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Date and time of meeting: **Thursday 25 June 2020**

Chairman: **Prof. J.M.C. (Arjan) MOL - *EFC President***

Secretary: **Mrs. Pascale Bridou Buffet -*Paris Office***

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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATORS
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BoA Members

Prof. Mário **FERREIRA** (Portugal) - **Elected Member**
 Prof. Damien **FÉRON** (France) - **Past-President**
 Dr. Patrick **KEIL** (Germany) - **Elected Member**
 Dr. Milan **KOURIL** (Czech Republic) - **Elected Member**
 Dr. Agnieszka **KRÓLIKOWSKA** (Poland) - **Elected Member**
 Dr. Bálint **MEDGYES** (Hungary) - **Elected Member - EUROCORR 2021**
 Prof. J.M.C. Arjan **MOL** (The Netherlands) - **President**
 Prof. Marie-Georges (also known as Marjorie) **OLIVIER** (Belgium) - **Founder Member Society - EUROCORR 2020**
 Prof. Edoardo **PROVERBIO** (Italy) - **Elected Member**
 Mr. Marcel **ROCHE** (France) - **Elected Member**
 Dr. Patrik **SCHMUTZ** (Switzerland) - **Elected Member**
 Dr. Joerg **VOGELSANG** (Germany) - **Vice-President**

Ex Officio Representatives

Dr. Roman **BENDER** - Scientific Secretary (Germany)
 Mrs. Julija **BUGAJEVA** - Honorary Treasurer (United Kingdom)
 Prof. Wolfram **FÜRBETH** - Chairman of the STAC (Germany)
 Dr. Hélène **ILLAIRE** - Managing Officer (France)

Frankfurt Office (Germany):

Mrs. Ines **HONNDORF**
 Prof. Willi **MEIER** - **Founder Member Society - Bid EUROCORR 2022**

London Office (United Kingdom):

Dr. Gareth **HINDS** - **Founder Member Society**

Paris Office (France):

Mrs. Pascale **BRIDOU BUFFET**
 Prof. Philippe **MARCUS** - **Founder Member Society - Bid EUROCORR 2023**

Guest(s) and Observer(s):

Dr. Marta **MOHEDANO SANCHEZ** (Spain) - **Young EFC**
 Dr. Tomáš **PROŠEK** (Czech Republic)

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Item 1 Opening of the meeting

Prof. Arjan Mol, President of the EFC and Chairman of the meeting, opened the meeting and welcomed the delegates present.

Item 2 Apologies for Absence

None.

Item 3 Approval of the Agenda and Adoption of the Minutes of the last Meeting

3-1 The proposed agenda was approved.

3-2 The minutes of the previous Webinar Meeting that took place on 31 March 2020 were approved.

Item 4 EUROCORR Series: 2020 to 2023

4-1 *EUROCORR 2020 and Coronavirus crisis: latest Evolutions (MO, WM)*

EUROCORR 2020, which was scheduled to take place on 6th to 10th of September in Brussels, Belgium, is cancelled in its physical format, due to the International COVID-19 crisis and is replaced by a **virtual EUROCORR**, which will take place from **7 - 11 September 2020**.

Appendix 1 present the official letter sent by VOM (Belgian member society) in May 2020 to the speakers, partners and delegates. This letter is also the EFC website, see <https://efcweb.org/Events/Calendar+of+events/EUROCORR.html>

During the last BoA webinar meeting that took place on 31 March 2020, Prof. Willi Meier proposed that DECHEMA will work hard to organize the virtual event in liaison with EFC, with DECHEMA being equipped or willing to develop appropriate tools.

Due to the decision to organise a Virtual EUROCORR in 2020, the BoA also agreed in the same BoA meeting of 31 March 2020 that the organisation of a physical EUROCORR in Brussels would be postponed to 2023.

Belgian organisers were requested to explore this possibility which could give them the advantage to reuse some arrangements and to foresee some financial compensation in the near future.

Prof. Marjorie Olivier informed the BoA that the Belgian organisers would be pleased to host EUROCORR in 2023 and presented the preliminary proposed arrangements, see **Appendix 2**. As planned for 2020, she announced that the location will be SQUARE (Brussels Meeting Centre) and the event will take place from **27 to 31 August 2023**. The Belgian partners would be the same: VOM, VUB, UMONS, Materia Nova, and they have also decided to continue to work with GUARANT as PCO which would be able to support a hybrid/virtual version of EUROCORR. They also registered the domain EUROCORR2023.

She also underlined that the financial loss due to the cancellation of the physical event is €24,165 (promotion, prints, web, graphics and Mailing) + €8,000 for room rental, adding up to a total of €32,165, without counting the work time of Prof. Marjorie Olivier, Mrs. Veerle Fincken and Prof. Hermann Terryn.

She concluded with the presentation of the provisional registration fees and the different partnership level, see Page 3 of Appendix 2.

Then, Prof. Willi Meier reported on the current status of the Virtual EUROCORN 2020.

First, he mentioned that a contract should be signed with EFC to define its involvement and the allocation of the levy. He proposed that this contract, after finalization following initial discussions within the PAC, would be distributed to BoA Members for an e-mail voting process within approximately two weeks after this virtual BoA-meeting of 25 June 2020, also given the upcoming summer break.

He explained that DECHEMA has had to set up the platform, the budget, the sponsor package and the Exhibition platform. In parallel, they are asking the Plenary Speakers to confirm their participation to the Virtual version as well as the authors for the deadline of 30 June. After this key date, the number of participants should be clearer and should permit to set up an updated provisional budget for this event.

At the date of the meeting, the participation seems promising with 2 thirds of responding authors having confirmed their participation.

Then, he presented a provisional budget, see **Appendix 3**, for which, the net balance is expected to be slightly positive.

Expenses:

- He explained that the number of licences needed for ZOOM would depend on the number of sessions of the scientific program;
- k€50 are entered in the budget for the work to be done by the people working for this event at DECHEMA and k€26 for the scientific management of the program;
- At this stage the EUROCORN Levy is estimated to be k€10,5.

Incomes:

Considering the number of authors who already have confirmed their participation, a total of k€105 is estimated for the registration incomes.

He continued explaining that the virtual rooms would be defined in the middle of July as well as the Exhibition platform.

He concluded proposing to develop such format for future EFC Events.

The EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, addressed thanks to Prof. Marjorie Olivier and Prof. Willi Meier for their presentations and proposed to organise the discussions in 3 parts.

1. Belgian organisers involvement in the Virtual EUROCORN 2020

On behalf of the Belgian organisers, Prof. Marjorie Olivier expressed regrets that the team of local organisers have not been contacted to be involved in the preparation of the Virtual Event, including the preparation of the budget and the contact with Plenary Speakers they initially invited. In addition, the virtual scientific program will be set up on the basis of the call for papers initially conducted for the physical EUROCORN 2020 in Brussels. She also reminded the financial loss resulting from the cancellation of EUROCORN 2020 in Belgium and asked of a possible financial compensation and that DECHEMA will not charge more than k€26 for the management of the scientific program for the 2023 edition.

Regarding the courses planned to be organised in Brussels, she agreed to inform DECHEMA if they would be maintained. If yes, they could be proposed with a separate registration form. She explained that confirmation will be asked to the partners but they would probably want to postpone the courses to 2023.

Prof. Willi Meier agreed to discuss possible involvement of the Belgian organisers and DECHEMA will make proposals in the next coming days on tasks which could be taken in charge by the Belgian team. He already indicated that DECHEMA wishes to discuss the coordination with the Belgian organisers regarding the organisation of the plenary sessions and the invitation of the plenary speakers initially invited. He also asked Prof. Marjorie Olivier to make proposals on tasks which can be taken on by the Belgian team.

