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*Commission Eaux Minérales et Thermales*



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**CMTW Business Meeting, Kraków, Poland,**

**September 16<sup>th</sup> 2010, 15:00 – 19:00 h**

**September 17<sup>th</sup> 2010, 15:00 – 19:00 h**

**Agenda/ Points of discussions  
at the 42<sup>nd</sup> CMTW Meeting in 2010, Kraków, Poland**

- 1. Welcome, information of the chairman**
- 2. Protocol (Minutes) of Istanbul Meeting 2008 and Cairo Meeting 2009**
- 3. Review of Role of Commissions by IAH Council (see separate information, annexed)**
- 4. Admission of new Candidate Members**
- 5. Change of state of Candidate to Full Members**
- 6. Discussion of new category of passive members (e.g. of those not attending meetings for more than 10 years)**
- 7. Schedule of next CMTW Meetings:**
  - Proposition of Evian 2011, Tentative First Circular already prepared**
  - Proposition 2012, New Zeland: main organizer Andrew Shugg**
- 8. New round of publications of CMTW**
- 9. Future of internal working groups**
- 10. Suggestions of members**

## **42<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the IAH CMTW, Kraków Poland, 2010**

**Protocol (by secretary A. Porowski, edited by chairman W. Balderer)**

### **Main issues**

#### **1. Welcome, information of the chairman**

The chairman gave welcome and introductory speech.

The Commission, its role and activity was shortly introduced to congress participants who came to open meeting.

The agenda of the meeting was proposed and distributed by the chairman among participants.

#### **2. Protocol (Minutes) of Istanbul Meeting 2008 and Cairo Meeting 2009**

The Minutes of Istanbul meeting in 2008 was written by the chairman himself, as Dr. von Storch as secretary was not present and the notes taken by Dr. Porowski were not available. Therefore the minutes were written ad hoc, not in the usual form presented in the years before by Dr. von Storch. For this reason the minutes of the 2008 Istanbul meeting were rejected by some members. It was decided to postpone its final acceptance (in a new version) for the business meeting 2010 planned to be held during the CMTW meeting in Krakow, Poland.

The corrected and completed Minutes of Istanbul meeting were accepted during this meeting.

Also, the Minutes of Cairo meeting in 2009 written by the chairman and new secretary Dr. Adam Porowski were accepted by the members.



### **3. Review of Role of Commissions by IAH Council (see separate information, annexed)**

The chairmen of the CMTW presented the information and proposition of reforms concerning the IAH commissions and working groups prepared by Ken Howard, IAH Vice President, Programme and Science Coordinator.

All these propositions were distributed to members and some issues were discussed.

The CMTW members explain their support for continuation of the future activities and meetings in the usual form elaborated by tradition of over 40 years of annual meetings and field sessions. The members agreed that such meetings are extremely valuable for scientific and technical development of occupational career of the members.

Some of the members explain their critical point of view concerning the proposed reforms. They indicated the continuous lack of sufficient support from IAH Executive body in developing of commissions and working groups, for example: publication support, web-site space and maintenance.

The chairman got full support to provide future comments on the proposed reforms.

The full text of the proposed reforms by Ken Howard is attached to this protocol as annex 1:

*Ken Howard, IAH Vice President, Programme and Science Coordinator, 2010.  
Proposed Reforms to IAH Commissions & Working Groups.*

### **4. Admission of new Candidate Members**

Two Candidate Members were presented and accepted:

- 1) Prof. YORAM ECKSTEIN, Department of Geology, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, USA
- 2) Dr ISTVÁN FÓRIZS, Institute for Geochemical Research Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary.

All members voted **for** admission of new Candidate Members.

## **5. Change of state of Candidate to Full Members**

There was no change of state of Candidate Members to full Members.

The Commission agreed to cancel the limit of two members from one country.

Now the limit of members from different countries is unrestricted.

However, the new procedure of voting will be discussed in next meeting to avoid considerable predominance of one country (with a lot of members) over another (with only one member).

## **6. Discussion of new category of passive members**

(e.g. of those not attending meetings for more than 10 years)

There was short but lasting discussion concerning the passive members of the CMTW.

Generally the present members of the Commission agreed that such passive members should be deleted from the list and notify about this action. There was proposition that such passive members should be asked first by e-mail about continuation of membership; if no response, they should be deleted.

However any regulation were not voted by the Commission due to the fact that new reforms of all the IAH commissions and working-groups are planned since 2011. This issue were left as it is up to new conditions of working.

## **7. Schedule of next CMTW Meetings:**

Two propositions of next CMTW meetings were presented.

1. Proposition of Evian 2011, France.

2. Proposition 2012, New Zealand: main organizer Andrew Shugg

Tentative First Circular of Evian 2011 was prepared, presented and distributed among members.

All the members voted **for** the Evian meeting.

## **8. New round of publications of CMTW**

Dr James LaMoreaux express his potential and good will to offer space for publication of CMTW members' papers and research reports presented in CMTW meetings in special issues of Environmental Earth Sciences. He kept up his offer on up to date schedule: one special issue of EES per 2 year, at least 10 papers should be submitted.

This year, together with dr Hussein Idris they combined all the lectures presented in last meeting in Cairo 2010 prepared as separate papers. The separate pamphlet is in the process of publication. The editor of this pamphlet is dr Hussein Idris.

Moreover, dr James LaMoreaux indicated two other possibilities for publication with Springer:

- a) "Springer Briefs" - for individual publications on some special topics, 50 – 120 pages;
- b) "Springer Thesis" – directed on publication of PhD thesis of very good quality.

## **9. Future of internal working groups**

The lasting discussion concerning the future of internal working groups have been continued.

Usually, some members who played important role in such internal project are not always present; that is why it is difficult to judge the development of the project.

This year the Members referred to following on-going project:

1. Bibliography - website created by dr Hussin Idris: <http://idris83.com>

The bibliography is ready. It has a potential to extend with new literature. In the process is negotiations to put this database to IAH official website connected with CMTW.

2. Comparison of classification of mineral and curative waters (prof. A. Voronov, dr N. Vinograd);

Performers of the project were absent.

It was extended on next year.

3. Geothermics (prf. Jan Dowgiallo): the main point of this activity is starting close cooperation of CMTW with International Geothermal Association and Polish Geothermal Society (PSG).

The issue is in the process.

4. Legal aspects: project was cancelled

## **10. Suggestions of members**

Suggestions concerning the future of CMTW meetings and its frequency have not been discussed due to the fact that new reforms of commissions and working groups are planned by the IAH Executives.

Some members suggested starting the closer cooperation with other world-wide associations.