon Group (GEC) – events organized: 2013 - 2014

- Course: Advanced Technologies for the Generation of Clean Energy (June 12-14, 2013) Zaragoza. Audience: Master and PhD students
- XII Spanish Carbon Group Meeting (October 20-23, 2013, Madrid); Every two years the *Spanish Carbon Group* organizes a three day conference, where most of the carbon research groups participate and present their results in several oral and poster sessions. Besides, in this conference an Award is given to the best PhD Thesis done by young researchers members of the *Spanish Carbon Group*. Moreover, on this occasion the election of Vice Chair, Secretary and other three members of the Executive Board took place.
- 10th International Symposium on the Characterization of Porous Solids (11-14 May 2014) Granada, Spain

The Polish Carbon Group (PCS) - events organized/supported: 2013 - 2014

- The PCS Annual meeting (19-20 September 2013), Racibórz, Poland; The 25 year anniversary of the PCS was celebrated during this meeting and the election of the new executive Board (chair and vice Chairs) took place at this occasion.
- Fall Meeting 2013 (16 October), 2nd German-Polish Symposium "Carbon Materials for Metal Production, Tradition and Progress",















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- 8th Scientific and Technical Conference, Carbon Materials and Polymer Composites (12-15 November 2013), Ustroń, Poland
- IX Torun Carbon Symposium (14-18 September 2014) Torun, Poland

The Ukrainian Carbon Group (AKY) – events organized/supported: 2013 - 2014

- Chemistry, Physics and Technology of Surface (15-17 May 2013), Kiev, Ukraine
- 2nd Ukrainian-French School-Seminar "Carbon Nanomaterials: Structure and Properties" (16-20, September, 2013) Beregove, Crimea, Ukraine