2. *Proposed fees*

Dr. Patrick Keil shared that he was contacted by others who find that the registration fees are too high for a virtual event, and underlined that the consequence could be that senior authors would shift their presentations to students.

Other online events (e.g. from ISE) are less expensive or even free for members, and the virtual EUROCORN will be in competition with many other online events.

It was answered that due to the high quality of past EUROCORNs as well the proposed virtual EUROCORN 2020 format it would not be a good signal to propose low registration fees. In addition, participants will not have no travel and no accommodation expenses. It has also to be noted that, with this format, the participants would have access to more presentations because they have the possibility to have access to all the oral sessions when they must make a choice when EUROCORN is held in a physical format with parallel sessions.

The BoA agreed that the level of registration, see **Appendix 4**, proposed is reasonable.

Dr. Agnieszka Królikowska confirmed that the fees for student authors can and should be lower than that for regular participants, possibly even more around €150 instead of €100 as proposed now for presenting students. In addition, she remarked that this virtual format would give chance to faraway people to participate because they would not have travel and accommodation costs. She recommended to make efforts to promote EUROCORN 2020 in faraway countries. She also requested the possibility that the registered participants could have access to the records of the conferences a long time after the conference.

Prof. Willi Meier answered that it is already the case in the EUROCORN restricted area of the EFC Website and that DECHEMA plan to record the full sessions in all but will depend of the authorisation of the authors. He underlined that actually the fees published are not including VAT that would certainly be added later.

The necessity to collect the authorisation from presenters for the recording of their lecture was underlined, also in line with a possible advantage of the virtual event to have the presentations also accessible after the event.

Dr. Jörg Vogelsang recommended that the option to record presentations in advance instead of presenting live must be an exception. Prof. Willi Meier remarked, however, that authors need to have the right equipment and digital access in order to be able to present live from home. In case they don't have this equipment, recorded lectures might even be a better solution.

Anyway, due to the new format and late phase of the process of organisation we are in at present, Dr. Tomáš Prošek underlined that it is difficult to modify the of registration fees, these being already published. The experience of this virtual EUROCORN would permit to adapt the fees for the future.

Prof. Philippe Marcus remarked that it might be difficult to attract people from Asia due to the time difference and that it would be possible that with one registration, so one connection, many people could follow together the event in the same room. He underlined that the EUROCORNs proceedings are reserved one year to the members of the EFC Members Societies via the restricted areas of their own website and that it is one of the benefits to be an EFC Member. Dr. Jörg Vogelsang underlined that this could encourage people indeed to become member of a member Society.

3. *Contract EFC-DECHEMA*

Due to this new format of the EUROCORN Event for 2020, The EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, insisted on the necessity to have a mutual understanding between the EFC and the DECHEMA in order to define the modus operandi of the participation of the EFC and to fix the levy for this virtual EUROCORN. Prof Willi Meier proposed that the levy would be

10% of paying registrations. Prof. Arjan Mol indicated that this may need to increase if the event turns out to be more successful, i.e. beyond break-even; in that case e.g. an equally shared profit between DECHEMA and EFC could be envisaged.

Prof. Willi Meier will report this request to DECHEMA and propose to set up a group inside the BoA, i.e. members of the President Advisory Committee, in order to enable the negotiation with DECHEMA in the two coming weeks to elaborate and define the financial aspects and boundary conditions between DECHEMA and EFC. The BoA Members would be asked to vote on the final version by an email voting process, at the latest mid-July.

He reminded that this reflection would be easier the week after the meeting when all authors will have confirmed their participation to this virtual event as already explained.

Dr. Marta Mohedano Sanchez asked on the possibility to collect new abstracts.

Dr. Roman Bender answered that the only possibility is to promote a late Call for Posters. Dr. Jörg Vogelsang argued that with this virtual format, posters would have a stronger impact but it is necessary to fix a deadline. Dr. Gareth Hinds underlined that a new call for presentations and posters could permit to enlarge the audience. Prof. Wolfram Fürbeth specified that it would be difficult to involve again the Working Party Chairmen because they have already a lot of work for the moment to adapt the program of their sessions and the time to the actual event is very limited also considering the summer break.

4.2 EUROCORR 2021 - Budapest (Hungary) - Report on Preliminary Arrangements (BM)

EUROCORR 2021 will be held on **19th to 23rd of September 2021** in **Budapest** Congress Centre, Hungary. The general theme will be **"Materials Science and Advanced Technologies for Better Corrosion Protection"**.

Dr. Bálint Medgyes reported that no significant progress occurred since the last virtual BoA Meeting held on 31 March.

Appendix 5 provides the current status on progress of the preliminary arrangements for EUROCORR 2021.

He explained that the agreement between the Hungarian organisers and DECHEMA is currently in preparation.

Page 2 of Appendix 5 presents all the rooms available and rented for the Congress and he specified that 3 rooms are located in a separate building, the Larus Event Center, located 5 minutes walking distance from the Congress Center.

The local organizers are currently working to promote EUROCORR 2021 to attract sponsors.

The deadlines proposed in page 2 of Appendix 5, will be reviewed in cooperation with DECHEMA which will manage the scientific program. Dr. Patrick Keil suggested that it would be better to delay the deadline for abstract submission somewhat, e.g. one week later if possible, i.e. to the last week of January, as it would give more chance to attract people from industry as well as academia given the extended New Year break in the first half of January typically, which limits the time available for abstract preparation and discussion amongst co-authors and industrial / legal clearance of abstracts prior to submission.

4-3 EUROCORR 2022 - Berlin (Germany) - Initial Progress Report (WM)

EUROCORR 2022 will be held in **Berlin** at ESTREL Hotel & Congress Centre, on **28 August to 1st September 2022**.

Dr. Roman Bender announced that the motto of EUROCORR 2022 will be **"Corrosion in a changing world - Energy, Mobility, Digitalization"** and will take place in the heart of Berlin at the Maritim Hotel Berlin. The event will be organised by GfKORR (Society for Corrosion

Protection) and DECHEMA (Society for Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology) with probably the involvement of the Society of Cathodic Protection which must be confirmed.

4-4 EUROCORR 2023: Consequences of Coronavirus crisis for the Call for Bids (AM)

The EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, reminded that, at the deadline of 15 January 2020, the Frankfurt Office had received three bids for EUROCORR 2023 as follows:

- Austria (Salzburg);
- France (Paris);
- Norway (Stavanger).

Due to the cancellation of EUROCORR 2020 in its physical format, during the Webinar BoA Meeting that took place on 31 March 2020, the BoA Members agreed that priority will be given to the Belgium organisers to postpone the physical EUROCORR event to 2023.

This solution presents the advantage for the EUROCORR 2020 organisers to reuse some arrangements and to foresee some financial compensation in the near future.

The BoA envisaged that the EUROCORR 2023 bidders will be asked if they can renew their bid for 2024, and, in that case, no call for bid will be sent out for 2024. If only one or two bidders remain, it can be considered that those will at least be invited for oral presentation of an updated EUROCORR 2024 bid.

Prof. Marjorie Olivier reminded the presentation of the proposed organisation of EUROCORR 2023 in Brussels as shown in Appendix 2 and that Guarant, the PCO, is already developing a tool for virtual events that could be used for that edition of EUROCORR if necessary.

She reminder that it was already planned to organise an e-poster session for EUROCORR 2020 if it would have taken place in Brussels and so is the plan for EUROCORR 2023.

Dr. Jörg Vogelsang remarked that the organisation of a potential virtual EUROCORR in 2023 may not need to be fixed with Guarant in order to have more flexibility in the choice of the provider because it may be considered beneficial to both EFC and local organisers to have continuity in the organisation of the different editions of EUROCORR. In addition, the local organisers may still wish to compare costs of the proposals from Guarant and DECHEMA for 2023 and not fix themselves as yet to one provider only so far ahead of the event.

