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Annual Meeting of the ECA Council Telcon September 19, 2017, 14.00 CEST

1. Welcome address

Wilhelm Frohs, chairman of the ECA, welcomed the representatives of each European Carbon Group:

Malcolm Heggie (United Kingdom)
Maria Jesús Lázaro (Spain)
Wolfgang Klose, Marcus Franz (Germany)
Roland Pellenq (France)
Elzbieta Frackowiak (Poland)
José Luís Figueiredo (Portugal)

The Ukrainian Carbon Group representative; Mykola Kartel, had excused his absence with technical problems.

1. Agenda

The proposed agenda of the meeting was accepted.

1. Welcome Address
2. Approval of the Minutes, State College July 12. 2016
3. Carbon Conferences
 - a. Australia, Melbourne 2017
 - b. Spain, Madrid, 2018
 - c. UK, London, 2021
4. Organisational Affairs
5. ECA Award 2018
6. Kroto Medal & Fund
7. National Group Activities
8. Other items

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2016 ECA Council Meeting in State College, USA, July 12. 2016

The Minutes of the 2016 ECA Council Meeting in State College, USA were sent to the national representatives by e-mail and finally approved by the participants of this Telcon.





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3. Carbon Conferences

Melbourne; Australia 2017

The conference attracted 400 participants. Most of the participants had been from Asia, particularly from China. A special session was dedicated to Mildred Dresselhaus who passed away already in February 2017.

The Carbon 2017 Conference was part of a big Conference about Chemistry.

Carbon Conference 2018

The next World Carbon conference taking place in Europe (2018) will be organized in Madrid, Spain July 1st – 6th. Information was given by the Spanish leader of the carbon group, Mrs. Maria Jesús Lázaro. The meeting will take place at the Conference Center; Marriot Auditorium with a capacity for more than 1000 persons. The conference fee will be around 750 € and 400 € for students. People complain about the location outside of Madrid. However, the center of Madrid can easily be reached by public transportation and the election of this place allows the Spanish Carbon Group to fix a more than reasonable registration fee. The Spanish Carbon Group is approaching potential sponsors. Three satellite workshops will be organized around the conference. One by the French Carbon Group, another one by the Spanish Carbon Group and a third one by IMDEA materials and the Spanish Carbon Group.

Carbon Conference 2021

The conference will be taking place in London, UK at the Imperial College. The Great Hall has a max. capacity of 750 participants. The scheduled conference fee will be at about 750 €. Discounts will be given for students and retirees. The organization of the conference is in progress.

4. Organisational Affairs

The German Carbon Group has elected a new board during the spring meeting in Koblenz, April 21. 2017. The new board will take over the responsibility by January 1st 2018. Members of the new board will be:

Prof. Bastian Etzold, Technical University of Darmstadt
Prof. Joachim Metz, University of Applied Science Mittelhessen
Dr. Arndt-Peter Schinkel, Orion Engineered Carbons GmbH, Cologne
Dr. Marcus Franz, SGL Carbon GmbH, Meitingen
Dr. Günter Rinn, Schunk Kohlenstofftechnik GmbH, Heuchelheim





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Due to these personal changes, it was commonly decided to transfer the ECA lead already with the beginning of 2018 to the leader of the Spanish Carbon Group.

The Board of the Portuguese Carbon Group was elected last year for the period 2017-2018, as follows: José Luís Figueiredo (President), Peter Carrott (Vice-President) and Manuel Fernando Pereira (Member).

5. ECA Award 2018

Due to the personal changes described above the organization of the ECA Award 2018 will be in the responsibility of the Spanish Carbon Group. The ECA rules will be provided by the Polish Carbon Group. The amount of the prize will be 1200 € to be paid by France, Germany, Portugal, United Kingdom, Poland and Spain (200 €). The deadline for the submission of awardees to the Spanish group will be April 30 2018.

6. Kroto Medal & Fund

Malcolm Heggie had submitted this purpose to the Royal Academy in London. However, a feedback is pending. The ACS is looking for progress in this regard. For the ECA it is not clear how to support the Kroto Medal and Fund. A particular “Kroto feed” is not included in the conference fee of the Carbon 2018. To gain more clarity Malcolm Heggie will distribute the Kroto Medal rules. Subsequent the ECA will decide about further actions via a phone conference.

7. National Group Activities 2017

The Francophone Carbon Society (SFEC) events organized in 2017, a very productive year...

- 2017 Francophone Carbon Conference; Oléron Island, 20-23 Mai 2017.
- SFEC Young researcher award: 2 laureates : Philippe Beppette (CRPP, Bordeaux, Andrea Cepellotti, EPFL, Lausanne).
- Graphene and startup companies in France co-organised by the International Research CNRS Network « Graphene and nanotubes » and SFEC within the frame of the European Cluster Eureka and the EU Graphene Flagship, Jan 25th 2017, CNRS head quarter, 3 rue Michel Ange, 75016 Paris.
- 3rd edition of the summer school « Raman Spectroscopy Raman of carbon nanostructures»: June 12-16 2017.
- 1st edition of the « European conference on chemistry of two-dimensional materials » (Chem2DMat): Strasbourg, August 22-26 2017.
- CESEP 2017 (Carbon for Energy Storage and Environmental Protection) 23-26 October 2017 in Lyon.
- Franco-Japanese Workshop : Lyon October 27th 2017.





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- HeteroNanoCarb-2017: Advances and applications in carbon related nanomaterials : from pure to doped structures including heteroatom layers” : Benasque (Aragon, Spain), December 11-15 2017.

The German Carbon Group (AKK) - events organized /planned, 2017

- Spring Meeting, April 21. 2016 in Koblenz, sponsored by Orion Engineered Carbons GmbH, „Morphologie und Oberflächeneigenschaften von Kohlenstoffmaterialien– Auswirkung auf Eigenschaften und Anwendungen
- Fall Meeting, 6th German-Japanese Symposium on Carbon Materials, Electro-Communication University, Osaka, Japan, November 10th 2017

The British Carbon Group (BCG) - events organized, planned, 2017

- NanoteC17 Carbon Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, Nantes, France, 30 August - 2 September 2017

The Spanish Carbon Group (GEC) – events organized, planned 2017

- 25th Anniversary of Spanish Carbon Group 14-16th September 2016, Zaragoza
- XIV Meeting of the Spanish Carbon Group, 22-26th October 2017, Málaga

The Polish Carbon Society (PCS) - events organized, planned 2017

- X Scientific - Technical Conference, Carbon Materials and Polymer Composites, Ustroń-Jaszowiec, 4 - 7 April, 2017.
- 10th Torunian Carbon Symposium: New trends in carbon materials science and technology, Toruń, 6 October, 2017.
A new Board of PCS will be elected during a General Assembly.

The Portuguese Carbon Group events organized, planned 2017

- 1st Meeting of the Portuguese Carbon Group (C@SPQ), 12 - 13 June, 2017, Porto.
- The Portuguese Carbon Group will organize CarboCat-viii, in Porto (June 26-29, 2018).





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The Ukraine Carbon Group

- Ukrainian Conference with International participation “**Chemistry, Physics and Technology of Surface**“ and Workshop *Nanostructured Biocompatible / Bioactive Materials* (FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IRSES-GA-2013-612484), 24-25 May, 2017, Kyiv.

