



## Agenda ENID General Assembly

13 September, 13:00-15:00, Big Hall, Stadsgehoorzaal, Breestraat 60, Leiden, The Netherlands^

The following members were present and represented by:

Institutional members	Represented by
Department of Computer, Control, and Management Engineering Antonio Ruberti, University of Rome La Sapienza	Cinzia Daraio
NIFU	Gunnar Sivertsen
Samuel Neaman Institute	Daphne Getz
CNR CERIS	Emanuela Reale
DZHW, Dept. Research System and Science Dynamics	Sybill Hinze
CWTS, Leiden University	Theo van Leeuwen, Ed Noyons
Centre for Organisational Research, University of Lugano	Benedetto Lepori
Innovation Systems Department, AIT Austrian Institute of Technology	Thomas Scherngell
Université de Paris Est	Philippe Laredo
INGENIO-CSIC Valencia	Jordi Molas-Gallart
Max Planck Institute for Solid State Research	Robin Haunschild
Observatoire des Sciences et Techniques (OST)	Frédérique Sachwald
UNU-MERIT	Lili Wang
Cybermetrics Lab. IPP-CSIC	Isidro Aguillo
Centre for Higher Education Research and Evaluation, Lancaster University	Gemma Derrick

1. Approval of the agenda  
The agenda was approved.
2. Report of the President on the activities of the ENID association, on the general strategy for ENID
  - Status membership: 40 institutional members, new since last meeting: 6
    - Max Planck Institute for Solid State Research, Germany;
    - QPlan International, Greece (company focusing on management systems, management and co-ordination of international projects);
    - National Research Institute for Science Policy (NRISP), Iran;
    - International Centre for Decision Sciences and Forecasting, Progress & Business Foundation, Poland;
    - NIDAP Research, Netherlands (company focusing on market research incl. Product innovation)
    - Hunter Centre for Entrepreneurship, Strathclyde Business School, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, United Kingdom
  - Status of implementation of new statutes  
New statutes approved at ENID GA 2017 but so far, registration of new ENID statutes with French authorities is still a pending task with Rigas Arvanitis.
  - STI2018 – positive feedback with regard to this year's conference, which was very well organised and attended (approx. 380 registered participants)
3. Future activities: STI conference series
  - a. 2019 – joint conference with ISSI – state of play

Jordi Molas recapitulated the decision about organising STI2019 jointly with ISSI, as a special track at ISSI 2019 in Rome. Based on the decision taken at last year's board meeting and ENID GA (see respective minutes) a discussion with Cassidy Sugimoto, President of ISSI, took place resulting in the decision to indeed pursue the idea of a joint conference in 2019. It was decided to organize STI2019 as a special track at ISSI 2019 in Rome. It was agreed to involve representatives of the ENID board in the conference preparation, namely the preparation of the call and the review process. The draft call was submitted to the ENID board shortly before STI2018. Board members agreed to prepare feedback to the ISSI conference committee by the 13 September 2018<sup>1</sup>. The ISSI organizing committee suggested Ed Noyons, CWTS, to be in charge of the STI special track. The board agreed to this suggestion and decided to involve Ed Noyons in the preparation of the feedback to be submitted to the organizing committee. Based on the draft call, the board noted that there were substantial procedural differences between the two conferences series, including structure of the conference (e.g. tracks and call for tracks), type and composition of the conference committees (local committee versus programme committee) type of submissions (full paper versus, special tracks and work in progress), and deadlines for submission. Despite these differences, it was agreed that the 2019 STI track would be organised following ISSI's procedures.

In the discussion Emanuela Reale, Philippe Laredo and Benedetto Lepori raised concerns regarding ENID's visibility and the potential threat that ENID would lose its identity in this partnership. In particular, a joint event would always be unbalanced in terms of the topics covered, as the ISSI-Scientometrics community is larger than the policy-oriented indicators community that is a key ENID constituent. This was pointed out as a major concern. Against the background of ENID's interests, more efforts are needed in order to ensure that topics central to ENID are included in the ISSI conference programme and actively promoted. Thus, in particular contributions and debates (including with policy makers) focusing on indicator use in policy relevant and evaluation contexts need to be included.

Consequently, it was agreed that a thorough evaluation was needed following the event in Rome as basis for a decision on how to proceed. Three potential options were identified:

- in case the evaluation would be positive: to continue with the joint events or
- in case the outcome would not be satisfactory to
  - either return to the previous model, namely separate events, which for ENID could either be annual or
  - Bi-annual event, which would address the concerns raised by parts of the community regarding overlap between both conference series.

#### b. 2020 – candidates

First discussion took place with Jesper Schneider, Aarhus University, about organizing STI2020. Aarhus University is interested but administrative and organisational questions need to be clarified. Sybille Hinze and Thed van Leeuwen will stay in contact with Aarhus University and get a final decision. In case Aarhus University decides against hosting STI2020, members will be contacted and alternative options will be pursued. It was made clear, however, that for the time being only European institutions should be approached.

- Members were informed that in 2020 board election will be due and asked to consider and suggest potential candidates, also for the president, treasurer and secretary general positions.

#### 4. Report on finances (Treasurer)

Rigas Arvanitis (treasurer), who was unable to attend the meeting, provided via Email information that the account remained untouched and thus unchanged since the last

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<sup>1</sup> A revised version of the draft call was submitted to Cinzia Daraio and Henk Moed, who are in charge of ISSI 2019 on 13 September. The first call was subsequently made public e.g. via the ENID website and the ENID mailing list.

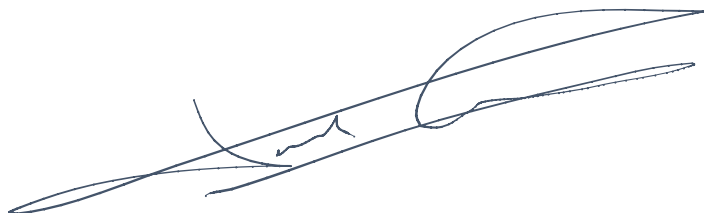
ENID GA. None the least due to the need to manage what, to all intents and purposes is a dormant account, the question, of whether to keep the account was raised. Philippe Laredo informed members that if the account remains dormant it would be closed automatically after four years, thus, this issue has to be taken up again at the next GA meeting together with a viable solution about the book keeping. This will be done in the context of next year's board elections, always keeping in mind that, due to ENID being an association based on French legislation, the treasurer should be associated with a French member organisation.

As a consequence of the discussions in the GA it was decided to take up the following topics at the 2020 GA:

- How to organize the relationship with ISSI and what does that mean for the way and the frequency of future STI conferences?
- The role of the ENID board and GA with regard to steering and structuring future STI conferences?
- Future of the ENID accounts

It was agreed that the 2019 ENID GA would need to be organised immediately after the conference with sufficient time to discuss the outcome of the joint endeavour and conclude about how to proceed as the organizers for STI2020 need to be able to adjust for the decisions and their consequences. If feasible, it would be desirable to have a meeting with the ISSI board after the ENID GA came to a conclusion. It was agreed that Jordi Molas and Sybille Hinze would approach the ISSI board and clarify the decision making process.

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Jordi Molas  
ENID president



Sybille Hinze  
ENID Secretary