The BoA agreed that the principle of an e-poster session could be organised during a physical edition of EUROCORR 2023, but the organisation of virtual EUROCORRs must be envisaged only for exceptional situation: the current base standpoint is that EUROCORRs will be organised as a physical event. A hybrid version could be considered to permit the participation of delegates who could have difficulties to obtain visa.

He also proposed that the possibility of virtual events organised by Guarant, DECHEMA or a different PCO could be discussed by the TF EFC Strategy (lead by Dr. Jörg Vogelsang). For now, the local organizers of granted EUROCORR events are allowed to organize the event according to the EFC regulations valid upon granting the event, but may opt to implement new plans if in agreement with new advices of the TF EFC Strategy.

During the virtual President Advisory Committee Meeting (PACM) that took place on 24 June 2020, it was proposed that the 3 bidders for 2023 should be informed that the call for bids for EUROCORR 2023 is cancelled, and should be provided an official cancellation letter from EFC which would be prepared by the Frankfurt Office to be sent as soon as possible in the coming days.

Mrs. Pascale Bridou Buffet, Paris Office, reminded that, usually, the call for bid is announced in October or November, and the deadline for the submission of bids is in mid-January of the following year. She also pointed out that during the General Assembly (GA) in September 2020, Member Societies should be informed whether they will be invited to submit a bid for the organisation of EUROCORR in 2024. With the letter of cancellation of the EUROCORR 2023 evaluation, the bidders are also requested to indicate before the next September BoA whether

they intend to prepare an updated bid for EUROCORR 2024. During the September BoA meeting, this feedback will be discussed and the EUROCORR 2024 bid and selection process be defined in detail. The GA will then also be informed accordingly.

Prof. Philippe Marcus expressed regret that France cannot renew its bid for 2024 due to the hard work of negotiation made upstream to present the bid with attractive fees for this edition envisaged in Paris with no possibility of postponement for the following year. As an example, he negotiated more than k€100 of sponsorship obtained from the Congress Center. He also reminded that the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games are scheduled in France in 2024 so that it would be impossible to organise a EUROCORR in the same period.

He also underlined that, EUROCORR in its format of the last 10 years, had never been organised in Paris and he was convinced that it would have been a great success. Prof. Arjan Mol, on behalf of the BoA, expressed his sympathy with Prof. Philippe Marcus and his colleagues involved in this bid for this unfortunate situation caused by the Covid-19 crisis.

Item 5 Administrative Matters

5-1 Strategic Plan (JV)

A preliminary draft of a Strategic Plan for the period of 2019 - 2023, prepared by Dr. Jörg Vogelsang, was presented during the BoA Meeting that took place in Seville, Spain, in September 2019. During the PACM, that took place on 9 July 2019 in Paris, a Task Force (TF) composed of the Scientific Secretary, Dr. Roman Bender, the STAC Chairman, Dr. Wolfram Fürbeth and lead by the Vice-President, Dr. Jörg Vogelsang was set up.

Appendix 6 provides the last version proposed by Dr. Jörg Vogelsang following discussions organised after the BoA Meeting that took place on 31 March 2020.

An e-mail voting process was conducted by the Paris Office after this meeting and the Strategic Plan was approved with 13 votes in favor and 2 abstentions.”

Dr. Jörg Vogelsang recommended to put it into action, in particular the action holders.

He estimated that if 70 to 80 % of this EFC Strategic Plan would be achieved, it would be a good challenge and outcome.

5-2 Business Plan (HI, JB)

During the PACM that took place in Frankfurt on 17 December 2019, PAC members agreed that a Business Plan is necessary to ensure the availability of the financial resources to implement the actions needed to reach the goals of the Strategic Plan.

An action was placed on Dr. Hélène Illaire (Managing Officer), Prof. Willi Meier (Frankfurt Office), and Mrs. Julija Bugajeva (Honorary Treasurer), to prepare a business plan with different scenarios, in line with the EFC Strategic Plan.

The elaboration of a Business Plan was planned to be discussed at the PACM, organised on 24 June 2020, on the basis of the proposed Strategic Plan.

The Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. Julia Bugajeva, explained that due to the current situation, it is extremely difficult to predict the EFC budget for even this, but also next year and the years after and depends on various factors mostly related to Covid-19 restrictions which are even difficult to foresee for the coming months. Indeed, we do not know actually when the travel restrictions will be lifted and what would be the consequences on the organisation of EUROCORR 2021.

However, she presented proposals of provisional budgets for the years 2021 to 2024 based on the current insights and assumptions, see **Appendix 7**. Additional incomes could be envisaged a.o. with the development of webinar events.

The EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, congratulated Mrs. Julija Bugajeva for these proposals given the clear difficulty to have high budget accuracy for the near future. These budgets will be regularly updated according to the evolution of the international situation. An e-mail voting process will be organised after the meeting by the Paris Office for approval of these provisional budgets.

Before preparing further options for the business plan, the strategy of the future overall organisation of the EFC (organisation of the General Secretariat and of EUROCORR) should be defined; this discussion will be led by the current EFC Vice-President Dr. Jörg Vogelsang.

5-3 EFC Digital Strategy (WM)

A reflection to implement a Digital Strategy, including especially the website and the digital tools for EUROCORR for the EFC, was initiated by Prof. Willi Meier during the BoA Meeting which took place in Kraków on 28 March 2018 and approved by the BoA.

A Task Force on Digital Strategy, led by Prof. Willi Meier, has been set up composed of the Scientific Secretary, the Vice-President, the Managing Officer and a representative of the Young EFC, to explore the tasks and actions to be undertaken for that purpose.

A Call for Tender was conducted and, at the end of this process, the task was entrusted to the DECHEMA who has already developed such tools.

The EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, reported that the EFC website is almost fully launched, looks very nice and thanked the DECHEMA for the great work made, especially Mrs. Ines Honndorf of the Frankfurt Office.

During the last BoA Meeting, the EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, kindly asked Prof. Willi Meier to provide to the EFC a written form of this Digital Strategy budget announced for €20,000 during the PACM in Frankfurt on 17 December 2019.

During the PACM that took place the day before, PAC members agreed that once the website implementation is complete, the corresponding invoice should be sent to the EFC, as a standalone expense.

It has also to be reminded that the minutes of the General Assembly constitute the official archives of the EFC, and thus should include a record of this expense, if not as an invoice then as an official letter.

Mrs. Ines Honndorf informed the BoA Members that a new process of website sign-in has been implemented to have access to the EFC Website Restricted Area. This method is reminded and presented in Item 7-2 of the Working Papers.

Further to a question of Dr. Milan Kouril on the access to the proceedings of the past EUROCORRs, that he didn't find, Mrs. Ines Honndorf agreed to send the new link to the EFC Member Societies to permit their members to access to this area.

Mrs. Ines Honndorf also reminded BoA Member that she will be pleased to receive suggestion(s) to improve the new EFC website if any.

5-4 EFC on Social Media (HI)

The Managing Officer, Dr. Hélène Illaire reported that EFC has been launched on LinkedIn recently, the social media most used by professionals, with the support from the Young EFC.

She underlined that the Young EFC team, and particularly Dr. Marta Mohedano Sanchez, was very helpful to set up this social media, to define a strategy for its visibility and to manage the flow, and she explicitly thanked her for that.

The objective is to create a community of corrosionists on LinkedIn that will give more visibility for the EFC. A small survey showed that half of the BoA Members are using LinkedIn.

Two pages have been implemented on LinkedIn: the EFC Company page, where only a few admins can post official EFC communications, and the Group of EFC page, where anybody can interact on subjects related to scientific and technical aspects of corrosion, and post new jobs and positions related to corrosion.

Appendix 8 provides the EFC page as displayed on LinkedIn. The description of EFC given in this page can be used by members to present the Federation at any event.

She underlined that the Young EFC community is very active with the publication of posts each week.

