



27th General Meeting

7th September 2006, Vienna,
Austria



Agenda (1)

- Minutes of Previous Meeting
- Matters Arising
- Chairman's Report
- Presentation & Approval of Accounts for 2005
- Appointment of Auditors for 2007



Agenda (2)

- Budget & Forward Look
- Executive Committee Elections
- Executive Board 2007
- Future Conferences
- Date of Next Meeting
- Any Other Business



Minutes

- Minutes of 26th General Assembly
- (CGF 24(4), pp. 851-857, 2005)



Matters Arising



Chair's Report

- Annual Report of Activities
 - Working Groups and Workshops
 - Publications Board
 - Operations Board
 - Online Board
 - Professional Board
 - Promotions Board
 - Education Board



Working Groups (1)

- Animation
- Hardware
- Rendering
- Data Visualization
- Multimedia
- Parallel Graphics



Working Groups (2)

- Geometry Processing and Geometric Modelling
- Virtual Environments
- Graphics and Cultural Heritage
- Sketch-based Interfaces



Workshops/Symposia in 2006

- Visualization (EuroVis) *
- Rendering
- Geometry Processing
- Volume Graphics *
- Point-based Graphics *
- Graphics Hardware **
- Computer Animation **
- Natural Phenomena
- Sketch-based Interfaces
- Parallel Graphics
- Virtual Environments
- VAST Graphics and Cultural Heritage

* EG-IEEE vgtc

** EG-SIGGRAPH Symposium



Workshops/Symposia in 2007

- Visualization(EuroVis)
- Parallel Graphics
- Point-based Graphics
- Volume Graphics
- Geometry Processing
- Rendering
- Hardware
- Animation
- ...



Publications Board

- CGF Editors-in-Chief: David Duke
Roberto Scopigno
- EG Events Proceedings
 - As of 2004 produced by EG Publishing
 - 12 titles produced in 2005, including 3 partner events



Publications Board

- Dissemination of all EG event series through A.K. Peters
- EG bookshop only deals with other items
- Place orders directly to A.K. Peters
- Members get 20% discount on **ALL** A.K. Peters titles





EG Publishing

- Services to EG events and partner events
 - Submission review management system (SRM and MCP)
 - Production of printed proceedings
 - Production of DVD/CD
 - Registration and payment services
- Complete package for research event organisers



Publications Board

EG Digital Library is growing

- CGF, Conf. Proc's, STARs, Tutorials, Short Presentations, All Event Proc's, Partner Events
- DOI assignment has been started; will extend to all material in EG DL, including partner events
- Non-membership access to EG DL through TIB Hannover
- Downloads of papers increased by 230% wrt 2004; overall usage by 50% (2953 downloads/month in 2006)



Operations Board

- Membership
 - Membership: 765 (2.8% increase)
 - 24(+1) Organizational and 12(+1) Educational
 - Germany 123(+26), USA 109(+13), France 61(+2), UK 69(-1), Spain 63(-5), Portugal 53(-4)
 - 107 (14%) student members
- Strong shift to electronic CGF (68%)
- Electronic voting system successful (4th year)
- NEW: sign-up for paper or electronic ballots
- Convince your organization to join !



Online Board

- Providing online services to members and all other boards and chapters
- Redesign of EG web pages
- New web pages
 - EG Awards Programme
 - EG Fellows





Professional Board

- Supporting Local Chapters
 - Currently operating in 10 countries worldwide
- EG Conference Planning Guide
 - Model contract updated
 - Honorarium for Tutorial Speakers increased
 - Guide ported to Wiki for easier access and maintenance
- Event cooperations remain popular
 - Criteria for agreeing cooperations reviewed and updated
- New organiser appointed for EG Medical Prize
 - Dirk Bartz



Promotions Board

- Local contacts & local activities
- Support to chapter activities
- New promotional brochure
- Stand at SIGGRAPH
- Joint activities with SIGGRAPH



Education Board

- Four education sessions at EG 2006!
Increasing number of submitted papers.
Chairs: J. Brown and W. Hansmann.
- EG- SIGGRAPH Education Workshop in Vienna:
Defining an International CG Curriculum
Chairs: J.J. Bourdin (France), S. Cunningham (USA),
M. Fairén (Spain).
- Making high quality resources available



