

**FSUE Bureau Meeting in Visby, Gotland, Sweden,
13th August 2007
(Baltic Speleological Congress)**

Present:

Juan Carlos Lopez, ES (President) Ged Campion GB (Vice President), Olivier Vidal, FR (Secretary), Jean-Claude Thies, LU (Treasurer), Antonio Gutierrez–Gamero, ES(interpreter)
Fanis Ellinas, GR

Apologies:

Bernard Thomachot, FR (webmaster)

Annex : Finance sheet, GAM agenda.

1. Status of Reports

- GC to forward completed Letmathe report to OV
- Public meeting report from Letmathe to be completed by JCT
- Next reports sent to the delegates by electronic means (no longer send bureau reports by paper)
- 1st report from Visby – written by GC
- GAM report _ written by OV
- 2nd Visby – written by JCT
- Public report from Visby – written by JCT to be broadcasted
- Reports from 1990-1995 : JCT will scan them to publish them on the website

- 2 Political Balance (FSUE/FEALC/UIS)** relating to Puerto Rico Report (UIS Bureau meeting) JCL was present in the Caribbean at the time and was able to attend Puerto Rico venue. He attended the UIS bureau meeting as rep of FSUE. He felt that he was treated well as a person but not as the FSUE rep. JCL made a considerable effort to be present but was not invited to speak. JCL (and other bureau members) will attempt to canvass Andy Eavis on these points.

Actions:

OV to write letter to UIS reflecting FSUE's concern about a further UIS meeting not being held in Europe. Possibly incorporating comments about JCL attendance at Puerto Rico.

- JCL to write to FEALC thanking them for invite and general hospitality.
- FSUE Bureau to draft memo understanding that will help to promote//reflect mutual respect between UIS and FSUE
- FSUE never/rarely receive UIS e-mails. OV to draft letter in September drawing attention to this.

- 3. Membership status.** 13 countries have paid the 2006-2007 subscription Austria will decide in November whether they re-join the FSUE Belgium has send in a request for an amended rate.. (GAM to make decision). Czech Republic not members, Denmark not paid, Estonia, Malta, Finland and Cyprus still have no organisation. France, GB, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg,

Romania, Spain, Sweden have paid. Bulgaria Lithuania and Romania have paid full membership, Holland will decide after the GAM. Poland will decide in November, Portugal no news (see below), Slovakia and Slovenia not paid. Waiting for answers. 13 countries representing 31.000 members are regarded as Full member

Formal Request for Austria to re-enter

Action: JCT to send an e-mail before their decision in November. JCT and OV will see them at their GAM on November at Untertage.

Portugal Situation – OV has written, telephoned Manuel and has been told an agreement is on its way. However, Portugal has provided no answer and no fees have been paid for 3 years.

Action: JCL to contact Portugal.

4. Present delegates & Proxies;

Tomorrow there will be a quorum of 7

Bulgaria's proxy will be OV. Italy's proxy will be JCL,. Lithuania's proxy will be JCT. Belgian proxy will be GC, Denmark proxy will be Thomaz Gustafsson (validation of the Danish vote to be confirmed).

Luxembourg, Romania, GB, Hungary, Greece, Germany, France, Spain and Sweden present.

Ireland - *no proxy*

12 over quorum for tomorrow. 14 if Denmark and Belgium are accepted.

5. Public meeting, Environmental FSUE recommendation & grants (type ESP but only one country).

Jean–Marc Mattlet has made a proposal for cave protection. Spain has agreed. GC to contact Kostas in Greece and work on award/grant scheme. However, cave protection debate to be opened up to Public Meeting. Ask who would like to be involved, GC to canvass idea of prize/award at meeting. Also the topic of “Tourists guiding” to be introduced & discussed by Michael Laumans at public meeting. Possibly some guidelines will be produced. Environmental/tourist caving to feature strongly at Vercors 08.

6. Public Meeting Agenda. (As above)

Welcome (JCL), Presentation ESP, Agenda

Protection Commission (GC)

Tourist Guiding (Michael Laumans)

Vercors 2008 (OV)

7. **Financial balance.** Outgoings: internet, stamps, EuroSpeleo Forum, meeting expenses, printed material (See attached agenda from JCT.)
8. **Projections for Budget for 2007/8 & 2008/9.**
See FSUE finance, Action JCT to give report to delegates.

