eCAADe Annual General Meeting

Meeting held on
4.00 pm, 20 September 2013

Technische Universiteit Delft
Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment
The Netherlands

MINUTES

Present:

Council Members: Jose Duarte (president), Johan Verbeke (vice-president), Wolfgang Dokonal (vice-president), Bob Martens, Henri Achten, Joachim Kieferle, Rudi Stouffs, Marc Muylle, Birgul Colakoglu, Tadeja Zupancic, ...

Members: approximately 80 eCAADe members attended.

1. Welcome and Statement by the President
JD welcomed the membership to the eCAADe 2013 Annual General Meeting being held at Technische Universiteit Delft, Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment in The Netherlands.
JD presented an overview of important issues for eCAADe as an organization:
   - the association’s website;
   - the excellent yearly conference, this year held for the 30th time;
   - celebration of the 10th anniversary of the IJAC Journal (based at University of Liverpool and supported by eCAADe).
   - the CUMINCAD database (Cumulative index of CAD-papers);
   - growing eCAADe community on LinkedIn;
   - the benefit of eCAADe membership and the possibility of institutional membership for libraries (in collaboration with ACADIA, CAADRIA and SIGRADI) including one year full institutional access to the CUMINCAD database and one year eCAADe membership for one faculty member receiving a hard copy of the last conference proceedings for a 200,00 € subscription fee. The membership was asked to promote this more in the institutions. It was said that a debate was started on the possibility of open access for CUMINCAD.

2. Matters arising
There were no matters arising not already in the agenda for this meeting.

3. Approval of the AGM 2012 minutes
It was said that the minutes of all previous meetings can be checked on the eCAADe website. There were no comments and the minutes were approved.

4. The council
JD presented the council members: Henri Achten (fp, eCAADe 2012), Alexander Asanowicz (eCAADe 2002), Andy Brown (website, IJAC), Vassilis Bourdakis (eCAADe 2006), Birgul Colakoglu (eCAADe 2009), Wolfgang Dokonal (fp, vice-president), Jose Duarte (president), Joachim Kieferle (eCAADe 2007), Antje Kuntze (eCAADe 2010), Johan Verbeke (vice-president, treasurer), Bob Martens (fp, liaison), Tom Maver (fp, research), Marc Muylle (eCAADe 2008), Tadeja Zupancic (eCAADe 2011) and Rudi Stouffs (eCAADe 2013).
The council is supported by the eCAADe secretariat.

The term of JD as president of the association ends with this meeting. As no proposals from the membership for a new president were received, no election is needed and JV, the council’s candidate, will be announced as the new president of eCAADe for the next two years. The new presidential team will consist of JV as president and two vice-presidents: JK as “vice-president elect” (our candidate for future presidency) and JD as “vice-president emeritus” (the former president).

Financial auditors, approved by the AGM, for the association are: Scott Chase, Antje Kunze and Giles Halin, all absent during this conference. They were substituted by Dana Matejovska and Mike Knight.

Honorary membership is granted to Tom Maver as from Prague 2012.

5. Membership
JD appointed the benefits of eCAADe membership: full access to CUMinCAD, eCAADe listserv, reduced subscription to IJAC, reduction on backorder of digital eCAADe proceedings, CAAD futures proceedings, paper eCAADe proceedings...

The association pointed to the possibility of eCAADe student membership: students of 35 years old or less pay a 25€ fee. Together with the membership form, students have to send a valid student ID card and national ID card or passport to the secretariat.
Student members also get full access to CUMinCAD.

JD announced that eCAADe is thinking about opening the CUMINCAD database for the purpose of scientific sharing. This idea is to be checked with the sister organisations. Announcements about developments will be made at the next meeting.

6. IJAC
The International Journal of Architectural Computing (www.architecturalcomputing.org) is a collaboration between all the international CAAD organizations. It is currently in its 11th year of publication. There was a celebration of the 10th anniversary.
AB provided the following info: issue 11-3 is just being printed, issue 11-4 is due for November and is edited currently by ACADIA team. Issue 12-1 due for February 2014 is edited by CAADRIA team (Rudi Stouffs/Tomohiro Fukuda) and the issue 12-2 is due May 2014 and edited by eCAADe team.

7. Report from the secretariat
10 library subscriptions were received in the previous year.
This shows that eCAADe is an expanding organization.
JD also presented a summary of the accounting:
There was an income in 2012 of 9715,71 € (2011: 9.111,47 €) and an expenditure of 8165,93 € (for 2011: 10.270,98 €). The profit per December 2012 was 1770,91 € (2011: -1.159,51 €). The bank balance at date of the AGM meeting was 52182,57 €.

8. Future conferences for eCAADe
2015 - Vienna, Austria
Expressions of interest for beyond: proposals from the membership are also warmly welcomed.

9. PhD-workshop
eCAADe PhD-grant - A grant for young researchers studying in Europe to attend a pre-conference PhD-workshop where they present their work and discuss with colleagues. 5 students can get a grant of 500 €. Students should have an approved PhD in its initial state. The initiative was organized for the third time this year. The membership is invited to promote it in the universities.

10. Future regional international workshop
The first eCAADe mid year regional workshop was held in Porto in April 2013 and was a success. Goals for this new initiative: take eCAADe to new regional areas, promote CAD research and education locally, search for new places to host eCAADe conferences. There is a grant of 2.500 €.
For 2014, proposals were received from: IE University, Madrid, Spain; La Sapienza, Rome, Italy; Politécnico, Milano, Italy; Open University, Milton Keynes, UK and Bialystok University, Bialystok, Poland. The council announced that in 2014 Bialystok University of Tecnology is selected to organise the workshop.

The call for the following year will be sent after the council’s mid year meeting in March. The decision is made in the council’s annual meeting in September.

11. Relationships with other organisations
- SIGRADI - will be held at Universidad Técnica Federico Santa Maria, Valparaiso, Chile from November 20th to 22nd, 2013 - http://sigradi2013.org.
- CAADRIA - Rethinking Comprehensive Design: Speculative Counterculture - will be held at Kyoto Institute of Technology from 14-17 May 2014.
- ASCAAD - no news.

12. Awards
Presentation Prizes Ceremony
Ivan Petrovic Prize: Zjenja Doubrovski
Bentley sponsored eCAADe Best Presentation Award: Tuba Kocaturk

13. Closing of AGM and conference
- Messages and announcements from the membership.
- The eCAADe 2013 conference organizers were warmly thanked for a splendid conference!
- The after conference drink was announced and everyone was invited.
- The AGM meeting and conference were closed.