She thanked Dr. Roman Bender for the publication of the post with the announcement of the next Webinar on Nuclear Corrosion.

At the time of the BoA meeting, the group page includes about 150 members and the EFC page 260 followers.

The tool “Trello” was chosen to manage the workflow of publications, including a reviewing procedure and a planning of the publications to come.

Dr. Hélène Illaire encouraged BoA Members to set up their page and to link the EFC Company page to share publications. She also invited them to invite people to join the page by private messages.

The EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, congratulated the Managing Officer and the Young EFC team for this very good initiative and the work already done and asked that the Virtual EUROCORR 2020 will be published soon in the Event section.

5-5 *Affiliate Membership Program (HI)*

The Managing Officer, Dr. Hélène Illaire, reported that one or two years ago, only 6 Affiliate Members were members of the EFC. With the implementation of the Affiliate Membership Program, there are now 14 Affiliate Members. This is a good progress and this program must be continued. Spanish and Belgian organisers reported their satisfaction with this program. For the edition 2020 of EUROCORR, 4 companies contracted the Affiliate Membership program via the offer Affiliate Membership & Exhibition Booth.

The Frankfurt Office was asked to promote this program for the virtual edition of EUROCORR 2020.

Dr. Roman Bender reported that he received complaints on the process from companies exhibiting since many years. Indeed, they were told by Guarant that they must wait until May to have the possibility to choose their booth. Prof. Marjorie Olivier explained, that the deadline of beginning of May was decided for the allocation of the booths on the basis of the number of points of the Loyalty Program.

She also underlined that half of the exhibitors registered for 2020 are coming via the Affiliate Membership Program with 3 new members.

Prof. Marjorie Olivier expressed regret to not have been informed right away on these complaints because the Belgian local organizing team would certainly have been able to solve the problem.

5-6 *EFC Awards Ceremony for 2020 (WF, AM)*

The EFC Awards Ceremony is usually organised during the EUROCORR of the year including the awarding of diplomas or Medals to recipients and a lecture of the EFC Medal Recipient and Cavallero Medal winner.

Due to the International COVID-19 crisis, and the cancellation of the EUROCORR 2020 in its physical format, the STAC Chairman, Dr. Wolfram Fürbeth, and the EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol, argued the necessity to reconsider the platform offered for the EFC Awards Ceremony now

EUROCORR will be a virtual edition and presented proposal(s) on how to manage the EFC Awards Ceremony 2020.

First of all, it is necessary to make distinctions between the different awards ceremony due to their respective rules.

Indeed, it is not possible to deliver a medal, a diploma or a certificate during a virtual event.

So, for the EFC Medal it would be proposed to the recipient to give a lecture during the Opening Ceremony of the Virtual EUROCORR 2020 and to postpone the laudatio, the receipt of the medal and the diploma next year.

The Honorary Fellow Award recipient will be announced in the EFC Newsletter published in September on the occasion for EUROCORR.

Due to the rules of the Young Scientist Grant, it was proposed to be given as soon as possible because of the visits planned. They will be asked to participate at the EUROCORR 2021 to present their experience.

It was decided to organise the best young scientist poster award and the best oral presentation award during the Virtual EUROCORR 2020 and the process of voting will be published in the Newsletter.

Finally, it would be proposed to the Chair of the Jury of the Cavallaro Award, Prof. Cecilia Monticelli of the Centro Studi Corrosione e Metallurgia "A. Daccò of the University of Ferrara, that the award lecture should be given at the occasion of the Opening Ceremony of this year's Virtual EUROCORR and to postpone just the laudatio, the receipt of the Medal and the Diploma to next year.

The recipients of all the EFC Awards 2020 will be published in the Newsletter of September and Mrs. Ines Honndorf recommended to provide her all the information as soon as possible so that the all contributions will be pass on to "Nouvelle Page" at least of the beginning of July.

5-7 Administrative Procedures and Legal Obligations in Belgium (HI, MO)

A Royal Decree of 30 July 2018 on the operating procedures of the UBO Register entered into force in Belgium on 31 October 2018 following a European Directive whose main aim is to combat money laundering and the financing of terrorism.

Each Member State must now establish a register which will centralize adequate, accurate and current information on the beneficial owners of incorporated companies in Belgium, trusts, foundations and (international) non-profit associations, and legal entities similar to trusts. It is maintained by the SPF Finance, General Treasury Administration. The deadline for providing the information to the UBO register was first set by Belgian authorities to 31st of March 2019, but was postponed to 30 September 2019.

It has to be noted that the UBO is a new law in Belgium which force all societies to establish this register.

The Managing Officer, Dr. Hélène Illaire, reminded that with the renewal of the Board of Administrators at the beginning of 2020, it is mandatory to publish the new composition in the Belgian Gazette. This publication is supported by a Jurist in Brussels who requested a declaration upon Honour of each BoA Member in addition to the previous documents already provided.

Dr. Patrick Keil put forward that, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the management of the private data has to be very secure and proposed they would be encrypted. Dr. Hélène Illaire confirmed to follow up on this issue to make EFC procedures, correspondence and archives GDPR-compliant in the near future.

Dr. Hélène Illaire informed that during the publication procedure in the Moniteur Belge, the jurist also updates the official database "Crossroad Bank for Enterprises" with the new administrators. After this update, the Belgian Office will also update the UBO register with the new administrators.

Item 6 Financial Report (JB)

6-1 Budget for 2020

A Budget for 2020 was presented during the last BoA Meeting that took place on 31 March 2020. However, with the COVID-19 crisis, the BoA Members agreed that the consequences impact not only the EUROCORR 2020 Event, but also the EFC Budget 2020. With a virtual EUROCORR 2020 organised this year, some expenses like travel costs of EFC ex-Officio Representatives, Presidential Dinner, Young-EFC event, will be reduced partly or completely but some incomes are totally unknown like the income of the virtual EUROCORR 2020.

An updated version, prepared after the meeting by the EFC Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. Julija Bugajeva, was distributed by the Paris Office including the explanation below and approved by an e-mail voting process, see **Appendix 9**:

1. Preparations for a virtual version of this year's EUROCORR have started in good spirit. Besides of the content and logistics of a virtual conference, one of the pending actions is the development of the business plan. At this stage it is almost impossible to estimate the income that might be derived from virtual event. Financial planning for 2020 (and 2021) will be subject to updates from the virtual EUROCORR organisation for which the expenses/income are yet to be determined and will need to be reconsidered and re-approved on the fly: probably in the next BoA Meeting.
Furthermore, please note that the budget to be voted during this meeting is based on the information provided by the Honorary Treasurer of the foreseen budget for 2020 during the 31 March virtual BoA meeting. The actual approval of the budget 2020 was done in 2019 at the September BoA and GA; no extra expenditure is proposed which needs approval, just the loss of income and reduction of some expenditure items were presented. So, the budget 2020 presented during the BoA meeting could be considered a worst case scenario with the information available at that time.
2. An EFC Digital System, including new EFC website is expected to cost approx. k€20 and the running cost will be about 10% of the total price, i.e. about k€2 per year. We agree that the rest of the strategic actions budget (approx. k€23) can be allocated to training and course development activities. Related actions on developing actions for training and courses are still under discussion at present.

On the basis of the evolution of the organisation of the Virtual EUROCORR 2020, and the provisional Business Plan for the Virtual EUROCORR 2020, the EFC Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. Julija Bugajeva, explained that the main changes in the Budget for 2020 would be the EUROCORR Levy and the EFC Digital System. At this stage, as explained in item 5-3 and above, the cost of the new EFC Website was fixed to k€20 with a running cost about k€2 per year. Also given the current state of planning EFC training and course activities, i.e. EFC endorsement of existing courses given by EFC Member Societies, the budget allocated for this for 2020 can be put forward to the 2021 budget.