Fellows

New Fellows: David Duke
 Markus Gross
 Roberto Scopigno





Presentation & Approval of Accounts

- Werner Hansmann



Observations

- The budget figures in the accounts of 2005 are those approved by the Executive Committee and the General Assembly in Grenoble in September 2004.
- As approved by the Executive Committee and the General Assembly in Interlaken in 2000 the € is the official Eurographics currency. Hence the Internal Accounts of the Association have been calculated based on the €
- As the legal and fiscal seat of the Association is in Switzerland, the Audited Accounts are calculated in SFr.
- Following a respective request by the Executive Committee and the General Assembly in Grenoble in 2004 both the audited and the internal accounts will be presented in € only.



Internal Accounts '05

| Expenditure (in k€) | Total | Budget | Difference |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Executive Board | 10.336,35 | 12.000,00 | -1.663,65 |
| Professional Board | 0,00 | 3.000,00 | -3.000,00 |
| Chapters | 4.099,65 | 5.000,00 | -900,35 |
| Workshop Board | 260,20 | 2.000,00 | -1.739,80 |
| On-line Board | 3.763,40 | 3.000,00 | 763,40 |
| Central Secretariat | 21.830,73 | 24.000,00 | -2.169,27 |
| Operational Services | 35.891,26 | 32.000,00 | 3.891,26 |
| Treasurer | 5.958,55 | 8.000,00 | -2.041,45 |
| Taxation | 11.384,13 | 6.000,00 | 5.384,13 |
| Promotions Board | 14.373,30 | 8.000,00 | 6.373,30 |
| Education Board | 2000,00 | 5.000,00 | -3.000,00 |
| Publ.: CGF&WS Proc | 55.970,39 | 15.000,00 | 40.970,39 |
| Public. Board: Travel | 249,60 | 2.000,00 | -1.750,40 |
| Bookshop | 186,27 | 18.000,00 | -17.813,73 |
| Strategic Projects | 8.080,00 | 0,00 | 8.080,00 |
| Contingency | 403,92 | 1.000,00 | -596,08 |
| Total | 174.787,76 | 144.000,00 | 30.787,76 |



Internal Accounts '05

| Income (in k€) | Total | Budget | Difference |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Membership fees | 70.652,40 | 68.000,00 | 2.652,40 |
| Events | 12.017,32 | 28.000,00 | -15.982,68 |
| Royalties | 19.185,36 | 19.000,00 | 185,36 |
| Bookshop & Proceedings | 31.130,69 | 18.000,00 | 13.130,69 |
| Bank interest / Tax return | 3.007,14 | 6.000,00 | -2.992,86 |
| Total | 135.992,91 | 139.000,00 | -3.007,09 |
| Surplus/Deficit | -38.794,85 | -5.000,00 | -33.794,85 |



Audited Accounts

| Expenditure | 2004 | 2005 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Executive Board | 9.709,87 | 10.336,34 |
| Professional Board | 203,91 | 0,00 |
| Workshop Board | 113,58 | 260,20 |
| Education | 0,00 | 2.000,00 |
| Chapters | 3.217,40 | 4.099,65 |
| Online Board | 8.921,03 | 3.763,40 |
| Operational Services | 32.716,76 | 35.891,26 |
| Secretariat | 21.261,25 | 21.667,59 |
| Treasurer | 6.173,21 | 17.411,22 |
| Promotions Board | 4.102,61 | 14.373,30 |
| Bookshop & Publications Board | 83.527,69 | 56.454,80 |
| Strategic Projects | 0,00 | 8.080,00 |
| Contingency | 226,21 | 403,92 |
| Exchange difference | 3.637,16 | 0,00 |
| | <u>173.810,67</u> | <u>174.741,69</u> |



