

EES 2019 Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, 16 January, 2019

Virtual means

PCC, C-IN premises, 5.kvetna 65, Prague 4, Czech Republic

Time: 17:30 – 18:30

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the **European Evaluation Society**, an association, having its corporate seat in 's-Gravenhage, and office at Johannes Vermeerplein 11, 1071 DV Amsterdam, registered with the Trade Register of the 's-Gravenhage Chamber of Commerce under number 40413697, hereinafter to be referred to as the **Association** or the **EES**. 2019.

As Chairperson of the Meeting acted Bastiaan de Laat, President of the EES

1) Welcome

The Chairperson opened the Meeting and declared:

- that this is an Annual General Meeting held by virtual electronical means, as per the EES' Statutes, Art. 16, paragraph 1;
- that in the notice to convene this meeting all issues to be acted upon have been stated, in particular, the election results of a new EES Board member for a 4-year term starting from this AGM.

The Chairperson introduced other presenters: *Secretary General* – Karin Kohlweg, *Treasurer* – Laura Fantini.

The Chairperson presented the AGM Agenda, which was approved by the Meeting.

2) Approval of the General Meeting Minutes 2018

The Secretary General presented the minutes from the previous Annual General Meeting, which took place during the Biennial Conference in Thessaloniki, on 4th October 2018. The minutes were distributed in advance and presented to the AGM attendees

- The minutes were unanimously approved by the 2019 Annual General Meeting.

3) Annual Report 2018:

The Chairperson stated the highlights of 2018 and EES Membership overview

- *13th EES Biennial Conference in Thessaloniki, 1.-5. October 2018*
- *Membership Overview 16.1.2019, including a list of Institutional members*
- *Membership Trend – in absolute numbers, Progress by Month and Membership Trend*
- *Voluntary Evaluator Peer Review (VEPR) - an EES member service*

4) Finances/ Annual accounts 2016, 2017 results

The Chairperson presented the provisional Profit and Loss account for 2017 and compared the data with the financial statement of 2016. The Chairperson informed that the EES finances for 2016 and 2017 have not been audited yet. The Chairperson advised that he has been in touch with the auditor directly and there are still some documents missing. The reports are expected to be finalised in the upcoming days or weeks. The audit reports will be announced during the next AGM, including an account for 2018. The Treasurer remarked that the accounts have not been approved and that the accounts are on positive balance.

5) Announcement of election results for EES Board member

The Secretary General announced the results of the EES Board member Elections 2019, which were held by electronic means only as per article 16, paragraph 3 of the EES Statutes:

1 Board member position to be filled as of 16 January 2019; following the call for nomination, 4 Candidates were nominated (Tom Ling, Diliah Mutambara, Mads Teisen and Patrik Willot) by the EES members. Tom Ling (38 votes) was elected as the new board member and thanked the EES members for the votes and the Board for the smooth process of the elections.

The Chairperson congratulated the new board member and thanked all the candidates, encouraging them to further engage in the EES activities.

The Secretary General advised on the next elections. There are going to be 4 vacant positions towards the end of the year.

6) New Thematic Working Group – Methodology

The new TWG 6 Methodology and Designs was proposed by Sven Harten and Jörg Faust from DEval. The initial announcement was made during the conference in Thessaloniki. In the meantime, they produced a business plan, which will be shortly published on the EES website. The Chairman addressed the topic as very important in evaluation. Jos Vaessen, the EES Board Member, commented that the TWG already has a strong endorsement from several EES institutional members and he looks forward to supporting the group.

On this occasion the Chairperson also updated the AGM attendees on the new leader of TWG 1 Gender and Evaluation, Petra Nováková, and stated that there will also be a change in the leading of TWG 3 Private Sector. The current leader Fredrik Korfker proposed José Carbajo for his replacement.

7) AOB

Janet Inyang inquired about the bursary recipients, who missed the opportunity to attend the Thessaloniki conference due to the visa challenge in Nigeria. The Chairperson advised that he will discuss this issue with the Board and follow up later.

Diliah Mutambara asked about the details on how to join the new TWG 6. The Chairperson asked the Secretariat to share the details via message.