In addition, the EUROCORR Levy is still unknown and will depend on the number of virtual EUROCORR 2020 paying participants and the pending mutual agreement between EFC and DECHEMA.

The 2020 budget will be updated in line with the explanations above and distributed to the BoA Members for an e-mail voting process along with the pending proposed mutual agreement between EFC and DECHEMA for the virtual EUROCORR 2020.

Item 7 EFC Activities

7-1 EFC Publications

7-1.1 EFC Book Series (WF, RB)

The STAC Chairman reported that he recently received 3 agreements from ELSEVIER regarding the following publications in the Green Books series:

- Corrosion under Insulation (CUI) Guidelines, third Edition - Prof. Gino A.J. De Landtsheer
- Mechanical and (Electro)-Chemical Interactions under Tribocorrosion - From Measurements to Modelling for Building a Relevant Monitoring Approach - Prof. Pierre Ponthiaux and Prof. Jean-Pierre Celis
- Nuclear Corrosion: Research, Progress and Challenges – Dr. Stefan Ritter

Prof. Damien Féron announced that a book on '50^h Years of Nuclear Corrosion' is planned to be published next year.

7-1.2 EFC Newsletter (HI, DF)

A meeting between the company NPC (represented mainly by Mr Assant and Mrs Fargeon), Ruth Bingham, Damien Féron, Hélène Illaire, Ines Honndorf, and Douglas Mills took place on 3 December 2019 in Paris Office, where it was discussed on how improving the workflow, the layout and to include advertisements.

The EFC Managing Officer, Dr. Hélène Illaire, reported that it was planned to invite Douglas Mills at the BoA Meeting of 25 June to give him the opportunity to present to the BoA the work he is doing with Ruth Bingham and its views for the future, such as the publication of a directory.

The BoA agreed that it would be more convenient for him to postpone this invitation on the occasion of a next physical BoA Meeting.

In addition, Dr. Hélène Illaire, informed the BoA of a recent request from Douglas Mills and Ruth Bingham to receive financial compensation for the work done this year which cannot be compensate with free access to the EUROCORR 2020.

The BoA agreed on the amount proposed of €750 for each, in line with the advice from the preceding PAC meeting held on June 24.

These sums are already included in the 2020 Budget prepared by the EFC Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. Julija Bugajeva.

7-1.3 Progress with Items/Articles for Publication in the Four EFC Journals (HI, RB)

No significant information were to be presented regarding the publications in the four partner Journals: "**Materials and Corrosion**", "**Corrosion Engineering, Science and Technology (CST)**", "**Matériaux et Techniques**" and "**Ochrona przed Korozją**" ("Corrosion Protection").

On the other hand, Dr. Tomáš Prošek, President of the Association of Czech and Slovak Corrosion Engineers, recently informed the Frankfurt Office that AKI has obtained an approval from the publisher of the journal "Koroze a chrana materiálu" (Corrosion and Material Protection, https://content.sciendo.com/view/journals/kom/kom-overview.xml?tab_body=overview), journal of the AKI Member Society, to become an official journal of the EFC.

On behalf of the BoA Members, the EFC President, Prof. Arjan Mol thanked Dr. Tomáš Prošek for this proposal which was approved.

Dr. Tomáš Prošek asked then the EFC President, as Editor in Chief of Corrosion Science, Journal of Elsevier, the possibility to publish news about EFC.

Prof. Arjan Mol answered that he will present this request to the advisory board but argued that Elsevier would probably not approve to give priority to one international corrosion society only and also due to the increasingly stiff competition for space and impact in the journal, opportunities for publication of federation or society news may be limited in general.

7-2 New EFC Website and New access to the Restricted Area

With the new EFC Website (<https://efcweb.org>) now online, the BoA members were informed on the new procedure for the single sign-on registration/login as describe below:

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The new EFC website (<https://efcweb.org>) includes a special service for EFC members, especially for the members of EFC committees and Working Parties (WPs) whose WP has a Members' Area: A personalised single sign-on login to the Members' Area(s) they are allowed to visit.

The login function via DECHEMA's Community-Tool is accessible through the general login at the top of the EFC website.

Alternatively, Working Party members may enter the login function when clicking on the tab "Members Area" of the respective WP website.

Option 1: You are already registered with the DECHEMA Community-Tool (e.g. through your participation in EUROCORR as an author, or a DECHEMA event).

- Click on "Member Login" at the top of the EFC website or on the tab "Members Area" of the WP website (if available) to enter the login page.
- Fill in your email address (username) and password used for the Community-Tool registration. If you forgot your password, you may re-set it.
- After having successfully logged in, you will find your registered address(es), which you may check and correct, if necessary, and blue boxes showing the Members' Area(s) you are allowed to visit.
- NOTE: If your email has changed since your registration with the Community-Tool, please use the previous email address (username) to log in. You can update your email address (username) on the entry page of the Members' Area via a separate link.

Option 2: You are not registered with the DECHEMA Community-Tool

- Go to <https://efcweb.org/Register.html> or use the registration link: "If you don't have an account, please register here" (on the login page for the Members' Area).
- Complete the registration form and click "submit".
- You will receive an email, which confirms the submission of the registration and the subsequent steps to activate your account.
- As soon as your membership has been verified and your account for the respective Members' Area(s) has been activated by the EFC Frankfurt office, you will receive a further confirmation email.
- Click again on 'Members Login' at the top of the EFC website (or on the tab "Members' Area" of the respective WP website) and log in, using your email (username) and password you created when registering.
- Click on the blue box(es) showing the Members' Area(s) you are allowed to visit.

Item 8 International Activities

8-1 NACE International: Task Force on EFC Strategy (GH)

During the EFC-NACE meeting in September 2018, NACE informed that they will open an office in Europe.

On the occasion of the PACM that took place in London on 26 November 2018, Dr. Gareth Hinds informed that NACE is contacting targeted EFC Member Societies in Europe regarding the Global Partnership Agreement they propose worldwide.

He expressed that the EFC should need a common strategy and policy for its members regarding NACE actions.

Dr. Gareth Hinds reported that the relation with NACE are in a good way and that a draft of a new agreement is currently in preparation including an item that NACE would not organise events with a broad and general corrosion theme in Europe to not compete with EUROCORR and also that related to EFC and general EUROCORR matters the main portal for discussion initiated by NACE would be through EFC, not individual member societies.

Now that NACE is merged with SSPC the actual signing of the agreement suffers a delay and the formal agreement may now not be signed until 2021.

However, BoA were informed that two NACE events are already planned in Europe, one in November in Bucharest, Romania and one in Spring 2021.

The BoA underlined the necessity to closely follow the NACE activities in Europe in view of the new agreement.

Prof. Philippe Marcus argued that the EFC should take the opportunity to create an EFC section in Romania.

An action was placed on the Managing Officer, Dr. Hélène Illaire, to collect from the BoA and the STAC Members names of colleagues in Romania so that the EFC President could contact them for that purpose.

Prof. Damien Féron argued that the same action could be done in Finland.

Finally, Dr. Gareth Hinds announced that a virtual meeting between NACE and EFC is planned on next 3 September and agreed to organise a virtual pre-meeting with EFC stakeholders to prepare for the EFC-NACE meeting in advance.

8-2 Other International Activities

None

Item 9 Any other Business

None

Item 10 Date and Place of next BoA

The next BoA meeting will be held in September 2020.

Due to the cancellation of the physical version of EUROCORR, it will be again a virtual meeting.

A survey will be conducted by the Scientific Secretary, Dr. Roman Bender, to the STAC Members to define the date of the Virtual STAC Meeting so that the Paris office could also conduct then a survey among the BoA Members in order to fix the date of the BoA Meeting just after in the same week.