Audited Accounts

| Income | 2004 | 2005 |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Subscriptions | 76.253,85 | 72.984,61 |
| Repayments on book sales | 67.911,76 | 30.942,67 |
| Bank interest | 2.019,61 | 1.787,67 |
| Events | 48.125,50 | 10.416,80 |
| Royalties and other products | 17.842,61 | 19.185,36 |
| Exchange difference | 0,00 | 1.408,75 |
| Result on previous period | 1.246,93 | 0,00 |
| | <u>213.400,25</u> | <u>136.725,87</u> |
| Result | | |
| Profit or loss for period | <u>39.589,59</u> | <u>-38.015,82</u> |



Balance Sheet

| Assets | 2004 | 2005 |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Cash | 6,53 | 8,03 |
| Banks | 358.727,95 | 295.928,28 |
| Federal withholding tax | 1.209,37 | 488,89 |
| Account receivable | 54.109,48 | 59.500,00 |
| Deposit | 498,53 | 0,00 |
| EG '04 account | 6.484,63 | 8.066,99 |
| EG '05 account | 0,00 | 10.983,30 |
| EG '06 account | 0,00 | 10.000,00 |
| | <u>421.036,49</u> | <u>384.975,49</u> |
| Liabilities | | |
| EG '05 account | 484,98 | 0,00 |
| Other events | 0,00 | 3.969,21 |
| Accounts payable | 16.627,45 | 15.098,04 |
| Fortune | 403.924,06 | 365.908,24 |
| | <u>421.036,49</u> | <u>384.975,49</u> |



Trends in Accounts 2002 - 2005

| | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Capital at end of year | 288.083,22 | 364.334,47 | 403.924,06 | 365.908,24 |
| Surplus/(Loss) | (53.158,24) | 76.251,25 | 39.589,59 | (38.015,82) |



Auditor's Report

- As statutory auditors, we have audited the accounting records and the financial statements (balance sheet, statement of income and expenses) of **EUROGRAPHICS ASSOCIATION, Geneva** for the year ended December 31st, 2005.
- These financial statements are the responsibility of the committee. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. **We confirm that we meet the legal requirements concerning professional qualification and independence.**
- Our audit was conducted in accordance with auditing standards promulgated by the Swiss profession, which require that an audit be planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. We have examined on a test basis evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We have also assessed the accounting principles used, significant estimates made and the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- **In our opinion, the accounting records and financial statements comply with the Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation.**
- **We recommend that the financial statements submitted to you be approved.**
- Geneva, August 25th, 2006. (Signed) Antoine RICHARD, Alfred BRAUN, AUDIT & Co S.A.



Approval of Accounts 2005

- Proposed
- Seconded



Appointment of Auditors

- Proposal

that Audit & Co SA of Geneva be appointed auditors for financial year beginning 1st January 2007



Estimates for 2006

- The end of year prediction is given based on experience; and it involves a number of assumptions.
- The income through membership fees depends on the development of membership during the year; it can only be estimated.
- The events surplus and book sales cannot be predicted anywhere precisely.
- The cost of Computer Graphics Forum is very dependent on the exchange rate between the £ and the €.
- The actual cost of proceedings printed at ACM Press depends on the exchange rate between the \$ and the €.





Estimates for 2006

| Expenditure (in k€) | To end March | End of Year | Budget | Difference |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Executive Board | 1 | 10 | 12 | -2 |
| Professional Board | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Chapters | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| Workshop Board | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| On-line Board | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Central Secretariat | 4 | 22 | 23 | -1 |
| Operational Services | 9 | 35 | 35 | 0 |
| Treasurer | 1 | 7 | 8 | -1 |
| Taxation | 3 | 6 | 5 | 1 |
| Promotions Board | 0 | 5 | 6 | -1 |
| Education | 0 | 4 | 5 | -1 |
| Bookshop | 5 | 7 | 7 | 0 |
| Publications: Proceedings | 9 | 56 | 60 | -4 |
| Publications: Travel | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Publications: CGF | 0 | 19 | 17 | 2 |
| Strategic Projects | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Contingency | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Total | 33 | 188 | 193 | -5 |



Estimates for 2006

| Income (in k€) | To end March | End of Year | Budget | Difference |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Membership fees | 51 | 73 | 75 | -2 |
| Events | -18 | 14 | 28 | -14 |
| Royalties | 20 | 19 | 19 | 0 |
| Proceedings | 2 | 50 | 60 | -10 |
| Bookshop | -12 | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| Interest / Tax return | 0 | 4 | 5 | -1 |
| Total | 43 | 165 | 192 | -27 |
| Income minus Spend | 10 | -23 | -1 | -22 |