Budget Plan 2006 - 2007 in progress

Portugal 6th Expedition Meeting	500
Stamps, office	200
Copies	50
EuroSpeleo Newsletter	600
EuroSpeleo Projects	1500
Commercial items	500
EuroSpeleo Forum 2006 (Sevilla)	500
EuroSpeleo Forum 2007 (BSC Visby)	500
4th European Congress (Vercors 2008)	500
<u>Total</u>	<u>4850</u>

Budget Plan 2007 - 2008 pending proposal

EuroSpeleo Forum 2008 (Vercors 2008)	500
EuroSpeleo Projects	2000
Meetings	200
Stamps, Office, Copies	400
EuroSpeleo Newsletter	600
Commercial items (stickers)	500
Internet	100
<u>Total</u>	<u>4300</u>

Budget Plan 2008 - 2009 pending proposal

EuroSpeleo Forum 2009	500
EuroSpeleo Projects	2000
Meetings	200
Stamps, Office, Copies	400
EuroSpeleo Newsletter	600
Commercial items (stickers)	500
Internet	100
15th ICS presence, stand	100
<u>Total</u>	<u>4400</u>

9. **GAM agenda**

See attached agenda.

- Original code of ethics has changed but FSUE decision to endorse UIS code of ethics, acknowledging that it may change as it is developed further. Unless there are specific points that the FSUE cannot agree with it should continue to be a dynamic document.
- FEALC agreement will be put to GAM. However, there may be changes but they can be amended as necessary with consultation.
- OV has prepared introductory script for bureau members to read relating

to the annual report to the GAM. This has been carefully crafted so each member of bureau can be included.

- FSUE objectives – gathering all European national organisations.
- Enhancing work of technical commission
- Protecting cave environment

10. Non EU member status management.

Monaco, Russia and Serbia have enquired about joining FSUE. Decision to have inclusive approach. Application forms to be sent all national bodies. The process to include the non-EU country will be the same as for the EU countries : sending a form to be filled on simple request. Then the membership is validated only after fee payment reception.

11. Application of candidates for bureau elections

3 positions are to be open for election, vice president, treasurer and new post of vice secretary, only 13+1 can present to the FSUE bureau

12. Deposit account

JCT made a proposal to put part of the FSUE money on a long term deposit account 5 or 10 years. We could possibly fill this account with 5000.-EUR. JCT to check interest rates.

13. New HQ for FSUE

Discussion took place. Currently Brussels at the European Commission. A Belgian alternative would be the 'Maison des Sports' in Namur. However, JCT explained implications of moving HQ, postage address etc. Possible new location could be Youth Hostels Association in Luxembourg. JCL stated that Spain could also provide alternative HQ in the Spanish Federation HQ. However, it was felt that FSUE needed to retain a healthy independence from big national bodies. Finally by 3 voices against 1, the Bureau choose to propose to the GAM Luxembourg as new HQ.

14. Euro-Speleo newsletter.

Decision that one dispatch should go to each county and that individual countries be responsible for distribution (1200 euros). With regard to printing and posting FSUE agreed to pay half.

Action: JCT to send out to individual countries who must decide how they manage process.

A possible distribution of the next edition and a good publicity would be VERCORS 2008. This also would reduce mailing costs dramatically.

15. Statutes (English translation)

Translations of statutes and internal regulations have been completed by Melanie Alspaugh and Tim Stratford. All agreed a good job had been done.

16. Internet Site and mailing list situation.

Decided that Bernard Thomachot (BTH) to take out FSUE.org from FFS. He has mailing list in FSUE.org. OV has created FSUE account now and BTH

will transfer to FSUE's. Also execute transfer of Nick Williams ownership to FSUE. Issue arose about whether FSUE only want website and mailing list. Possibility of forwarding rather than using POP email accounts. Alternatively use Plan 90 instead. BTH to create list of delegates and all federations to obtain comprehensive list of e-mail names.

17. Date of next meeting

GAM -14th August , Visby.

Bureau meeting 15th August, Visby

General Assembly Meeting / Assemblée Générale**FSUE 2007 - AGENDA / ORDRE DU JOUR**