APPENDICES



EUROCORR 2020 CONGRESS IN BRUSSELS IS CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 (6-10 September 2020)

Dear speakers, partners and delegates,

In light of the escalated global health concerns, travel restrictions and related government advisories in most countries, the EUROCORR 2020 local organising committee, in consultation with the European Federation of Corrosion (EFC), has decided to cancel the physical EUROCORR 2020 Congress scheduled for September in Brussels after careful assessment of the risks and your safety.

Until today the local organising committee has been working very hard to ensure our 2020 event in Brussels would be the best yet. However, these unfortunate circumstances are beyond our control and cancellation of the physical congress is the best way to protect our attendees, staff, and the EFC community.

Please accept our apologies for the inconvenience caused. The congress secretariat Guarant International will contact you with regard to booking changes and all logistics. You may also contact eurocorr2020@guarant.cz for urgent assistance.

Although EUROCORR 2020 will not take place in Brussels, the International Scientific Committee, the EFC Frankfurt office, together with the EUROCORR Congress Secretariat at DECHEMA are working hard to transform this year's EUROCORR into an online event in order to serve our international EFC corrosion community and maintain the momentum we have established over the years even in these demanding and challenging times. As soon as the virtual EUROCORR congress concept is finalised, EFC will inform all concerned parties (selected speakers, delegates, invitees, ...) and publish details on the EFC and EUROCORR websites. So, stay tuned!

Finally, we wish to thank all of you for your continued great support, active participation and we hope to welcome you in Brussels in one of the coming years! We wish you, your families and colleagues good health and growth in your careers and business.

Yours sincerely,

EUROCORR 2020
Local Organising Committee

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EUROCORR 2023, Brussels (Belgium) - Preliminary Proposed Arrangements

EUROCORR 2023

EUROCORR 2023
Arrangements

- **Date:** 27-31 August 2023
- **Congress Venue:** SQUARE – Brussels Meeting Centre
- **Web page:** the domain www.EUROCORR2023.org is registered
- **Belgian partners :** VOM, VUB, UMONS, Materia Nova
- **PCO :** GUARANT



EUROCORR 2023, Brussels (Belgium) - Preliminary Proposed Arrangements (Continued)

EUROCORR 2023 Arrangements

- visit.brussels will continue to support us with their Growth Support programme and provide us with
 - promotional materials
 - public transport tickets
 - banners displayed in Brussels

EUROCORR 2023 Arrangements

- We would like to present EUROCORR 2023 as a physical congress, but we will be prepared for a possible hybrid/virtual version.
- Hybrid/virtual version supported by GUARANT.
- Financial loss due to the cancellation of the physical event : 24,165 € (promotion, prints, web, graphics and Mailing) + 8000 for the rooms rental = 32,165 € (time of staff is not included : M. Olivier, V. Vincken, H. Terryn)
- Requirement for EUROCORR2023 : not to be more charged by the EFC Secretariat (Dechema): 26,000 €

EUROCORR 2023, Brussels (Belgium) - Preliminary Proposed Arrangements (Continued)

Registration fees

Category	Early registration until 31 May 2023	Late registration until 26 August 2023	On-site registration from 27 August 2023
EFC and VOM Member	780 €	880 €	950 €
Non-Member	890 €	950 €	990 €
Student	380 €	430 €	450 €
EFC or VOM Member – One-Day Registration	390 €	430 €	470 €
Non-Member- One-Day Registration	480 €	580 €	650 €
Accompanying person	240 €	240 €	240 €

- Registration fees are slightly higher, in order for budget to be well balanced.

Partnership

Category	
Gold Partner	16 000 €
Silver Partner	12 000 €
Bronze Partner	8 000 €
Exhibition (Schell Scheme Booth 6 sqm)	3 500 €

- On-line system for partnership and exhibition and on-line partnership prospectus used for EUROCORR 2020 will be reused in 2023.

Virtual EUROCARR 2020 - Proposed Budget**Expenses**

License	
Expo IP	5,032.00
Zoom	2,000.00
Chat	2,000.00
Grafics/Setup	10,000.00
Stuff	50,000.00
DECHEMA-Fee	26,000.00
EFC Levy	10,500.00
Sum	105,532.00

Income

Registration	Number	€	Sum
EFC Member Early	0	350	0
EFC Member Late	0	395	0
Non Member Early	300	300	90,000.00
Non Member Late	0	288	0
Presenting Authors	0	400	0
EFC Members One Day	0	445	0
Non Member One Day	0	325	0
Students Authors	150	100	15,000.00
Studet EFC Early	0	150	0
Studet EFC Late	0	190	0
Sum	450		15,000.00
Exhibitors			5,000.00
Sponsors			5,000.00
Sum			115,000.00

Virtual EUROCORN 2020 - Proposed Registration Fees

Participant Fees at the virtual EUROCORN 2020

Please note that participant registrations for the EUROCORN 2020 congress in Belgium are not valid any more. Tickets booked with the local organisers cannot be offset against the participation fees for Virtual EUROCORN! The Belgian organizer should have contacted you regarding the refund of payed fees. Please contact for requests eurocorr2020@guarant.cz

	EFC Member	Regular
Full Registration (early - until 31 st July 2020)	350	400
Full Registration (late - from 1 st August 2020 on)	395	445
Presenting Authors Full Registration (required until 31 st July 2020)	300	350
Student (early - until 31 st July 2020)	-	150
Student (late - from 1 st August 2020 on)	-	190
Presenting Authors Student Registration (required until 31 st July 2020)		100
Day ticket	288	325

No VAT requested according to § 4.22 UStG

The registration fee includes:

FULL REGISTRATION

- Admission to the Scientific sessions
- Admission to the Exhibition and Poster area

ONE-DAY REGISTRATION

- Admission to the Scientific sessions of the selected day
- Admission to the Exhibition and Poster area

STUDENTS

- Admission to the Scientific sessions
- Admission to the Exhibition and Poster area

EUROCORR 2021 - Progress on Preliminary Arrangements

PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR EUROCORR 2021 IN BUDAPEST

Bálint MEDGYES – 2020.06.25

Arrangements, Status

- Agreement on Hosting and Organization of EUROCORR 2021 in Budapest (Hungary) is **in progress. HUNKOR and Diamond Congress (DC) sent the modified Agreement to Dechema.**
- Venue of the Conference is extended with more rooms: 13 rooms + 1 plenary room (**Max. 14 rooms, see details on the next slide**).
- Looking for **sponsors and exhibitors**



EUROCORR 2021 - Progress on Preliminary Arrangements (Continued)

Tentative Usage of Rooms

EUROCORR 2021 – Capacity of the rooms				
Name of the room	Location	Capacity (in theatre style, or sqm)	Function	
Pátia hall + gallery	BCC, level -1 and level +2	2000 pax	plenary hall / largest session room	1
Bartók II. hall	BCC, level -1	200 pax	large session room / WG meeting	2
Bartók I. hall	BCC, level -1	40 pax	small session room / WG meeting	3
Brahms III. hall	BCC, level -1	70 pax	medium session room / WG meeting	4
Lehár III. hall	BCC, level -1	70 pax	medium session room / WG meeting	5
Lehár II. hall	BCC, level -1	45 pax	small session room / WG meeting	6
Liszt I. hall	Novotel /BCC/ level -1	45 pax	small session room / WG meeting	7
Liszt II. hall	Novotel /BCC/ level -1	45 pax	small session room / WG meeting	8
Liszt III. hall	Novotel /BCC/ level -1	45 pax	small session room / WG meeting	9
Mozart I.-II. hall	Novotel /BCC/ level -1	90 pax	medium session room / WG meeting	10
Fortuna room	BCC, level +1	40 pax	small session room / WG meeting	11
Bizet room	BCC, level -1		speakers' room	
Kodály room	BCC, level 1		Congress assistants	
Strauss room	Novotel /BCC/ level -1		ad-hoc meeting room	
Board room	Novotel		organisers/EFC	
Pátia gallery corridor	BCC, level +2		poster session, poster coffee break	
Entrance corridor	BCC, level +1		Registration, exhibition/poster session/ coffee break	
Minor corridor	BCC, level -1		Exhibition, coffee break	
Aula	BCC, level -1		Exhibition, coffee break	
Buda hall	Larus Event Center	100 pax	large session room / WG meeting	12
Gaszteny hall	Larus Event Center	150 pax	large session room / WG meeting	13
Szabó hall	Larus Event Center	100 pax	large session room / WG meeting	14
Lobby area + terrace	Larus Event Center		Coffee break	
Arcadia Restaurant	Novotel /BCC/ level -1		Lunch (optional)	
Cote Jardin Restaurant	Novotel /BCC/ level -1		Lunch (optional)	

