Report of the EAWOP Constituent Council (CC) meeting

OSLO, Wednesday 20 May 2015

EAWOP’s Executive Committee (EC) met Constituents’ representatives at the Oslo Congress Center, room Balder, on Wednesday 20 May 2015, from 14.00 to 16.00. The following issues were discussed:

• The General Secretary announced the EAWOP activities during the Oslo Congress, among which the breakfast with the President and different social hours. He also informed the CC about the lifetime contribution award that will be given at the Opening Ceremony and the awards for best poster and papers at the Closing Ceremony.
• The EAWOP president described the status of the Alliance between the three work and organizational psychology associations: EAWOP, IAAP and SIOP.
• The 2015 WorkLab in Nuremberg, Germany was announced. The concept and the aims of the WorkLab for practitioners and report on the 2014 WorkLab in Vilnius, Lithuania was described.
• The next early career Summer School in Birmingham, UK in September, 2016 was announced.
• Changes in the EAWOP website, including the new facility to pay fees online via PayPal and additional pages and sections were explained.
• An update on the Specialist Certificate in Work and Organizational Psychology was presented. The Guide for Implementation, FAQs, the two Application forms and the Letter of recognition for applicants have been finalized, approved and are now available from the website.
• The 7th issue of EAWOP E-Journal is now available and a call for papers for a Special Edition on “Workplace Innovation” will soon be made.
• Three Small Group Meetings for 2015 are scheduled:
  o Norwich, UK, September 14th – 15th
  o Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium, September 13th – 15th
  o University of Vienna, Austria, September 16th – 18th
• General Secretary described a proposal for a new membership category of “Associate Constituents”. The aim is to allow associations that cannot be full members to benefit from association with EAWOP. Associate Constituents will not have voting rights but will be able to participate in Constituent activities and be kept informed of events and developments in EAWOP.
• Presentations were made from two of the constituents in waiting - Turkish constituent (TPA), and the Portuguese association (APPOCO). The representative from Order of Portuguese Psychologists (OPP) was unable to attend the CC meeting.

• The next EAWOP Congress will be held in Dublin in 2017 hosted by the Psychological Society of Ireland at University College Dublin (17th-20th May).