Visby - Gotland Island - Sweden / Suède - 14 August/Août 2007 - 9h00

1	Quorum - Presentation of voting delegates and observing countries	Quorum - Présentation des délégués votants et pays observateurs
2	Approval of reduced membership fees/ 2005-2006 & 2006-2007 + Belgian request since 2003-2004	Approbation des cas des réductions de cotisation 2005-2006 & 2006-2007 + requête belge depuis 2003-2004
3	Approval of last General Assembly Meeting report	Approbation du compte-rendu de la dernière AG
4	Situation of the 27 EU countries	Situation des 27 pays de l'UE
5	General report of the Bureau 2005-2007	Rapport Moral du Bureau 2005-2007
6	Financial report 2005-2007	Rapport financier 2005-2007
7	English Translation of the Statutes & Internal Regulations (for information only)	Version anglaise des statuts et règlement intérieur (pour info seulement)
8	Opening of extraordinary session	Ouverture de la session extraordinaire
9	Minors changes : a) Use of both feminine and masculine articles for Bureau members Statut. Art 15,16,17,18,25 *b) Replacing "National Federation or Association" by "National Speleological Organisation" - Statut. Art1,7,8,24, IR Art1 *c) Call-up to ordinary GAM sent by simple mail Statut. Art. 20	Changements de forme : a) Utilisation des articles féminins et masculins indifféremment pour les membres du Bureau Statut. Art 15,16,17,18,25 *b) Remplacer « Fédération ou Association nationale » par « Organisation spéléologique nationale » Statut. Art1,7,8,24, RI Art1 *c) Convocation aux AG ordinaires par courrier simple. Statut. Art. 20
10	*a) Official registration & change of headquarters of the FSUE b) Creation of the position of Vice-Secretary Statut. Art. 11,17b *c) Mode of applying to the Bureau - IR 11	*a) Enregistrement officiel & changement du siège de la FSUE b) Création de la position de vice-secrétaire Statut. Art. 11 & 17b *c) Mode de Candidature au Bureau - RI 11
11	Vote about the opening to European non-EU countries. Statut. Art 1, 5a,b,c, 7	Vote sur l'ouverture aux pays européens non-UE Statut. Art 1, 5a,b,c, 7
12	Vote about the change to proportional membership fees & system of 1 to 5 voices per country (See Annex "Simul-Fees") a) Vote about gathering or separating both issues (According to the result of the "a." vote, votes b. and c. will be gathered or separated) b) Vote about the change to proportional membership fees c) Vote about the system of 1 to 5 voices per country Statut. Art 12,22,23,28,29,32 ; IR 23 *d) Cancellation or Art IR8 (if vote b positive)	Vote sur le changement vers un système de cotisation proportionnelle & système de 1 à 5 voix par pays (Voir Annexe « Simul-Fees » - Simulations Cotisations) a) Vote sur le regroupement ou séparation des deux sujets (Selon le résultat du vote "a", les votes b et c seront unis ou séparés) b) Vote sur le changement vers un système de cotisation proportionnelle c) Vote sur le système de 1 à 5 voix par pays Statut. Art 12,22,23,28,29,32 ; RI 23 *d) Annulation de l'article RI8 (si vote b positif)
13	Closure of extraordinary session	Fermeture de la session extraordinaire
14	Adaptation of Latin name in the logo for "Europae Unitatis Spelaeologica Foederatio"	Adaptation du nom latin sur le logo pour "Europae Unitatis Spelaeologica Foederatio"
15	Final date of payment for membership fees IR Art 6	Date limite pour le paiement des cotisations RI Art 6
16	Call for the organization of EuroSpeleo Forum 2009 & 2010	Appel pour l'organisation des EuroSpeleo Forum 2009 & 2010
17	Round Table for Orientations 2007-2009	Table ronde d'orientation 2007-2009
18	FSUE Objectives 2007-2009	Objectifs FSUE 2007-2009
19	Provisional Budget 2007-2009	Budget Prévisionnel 2007-2009
20 (ex 21)	Miscellaneous *a) Adoption of FSUE-FEALC Agreement *b) Adoption of UIS Code of ethics c) Any other issue	Questions diverses *a) Adoption de l'accord FSUE-FEALC *b) Adoption du Code Ethique UIS c) Autres questions
21	Election of Bureau members 2007-2011 Vice-President, Treasurer, Vice-secretary	Election de membres du Bureau 2007-2011 Vice-Président, Trésorier, Vice-secrétaire

(*) : New points compared to previous agenda / Nouveaux points comparés à l'ODJ précédent

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<u>INCOME 2005</u>	1/8-31/12	<u>730.00</u>	<u>OUTGOING 2005</u>	1/8-31/12	<u>72.50</u>
subscriptions 01-03		30.00	stamps for treasury		35.00
subscriptions 03-04		250.00	printing		37.50
subscriptions 04-05		450.00			
<u>INCOME 2006</u>	1/1-31/12	<u>2167.00</u>	<u>OUTGOING 2006</u>	1/1-31/12	<u>1180.33</u>
subscriptions 03-04		100.00	stamps for treasury		70.00
subscriptions 04-05		705.00	envelopes/printing		139.09
subscriptions 05-06		1362.00	Internet hosting		127.54
			Meetings		343.70
			EuroSpeleo 2006		500.00
<u>INCOME 2007</u>	1/1-30/6	<u>1284.00</u>	<u>OUTGOING 2007</u>	1/1-30/6	<u>382.64</u>
subscriptions 06-07		1284.00	stamps for treasury		309.60
			printing		73.04
Total IN	2005 - 2007	<u>4181.00</u>	Total OUT	2005 - 2007	<u>1635.47</u>
BALANCE:	2005-2007		+	<u>2545.53 EUR</u>	

having on our account in Luxembourg: June 30, 2007

TOTAL FUND **14536.16 EUR**

FSCE Treasurer, 30/06/2007
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