Proposed Deadlines

- ❑ Submission of Abstracts **19th January 2021**
- ❑ Submission of Posters **28th April 2021**
- ❑ Notification of Authors **30th April 2021**
- ❑ Early Participant Registration **31st May 2021**
- ❑ Submission of Full papers **30th June 2021**
- ❑ Authors Registration (presenter) **30th June 2021**

EFC Strategic Plan 2019 - 2023

EFC Strategic Plan

2019-2023

Purpose

The purpose of the strategic plan is to strengthen the position of EFC as the leading European federation and among the leading corrosion societies worldwide on corrosion and corrosion protection in a competitive world.

The main objectives are to strengthen membership relations, to improve international cooperation, to increase EFC visibility worldwide, to ensure a sustainable modus operandi of EFC and consolidate EUROCORR as THE global scientific event in corrosion-related topics.

Strategic goals

1. To strengthen the EFC position as the leading federation in Europe in close dialogue and collaboration with its member societies based on sound, efficient and sustainable internal organisation of EFC.
2. To disseminate the highest level of scientific knowledge by organising globally recognised events.
3. Enhanced global visibility of EFC by consolidating strategic partnerships in various regions of the world.
4. Increase the number of members societies and affiliate memberships
5. Influence European research agendas with suitable lobbying actions.
6. Establish a European scheme for training and qualification of personnel.
7. Serve as a knowledge exchange platform for industry in Europe.
8. Gain young researchers for EFC – general activities and official functions.
9. Contemporary appearance of EFC in digital media.

Details

1. Strengthen the EFC position

1. Ensure a sound, efficient and sustainable internal organisation of EFC (P, 2020-21)
Open for next BoA meeting (PAC / BoA meeting July 2020)
2. Establish a series of industry-focused events (50 to 100 people) in cooperation with member societies (MO / first event in 2021) (wait for business plan PAC/BoA July 2020)
 - Define the financial scheme of these events. It should generate extra income.
 - Check with STAC if particular themes / events type are advisable, and get general STAC feedback (e.g. on WP involvement). Deadline 30 September 2020
 - Contact Member Societies and Affiliate Members to market the proposal during GA meeting in September 2020.
 - From the collected answers, define a list of the first events to be organised in 2021. If necessary, define the organisation needed from EFC side. Deadline 30 October 2020.

EFC Strategic Plan 2019 - 2023 (Continued)

3. Develop a robust business plan identifying new revenue streams to support the growth of the EFC (MO)
 - Identify new revenue streams, to be presented to the PAC meeting in June 2020.
 - Ask honorary treasurer's support to prepare a business plan, to be presented to the BoA meeting in September 2020

2. To disseminate knowledge (WP Chairs / STAC / MO)

1. Publish videos of special lectures from EUROCRR (Publish the first minute on youtube.com. "If you want to learn more: visit www.efcweb.org") (MO)
 - Identify the special lectures to be filmed, in collaboration with the STAC. Deadline: 30 June 2020
 - Solve the practical details of video capturing during EUROCRR (equipment, who will film, GDPR compliance), in collaboration with local organisers. Deadline: 30 June 2020
 - In parallel: solve the practical details of video treatment after EUROCRR (software, format, how to have it on EFC website). Deadline 30 June 2020
 - After EUROCRR, put videos on Youtube and on EFC website. Deadline 30 October 2020.
 - Include instructions in EUROCRR Manual in order to ensure continuity of actions in future. Deadline 31 December 2020.
2. Training Webinars for special measurement techniques or experimental methods (WP 6&8)
 - Discuss in next WP 8 meeting and form a task group from the WP (September 2020)
 - Create a list of possible webinars (September 2020)
 - Produce webinars from WP 6&8 (continuously)
3. Publication of white papers (WPs)
 - Encourage WP chairs to publish EFC White Papers on specific topics (STAC chairman till 30 June 2020)
 - Collect suggestions from WPs (STAC chairman till 31 August 2020)
 - Further discussion in STAC meeting (September 2020)
 - Write papers in WPs (continuously)
4. Publication of new EFC "green" books. Revision of old volumes and creation of new books with unpublished content. (SS)

This is a continuous process that should result in one green book per year. This can only be achieved with the help of STAC members. During each STAC meeting, the latest status of the current book projects is requested and the WP Chairs are asked to think about a new project or to update the content of an existing book. SS to contact Elsevier

3. Enhanced global visibility

1. Organising joint events with e.g. WCO, NACE, ACA, CSCP and others (President to coordinate)
The EFC can offer seminars together with member societies. These could for example be developed especially for Chinese clients to disseminate knowledge that is already existing in Europe. The seminars should first be offered in Europe. MO
Select one or max. 2 organisations to initiate collaboration with, e.g. WCO and CSCP, in collaboration with STAC (possibly WP7 if courses are considered e.g. in China?). Deadline 31 March 2021.

EFC Strategic Plan 2019 - 2023 (Continued)

- Contact the organisation(s) selected, define the first joint event: theme, date, financial scheme, organisation, in collaboration with STAC. Deadline September 2021.
- 2. Booth during events of partner organisations such as NACE CORROSION (SS)
During the BoA meeting in Seville a plan for the implementation of this project was presented including the associated costs. It was decided that an exhibition stand should only be equipped at the EUCOCORR and NACE conferences, since the costs for doing so elsewhere are too high. It was also decided that the visibility of the EFC should be increased by promotional material at events that have requested an EFC event No.
- 3. Find more partner journals that publish EFC news. To do this, contact the member societies (especially the non-European ones.) SS
Can either be implemented immediately, in this case SS to write to all EFC members before the BoA meeting and encourage the EFC members, that the respective official journal of the national member society becomes a partner journal of the EFC. Official decision of the BoA in September 2020. The call should be repeated at regular intervals (e.g annually) unless there is a clear rejection as a reply. Contact SS with GA - visitors

4. Increase the number of members

1. Regain lost members and acquire new members with convincing membership packages (MO)
 - Following the current marketing of the special offer Affiliate Membership & Booth: evaluate success, explore possibilities of improvement of the Affiliate Membership or of the package Membership & Booth. Deadline 30. September 2020 (report to BoA).

