



2017 ENID Extraordinary General Assembly

Wednesday 6 September 2017, 13.00-14.00, ESIEE, 2 Blvd. Blaise Pascal, Cité Descartes, 93162 Noisy-le-Grand

The following members were present:

Institutional members (represented by)	Individual members
Department of Computer, Control, and Management Engineering Antonio Ruberti, University of Rome La Sapienza"" – Cinzia Daraio	R. Hauschild
NIFU – Gunnar Sivertsen	
Samuel Neaman Institute – Daphne Getz	
CNR CERIS – Emanuela Reale	
DZHW, Dept. Research System and Science Dynamics – Stefan Hornbostel, Sybille Hinze	
CWTS, Leiden University – Paul Wouters	
Centre for Organisational Research, University of Lugano – Benedetto Lepori	
Innovation Systems Department, AIT Austrian Institute of Technology – Thomas Scherngell	
IRD / IFRIS – Rigas Arvanitis	
INGENIO-CSIC Valencia – Jordi Molas-Gallart	

The assembly was open to non-members.

Minutes

- Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

- Discussion and resolution about amended statutes

Jordi Molas-Gallart recapitulated the recent situation regarding the statutes and the motivation behind adapting those statutes. During last two GAs the sustainability of ENID with its current structure and activities was discussed (see minutes ENID GA 2015 and 2016). Following last year's discussion about the direction ENID should develop, a consultation (survey) among ENID members was launched in February 2017.

Two options were given:

1. To develop ENID into a learned society, which continues to include individual as well as institutional members and provides services to their members well beyond its current focus on the organization of the STI annual Conference. Extending the services would, however, require a return to a fee-based membership and a secretariat able to move ENID towards a society in the style of many other (large) academic associations.
2. To turn ENID into "a network of institutes", and thus remaining a "light association" focused on the organization of the Conference and the issues associated with it.

As both options involved adapting the association statutes an amended draft of the statutes (affected are in particular Paragraphs 5, 12 and 13) was prepared and sent to the members as part of the

consultation, which also included a proposal to introduce changes repealing the re-eligibility limits for the treasurer and the secretary.

The feedback received was compiled by the Secretary and the President, presented to the ENID Governing Board and translated into a new version of the statutes, which was sent to all ENID members. Finally, a meeting of the Extraordinary ENID GA was called, as laid out in the ENID association statutes, in order to decide upon the new statutes prepared by the Secretary and the President.

The discussion focused primarily on Article 6, which concerns membership fees. The Article raised concerns among some members. However, while in the article a membership fee is mentioned, this, for the time being and based on an earlier GA decision amounts to zero €. Any changes have to be decided upon by the GA. Thus in line with the statutes, the adoption of the new statutes did not imply any change in the current situation whereby ENID membership is free. A change of this situation would require the agreement of the ENID General Assembly.

Members voted unanimously in favour of adopting the new statutes presented to them, thus agreeing to turn ENID into "a network of institutes" with institutional membership only.

All members will be informed of these changes and the consequences for their membership.

The meeting was closed by the president at 14.00h.

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Thursday 7 September 2017, 13.00-14.30, ESIEE, 2 Blvd. Blaise Pascal, Cité Descartes, 93162 Noisy-le-Grand

The following members were present:

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Department of Computer, Control, and Management Engineering Antonio Ruberti, University of Rome La Sapienza" – Cinzia Daraio
NIFU – Gunnar Sivertsen
Samuel Neaman Institute – Daphne Getz
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Innovation Systems Department, AIT Austrian Institute of Technology – Thomas Scherngell
IRD / IFRIS – Rigas Arvanitis
INGENIO-CSIC Valencia – Jordi Molas-Gallart
MERIT – Lili Wang
Centre for Higher Education Research and Evaluation, University Lancaster – Gemma Derrick
ECCOOM, University of Leuven – Wolfgang Glänzel

The assembly was open to non-members.

Minutes

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
 - a. Organisational issues – future of the Association

Jordi Molas-Gallart reported from the Extraordinary General Assembly, which was held on Wednesday, 6 September 2017, that members approved the changes suggested to the association's statutes, which concerned in particular the membership (move to solely institutional membership) and the changes to the terms of re-eligibility of treasurer and secretary.

The approved English version of the statutes will now be submitted to the French colleagues, Rigas Arvanitis and Phillippe Laredo, who will ensure their translation into French, as ENID is an association under French law. Consequently, they will ensure that the new statutes will be registered with the French authorities.

The finalised new statutes will be published on the ENID website.

The President welcomed new institutional members, which were approved by the board since last year's GA: MERIT; the Centre for Higher Education Research and Evaluation, University Lancaster; ECOOM- University of Leuven and the CSIC-Cybermetrics Lab.

President's report on the organization of this year's STI Conference:

- Around 190 participants from more than 30 countries.
- Main funding came from participant's fees, the RISIS project, IFRIS as well as from sponsors such as Clarivate Analytics.
- Successfully efforts were made to bring innovation indicators "in"
- Continuation of the new structure of the conference, which was successfully introduced at STI 2016 in Valencia based on special tracks in addition to the free submissions. Thus, as in 2016, the conference's structural elements are: a specific topic chosen by the local organizer, special tracks and free submissions (in line with overall conference themes).
- Also, the organizers of next year's conference have expressed their intention to keep the special tracks format and the overall structure of STI2016.
- The introduction of the tracks was perceived as very successful. The continuation of the various tracks will depend on the local theme and the relevance of the tracks. So far, the previously discussed potential development of the tracks into interest groups, which is seems to be an option to strengthen the tracks and increase their sustainability was not actively pursued but should be again taken into consideration in the context of preparing STI2018.

