

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
EUROMONTANA  
4.10.2007  
Piatra Neamt, Romania**



**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

AGROM-RO, Romania - Jozsef-GEZA DOSA  
AGROM-RO, Romania – Levente SZIKSZAI  
AGROM-RO, Romania – Lucian BLAGA  
AJDMM, Romania – Tiberiu STEF  
APCA, France – Sylvain LHERMITTE  
ARPE Midi-Pyrénées, France – Thierry PERCIE DU SERT  
Buskerud County Council, Norway – Kay H. BJERKE  
Buskerud Fylkeskommune, Norway - Kay H. BJERKE  
CEFIDEC, Romania – Danut GITAN  
Consejería de Medio Ambiente y Desarrollo Rural, Dirección General De Desarrollo General, España  
- Fernandez RUIBAL FRANCISCO  
Diputación de Teruel Oficina de Programas UE, Spain – Francisco FOJ  
Diputación de Teruel Oficina de Programas UE, Spain - Ismael BRNCHAT  
Diputación de Teruel Oficina de Programas UE, Spain – Javier HUERTAS  
FNSEA, France – Pierre SAVY  
Gobierno de Asturias, Spain – Jaime IZQUIERDO  
Habitate, Teruel, Spain  
Highland and Island Enterprise – Frank GASKELL  
IKT, Gobierno Vasco, País Vasco – Juanan GUTIERREZ  
Montana-Borsec, Romania – Robert VAICAR  
Norwegian Mountain Network, Norway - Ivar REINTON  
Oppland County Council, Norway –  
Oppland County Council, Norway – Reidun GRAVDAHL  
Oppland fylkeskommune, Norway – Reidun GRAVDAHL  
Provincia di Belluno, Italia – Giuseppe PELLEGRINI  
Romontana, Romania - Adrian RADU REY  
ROMONTANA, Romania – Marinache VIOREL  
Sogn og Fjordane County Council, Norway – Tor BREMER  
Svaz marginálních oblastí, Czech Republic – Petr KROGMAN  
UCCIMAC  
UCCIMAC, France - Jacques-Henry POINTEAU  
UHI Millennium Institute, Scotland – Martin PRICE  
Union of Marginal Areas, Czech Republic – Milan BOLESLAV

**SENATORS:**

Annie BENAROUS  
Radu REY

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Kristiina URPALAINEN, Director  
Cécile LEVRET, Projects Director  
Marie GUITTON, Interim Project Manager

## **1 Activity Report 2006**

After a brief presentation by the Director the final Activity Report for the year 2006 was **approved**.

## **2 Financial Balance 2006 and Report of the Official French Accounts Controller (in addition to the Auditor's Report)**

The Financial Balance for 2006 was presented by the Director, and **approved** in all its parts as presented. The Auditor's report and the report of the Official French Accounts controller were presented by the Director and **approved**.

In consequence the General Assembly approved the operations referred to in these accounts and **gave discharge** to the members of the board and accounts controller in respect of the execution of their mandate within the period referred to. The General Assembly **decided** to transfer the surplus of the balance closed on 31.12.2006 to the account "previous reports".

## **3 Report of the Internal Financial Control Commission for the financial year 2006**

The Director presented the Report of the Internal Financial Control Commission on behalf of Jorg Wyder for PDRZG.

In the report the PDRZG recommended creating a fund with the surplus of the year 2006. The report noted that the accounts were effectively closed on 31. Finally the report recommended that the General Assembly be presented with the budget of 2008 and not just the current year 2007.

The report was approved and the recommendations of the Commission were **noted and remitted to the Director for appropriate action**.

## **4 Voting for the new internal financial control commission**

Joerg Wyder has informed the Director that he will be retiring from his duty as the internal financial controller. Therefore the General Assembly selected a new Internal Financial Control Committee, consisting of:

- Antonio Machado, ADRAT, Portugal
- Kay H. Bjerke, Buskerud Fylkeskommune, Norway
- Jacques-Henry Pointeau, UCCIMAC, France

The role of the internal control commission is to offer strategic advice on financial management to the director, board and General Assembly of Euromontana and to provide a strategic oversight of the accounting.

## **5. Preliminary activity report 2007**

After a presentation by the President and explanation by the Director the preliminary activity report for the year 2007 was **approved**. It was noted that the report was merely a draft and the final version would be presented to the General Assembly of 2008 since several activities had not yet finished by the time of the General Assembly 2007.

In connection with the approval of the Activity Report the General Assembly **confirmed** the acceptance the following new members of Euromontana in 2007:

- Asociación Pais Romanico - Coordinator Group "Mover Montañas", Spain
- Habitate, Asociación de Entidade por la Poblacion de Teruel, Spain
- Asociația AGROMRO – Centre de Formation en Agriculture, Romania
- Fundazia Adept Transilvania, Romania
- CNIEL (Centre National Interprofessionnel de l'Economie Latiere), France
- L'APAMAC—Association pour la Promotion de l'Artisanat du Massif Central, France

## **6 Projected Balance 2007**

The projected balance for 2007 was presented by the Director and **approved**.

## **7 Indicative Work Programme for 2007-2008**

The Work Programme for 2007-2008 was presented by the Director and **approved in outline**.

## **8 Provisional Budget 2008**

The provisional budget for 2008 was **approved** as presented by the Director.

## **9 Annual Member Awards 2006 for excellent performance**

The Board had constituted a system of annual member awards for good performance to be handed out by the decision of the President. The following were awarded for 2006:

Mountain Support Award 2006: Lars Hustveit, Sogn og Fjordane Fylkeskommune, Norway and Juanan Gutierrez, IKT, Spain

Pinnacle Award 2006: Antonio Machado, ADRAT, Portugal

Volcano Award 2006: Radu Rey, Senator of Euromontana

Peak Award 2006: UHI, Scotland (Martin Price)

## **10 Adoption of a declaration calling for the preparation of a Green Paper on the European Mountains**

The Declaration on the Mountain Green Paper was discussed, voted upon and approved as presented to the General Assembly, and hence **adopted** by the General Assembly.

Signed and verified



Frank Gaskell  
President