

Reports from the 50th and 51st ANSE Board Meetings, February and April 2012, Vienna

BM 50 – Vienna, February 2012

With its 50th BM ANSE marked a board jubilee, which appropriately took place in Vienna, the very centre of Europe. Yet, however festive the occasion was, there also was a lot of work waiting to be dealt with. The most important topics were the shift of the treasury to Eva Nemes, the preparations for the ANSE President Meeting of April 2012 in Vienna and the 14th General Assembly of September 2012 in Berlin.

As for budget reasons the GA from 2010 on will only convene once every second year the statutes needed to be adjusted. In the slipstream of this discussion the board also discussed new rules for the financing of the ANSE summer universities and other future projects. The board also conducted preliminary discussions on the role and contribution of ANSE in upcoming conferences, such as the English spoken DGSv / ANSE "Crossroads in Europe" conference, to be staged this fall in Berlin. Lastly the format and contents of the next Presidents Meeting were discussed.

BM 51 – Vienna, April 2012

The 51st BM was largely devoted to the final preparations for the Presidents Meeting of 2012, which was planned to take place immediately afterwards.

In view of this the board overviewed the organisational structure of ANSE and the roles and responsibilities of – respectively – the General Assembly and the Presidents Meeting. The board also devised schemes to enhance communication within the ANSE network.

Other topics were the management of contacts with sister organisations, such as EASC and EMCC, and the importance of quality management and how to get this on a more European level. The board also spent considerable attention to research; most notably to the question how to enhance exchange of research data between national organisations. To add this all up, the BM was concluded with a run down of the topics, the agenda and the pp presentation of the Presidents Meeting.

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