3. Future activities: STI conference series
 - a. STI2018 – CWTS

STI2018 will take place in Leiden from 12-14 September 2018. Paul Wouters will briefly introduce the conference theme and structure during the final session of this year's conference on Friday, 8 September 2017.

- b. 2019 – Candidates. ISSI proposal for a joint conference in Belgium

It was noted that ISSI 2019 would not take place in Belgium but in Italy, organized by Cinzia Daraio and colleagues.

Jordi Molas-Gallart reported that Cassidy Sugimoto, President of ISSI, approached him concerning potentially organizing an ENID/ISSI joint conference in 2019. ISSI already decided that its conference would take place in Rome, most likely in the first half of September 2019.

Experience shows that participant numbers goes down in those years in which also ISSI (as well as the Atlanta Conference) takes place.

Jordi Molas-Gallart presented three options, which were also discussed during the ENID Board meeting on 5 September 2017.

- Keep the Conferences completely separate.

- Organize them sequentially, one directly following the other.
- Combine the Conferences with alternating main responsibility.

Some concern was raised that combining both conferences could lead to losing the Association's identity as both associations are rather different and should be kept separate incl. their conferences, thus moving towards a bi-annual conference series was mentioned as an alternative option to avoid confusion.

The option of sequential conferences was discarded as un-realistic due to the burden on the organizers and the excessive length of the combined event.

The majority of Members was, however, very open to organize a joint conference under the condition that both associations would be equally visible. It was agreed to respond positively to Cassidy Sugimoto's inquiry and suggest the following: to launch a joint call for a STI/ISSI Conference in 2019 and use this as a trial case. Experiences from this trial would be fed into discussions among members and depending on the success and the satisfaction of both associations, further decisions would be taken. Both associations should be represented in the Conference's Programme as well as Scientific Committee in order to ensure a balanced call and programme reflecting both associations adequately. Specific tracks focussing on ENID topics should be introduced. Approval needs to be obtained from the local organisers. Cinzia Daraio, who will be in charge of ISSI 2019 already signalled agreement but referred to the need to seek official approval also from the ISSI Board. Jordi Molas-Gallart will respond to Cassidy Sugimoto and suggest discussing the issue further during ISSI 2017. Sybille Hinze, who will attend ISSI 2017, will get in contact with Cassidy Sugimoto and the ISSI Board and present and discuss ENID's suggestions.

Additional suggestions were made addressing a better balance in the ENID's conference programme with regard to multiple authorships. Reference was made to recent practices by the 4S Conference series, which limits the number of presentations per first author/presenter. It was agreed that this would also be beneficial to the STI conference series.

It was discussed additional efforts should be made to enhance the interaction with policy makers; the conference series should increasingly serve as a forum to engage with policy makers. Invited papers by policy makers were mentioned as an option to realize this intention.

c. 2020 – Proposal for a joint conference with ISSI in Brazil

Jordi Molas-Gallart reported that he was approached by Abel Packer (SciELO) offering to host STI2020. While members were convinced that the Brazilian colleagues would be highly qualified to successfully host the event (references were made to a previous, very successful ISSI conference in Rio de Janeiro) it was agreed that the preference is to keep the conference primarily in Europe. Efforts should be made to find an institution in Europe that would be willing to organize STI2020. The first candidate to approach is Aarhus (Jesper Schneider). Alternative possibilities for collaboration with Brazil were discussed, including a jointly organised smaller event. No decision was taken on this respect.

4. Report on finances (Treasurer)

Rigas Arvanitis reported that the ENID account remained untouched and thus unchanged.

5. Election of ENID board, president, treasurer, secretary

In line with the ENID statutes, elections were due. A number of recent board members were not re-electable due to the rules laid out in the statutes. According to the statutes the "Association is directed by a board of directors of at least 5 members elected for 2 years by the general assembly from among its members. Elected members of the board of directors can be re-elected a maximum of two consecutive times". The President "is elected by the general assembly for 2 years and can be re-elected". (He) "cannot serve for more than four consecutive years" According to the newly approved statutes there are no limits as to the re-eligibility of the treasurer and the secretary.

President

Candidate: Jordi Molas-Gallart

Jordi Molas-Gallart was elected unanimously by the members present.

Treasurer

Candidate: Rigas Arvanitis

Rigas Arvanitis was elected unanimously by the members present.

Secretary

Candidate: Sybille Hinze

Sybille Hinze was elected unanimously by the members present.

Candidates for the board:

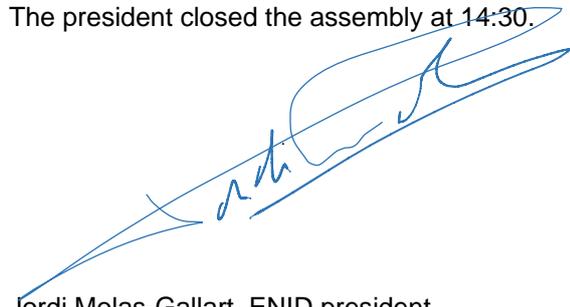
Nicolas Carayol, Wolfgang Glänzel, Hugo Hollander, Wolfgang Polt, Thomas Scherngell, Gunnar Sivertsen, Thed van Leeuwen

Candidates for the board were elected unanimously by the members present.

In the discussion the gender-imbalance of the board was critically highlighted and, it was asked that - anticipating the next election - potential candidates should be approached ensuring a more gender-balanced board.

6. Varia

The president closed the assembly at 14:30.



Jordi Molas-Gallart, ENID president



Sybille Hinze, ENID secretary