5. Influence European research agendas with lobbying measures, (P with help from Belgian office)

1. Invite European Research Commissioner to conferences MO
 - (MO can take the lead if SS agrees) Check with RB what are pertinent activities that can be proposed to the commissioner (meeting with WP7?) and write to the commissioner (Mariya Gabriel, cab-gabriel-contact@ec.europa.eu) MO to coordinate with Marjorie Olivier and Belgian member society VOM.
2. Make appointments with EU officials in Brussels BoA
Which commissioner are to be addressed (lead MO) how to influence the research agenda
3. Use of white paper (people put in charge for lobbying measures)
White papers will be elaborated in WPs chaired by STAC; sharing tasks and fixing deadlines during next STAC meeting

6. Training and qualification schemes (STAC)

1. Establish a scheme for EFC approved courses, EFC Corrosion passport
 - Ask WP chairs and member societies for collection of existing courses in Europe (WP 7/TF chair till 30. September 2020)
 - Collect list of existing courses (WP 7/TF chair till 31 August 2020)
 - Further development of concept in WP 7/TF (31 August 2020)
 - Presentation of status in STAC meeting and agreement upon steps forward (September 2020)
 - Introduce EFC label for courses (2021)
2. Create a benefit for the member societies in which we only accept events of the EFC members (With EFC Event No.) for the Corrosion passport (EFC Frankfurt office / SS)
WCO and EFC together as a certificate of advanced training

EFC Strategic Plan 2019 - 2023 (Continued)

3. WP 7 delivers content, MO organize process, STAC to ensure quality level
 - To be defined with WP7
 - To be discussed in STAC meeting (September 2020)
4. Influence relevant standardising actions and harmonise qualification across Europe, WP
 - To be defined with WP 7/TF
 - To be discussed in STAC meeting

7. Knowledge exchange platform for industry (MO,

1. Session at EUROCORN for application oriented industrial presentations
 - Contact local organisers and ask them about the possibility to organise these sessions during EUROCORN 2020, in collaboration with STAC if necessary. Check what support they may need from EFC side. Deadline 31 December 2020
 - Include requirements / instructions in EUROCORN Manual in order to ensure continuity of actions in future. Deadline 31 December 2020.
2. Industry centered EUROCORN lecture schedule for industry sectors (Keynote lectures or lectures selected by the WP Chair), e.g. by an additional tick box in the call of papers if the author feels its topic interesting for industry.
 - This is the responsibility of the Scientific Secretary
3. Provide show rooms during EUROCORN and other EFC events, both as physical or virtual platform
 - Contact STAC/ Affiliate Members and collect information on what would be the theme / objective of these showrooms. Deadline 31 December 2020.
 - Include requirements / instructions in EUROCORN Manual in order to ensure continuity of actions in future. Deadline 31 December 2020.
 - Virtual show room in addition to exhibition, possibility to be offered for interested organisations from outside Europe (ideas to be developed by SS and MO together with the local organizers)

8. Gain young researchers for EFC-official positions (YEFC)

1. Succession planning in WP Chairs and Co-chairs (responsible WP Chairs controlled by STAC)
2. Seek suitable candidates for major EFC official positions (VP) goal: 1 person per year
3. Modify byelaws: limited number of service years for WP Chairs and Vice-Chairs. Vice-Chairs should be younger than Chair (Responsible SS)
4. Mentoring scheme for young researchers (in cooperation with young EFC)
5. Forum for student training, PhD positions, Post-Doc positions and job opportunities in industry. White board with offers and applications (implementation by digital team) YEFC
6. Introduce open lab door policy in industry and academia for young EFC members.

9. Contemporary appearance of EFC in digital media

1. Digital team steering collaboration
2. Members: YEFC, Web Expert, VP, SS, secretariats, chaired by the digital task force leader
3. Profiles of users and members
4. Chat function, Twitter and / or LinkedIn Decision until end 2020.
5. New web site in responsive design
6. Congress app with uniform appearance for future EUROCORNs

Business Plan - EFC Provisional Budget 2021-2024**CURRENT PROPOSALS FOR INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

	2021 Budapest	2022 Berlin	2023 Brussels	2024
INCOME				
Membership subscriptions	50 000	52 000	52 000	55 000
Eurocorr levy	30 000	50 000	50 000	50 000
Publishing income	5 000	5 000	5 000	5 000
Webinars & events	1 000	2 000	3 000	3 000
Training course licencing			2 000	4 000
Total income	86 000	109 000	112 000	117 000
EXPENDITURE				
Membership services				
Science secretary fee & travel costs	10 000	10 000	10 500	11 000
Support for working parties	4 000	4 000	4 000	4 000
Newsletter fee	8 000	8 000	8 000	8 000
Editor's fee/Eurocorr attendance	1 500	1 500	1 500	1 500
Website	2 500	2 500	2 500	2 500
Medals and awards	6 500	6 500	6 500	6 500
	32 500	32 500	33 000	33 500
Development & growth				
Publicity costs	750	1 000	1 000	1 000
EFC international activities	750	2 000	2 000	4 000
Young EFC activities	3 000	4 000	4 000	5 000
President's dinner at Eurocorr	2 000	2 500	2 500	3 000
	6 500	9 500	9 500	13 000
International visibility				
NACE Eurocorr tickets	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000
WCO	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000
International Union of Chemistry	50	50	50	50
	5 050	5 050	5 050	5 050
Admin costs				
Paris secretariat fee & travel costs	10 000	10 500	10 500	11 000
Advisory committee meeting costs	1 500	2 500	2 500	3 000
Honorary Treasurer travel costs	1 000	1 500	1 500	2 000
Managing officer fee & travel costs	25 500	25 500	26 000	26 500
PO Box in Brussels	1 500	1 750	1 750	2 000
Legal fees in Belgium	2 500	2 500	3 000	3 000
Bank charges & sundry costs	250	250	250	250
	42 250	44 500	45 500	47 750
Total expenditure	86 300	91 550	93 050	99 300
TOTAL SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(300)	17 450	18 950	17 700

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1. Lower travel costs due to a mix of in-person and online meetings during 2021, return to normal afterwards
2. Lower EUROCRR attendance in Budapest. Good recovery in subsequent years
3. Small increase for inflation in costs in 2023-24
4. Gradual increase in webinar and training course licencing income
5. Current administrative set up remains in place (3 offices & managing officer)

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Proposed EFC Budget for 2020

	2019 results		2020 budget		2020 budget no Eurocorr	
Income	€	€	€	€	€	€
Membership subscriptions	51 534		50 000		50 000	
Eurocorr levy	65 048		45 000			
Publishing income	2 972		6 000		6 000	
Total		119 553		101 000		56 000
Expenditure						
Membership services						
Science secretary fee & travel costs	10 279		10 000		8 250	
Support for working parties	2 130		4 000		4 000	
Newsletter fee & Editor's Eurocorr attendance	9 987		9 500		8 000	
Website	5 000		5 000		5 000	
Medals and awards	4 774		6 500		6 500	
		32 169		35 000		31 750
Membership/product development growth						
Publicity costs	608		500		500	
EFC visibility (inc Qatar)	0		2 000			
Young EFC activities	2 148		4 000		2 000	
President's dinner at Eurocorr	3 518		3 000			
		6 273		9 500		2 500
International visibility						
NACE participation costs	780		2 000			
World Corrosion Organisation	3 038		3 000		3 000	
International Union of Chemistry	45		50		50	
		3 863		5 050		3 050
Administrative costs						
Paris secretariat fee & travel costs	10 085		11 500		8 500	
Advisory committee meeting costs	317		2 500		500	
Honorary Treasurer travel costs	2 108		1 500		500	
Managing officer fee & travel costs	25 500		27 500		25 500	
PO Box in Brussels	1 410		1 500		1 500	
Legal & professional fees in Belgium	220		3 000		3 000	
		39 639		47 500		39 500

Proposed EFC Budget for 2020 (Continued)

	2019 results		2020 budget		2020 budget no Eurocorr	
	€	€	€	€	€	€
Other costs						
Miscellaneous expenses	275		100		100	
Bank charges	65		150		150	
		340		250		250
Belgium VAT						
VAT payable on membership fees	1 822		2 000		2 000	
VAT reclaimable on expenses in Belgium	(652)		(1 000)		(1 000)	
		1 170		1 000		1 000
Strategic actions						
Development of website & training courses			45 000		45 000	
				45 000		45 000
Total		83 454		143 300		123 050
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		36 099		(42 300)		(67 050)
Surplus brought forward		282 458		318 557		318 557
Surplus carried forward		<u>318 557</u>		<u>276 257</u>		<u>251 507</u>