Budget & Forward Look

- The following two tables sum up the details given in the Draft 2007 - 2011 Forward Look which was uploaded to the EG server for the Executive Committee's information.
- Individual Membership levels have been set at the current 592 full plus 96 student members, which may turn out a bit optimistic. However, no further increase was assumed for the coming years.
- The past development in Org. Membership gave rise to the assumption of a modest increase of one every other year; Educ. Membership appears to be remaining constant.
- Experience shows a growing interest in the *electronic only* option for CGF subscriptions. The forward look takes this changing ratio into consideration (e:68% | p:9% | e+p:23%)



Budget & Forward Look

- Due to continuing efforts of the Publications Board Blackwell's prices for the production of CGF still remained constant.
- For events surplus and book sales a rather conservative estimate is given, however, it cannot be predicted precisely.
- Taxation is very much dependent on the annual fluctuation of profit and loss due to late payments and changes in membership; the tax rate has been set to a constant for reasons of simplicity.
- Board expenses have been set according to the experience gathered in the recent past. After [EG@25](#) the promotions budget has been reduced to 6000€.



Budget & Forward Look (1)

| Expenditure (in k€) | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Executive Board | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 13 |
| Professional Board | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Workshop Board | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Chapters | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| On-line Board | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Central Secretariat | 23 | 24 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| Operations Services | 35 | 37 | 38 | 40 | 41 |
| Treasurer | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Taxation | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Promotions Board | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Education Board | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| Publications - CGF | 17 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 19 |
| Publ. - Proceedings | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Publ. Bookshop & Travel | 12 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| Strategic Projects | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Contingency | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 196 | 199 | 204 | 209 | 213 |



Budget & Forward Look (2)

| Income (in k€) | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Membership fees | 76 | 76 | 77 | 77 | 78 |
| Royalties | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Events surplus | 28 | 29 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| Proceedings | 61 | 61 | 61 | 61 | 61 |
| Bookshop | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Interest/Tax return | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Total | 196 | 198 | 200 | 202 | 205 |
| Income minus Spend | 0 | -1 | -4 | -7 | -8 |



Final Remarks

- A detailed overview of the Association's accounts is given quarterly to the Executive Board.
- A more detailed presentation of the cash flow and a summary of income and expenditure for the years 2005 and 2006 was uploaded to the EG server for the Executive Committee's information.
- Also the detailed Draft 2007 - 2011 Forward Look was uploaded.
- The amounts in the Forward Look can be seen in continuation of the budgeted amounts listed in the Estimates for 2006. That budget was approved by the General Assembly in August 2005.



Approval of Budget 2007

- Proposed
- Seconded



Election Results 2006

| Candidates Elected | Region | Votes |
|--------------------|--------|-------|
| Baranoski | 6 | 68 |
| Brunet | 4 | 134 |
| Duce | 1 | 96 |
| Ertl | 2 | 129 |
| Groeller | 5 | 115 |
| Klein | 2 | 84 |
| O'Sullivan | 1 | 108 |



Executive Committee

Until 31 Dec 2009

Baranoski 6, Brunet 4, Duce 1, Ertl 2, Groeller 5, Klein 2, O'Sullivan 1

Until 31 Dec 2007

Coquillart 3, Duke 1, Gross 3, Müller 2, Scopigno 3, Seidel 2, Torres 4

Until 31 Dec 2008

Cani 3, Fellner 5, Navazo 4, Pulli 5, Rushmeier 6, Skala 5, Wyvill 6



Regions

- 1 UK, Ireland
- 2 Germany
- 3 Italy, Switzerland, France, Monaco, Malta
- 4 Spain, Portugal, Andorra
- 5 All other European countries
- 6 All non-European countries



Elections 2007

| | Composition | Guaranteed positions | EXC Composition 2007 | Remaining 2008 | Vacancies 2007 |
|---|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1 | United Kingdom, Ireland | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 2 | Germany | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | Italy, Switzerland, France, Monaco, Malta | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | Spain, Portugal, Andorra | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 5 | All other European countries | 2 | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| 6 | All non-European countries | 2 | 4 | 4 | 0 |



Nominating Committee

- Composition:
 - 2 from EXC
 - 2 from General Assembly
- **EC 1 Pere Brunet**
- **EC 2 Dieter Fellner**
- GA 1
- GA 2



Executive Board 2007

- | | |
|----------------------|--|
| ■ Chairman: | David Duce |
| ■ Vice Chairs: | Roberto Scopigno, Tom Ertl |
| ■ Secretary & Ops: | Carlo Vandoni |
| ■ Treasurer + AT: | Werner Hansmann, Francisco Melero Rus |
| ■ Education: | Isabel Navazo |
| ■ Online: | Marcus Magnor |
| ■ Workshops: | Heinrich Müller |
| ■ Publications: | Dieter Fellner |
| ■ Promotions: | Carol O'Sullivan |
| ■ Professional: | Nigel John |
| ■ [Strategic Issues: | David Duce] |



Future Conferences

- EG & Siggraph – the **two major graphics conferences** that many of us **want to be involved in**
 - Preparing submissions
 - Taking part in the reviewing process
 - Participating in IPC meetings
 - Attending the conference

being within one month of each other



Where the discussion started

Moving the EG conference to a different period of the year, to reduce the overlap with Siggraph?

- Discussed several times in the past
- Argument raised at several IPC meetings and again at the EG'05 IPC Meeting
- Discussed at the following EG Executive Board meeting (17/06/05)
- Wider consultation followed





Arguments raised

- The growth of CG gives rise to the **need for two major events** per year
 - Much of the community feels that there is a need for **more** than a single high-ranking **general CG** conference
 - Should be located in different periods of the year, to organize the work of researchers/PhD on the basis of **two** major deadlines per year, i.e. several months for each period
 - EG has the chance to firmly establish the annual conference as one of these 2 major events



Remove the clash with SIGGRAPH

- Deadline clash with SIG forces to a choice: **send to Sig or send to EG?**
 - most US people opt for Siggraph
 - A different deadline would resolve this conflict
 - Improve the number of potential submissions
- Smooth workload on reviewers
 - hard to find good reviewers when potential candidates have been saturated by SIGGRAPH assignments



Current timeline (2006)

■ Submission deadlines

| Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---------------|----------|----------|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|---------------|
| SIG, PGV, CGI | EG, SCCG | IEEE Viz | SCA, GH, SGP, Rend, PG | | | | | I3D | WSCG | GI | EVis, VE, SPM |

■ Conference dates

| Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|-----|------|-----|------|---------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-------------|--------------|-----|-----|
| | WSCG | I3D | SCCG | EVis, VE, PGV | SGP, Rend, SPM, GI, CGI | | SIG | EG, GH, SCA | IEEE Viz, PG | | |



Three options evaluated

Option A:

SubmD Oct W1, **IPC meet.** Nov. W4,
Conf. Febr-April

Option B:

SubmD July W1, **IPC meet.** Oct. W4,
Conf. Febr-April

Option C:

SubmD March W3/W4 (before Sig IPC),
Conf. unchanged





Steps taken by Executive Board (Nov. 25, 2005)

- A straw poll taken at the meeting showed overwhelming support for **Option A**
- ExB requested wider consultation, and based on this put forward a proposal to the next EXC meeting (Wien, April 2006)
- Consultation included workshop and symposia organizers, working group chairs, past conference chairs, local chapter chairs
- Overwhelming support for Option A



Decisions by Executive Committee (April 8th, '06)

- Based on strong guidance from the consultation process
- Approved the date change according to Opt. A:
 - **SubmD** Oct W1, **IPC meet.** Nov. W4, **Conf.** Feb-April
- This will initially be implemented as a three year trial
- First spring event: EG 2008
- Chairman's letter to all members will follow this announcement



Next Conferences

- 2007: September 3-7, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2008: Springtime; location and dates to be confirmed



Date of next AGM

- Thursday 6th September 2007, Prague, Czech Republic





Any Other Business