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The Mission and Aims of EAIR

Preamble: EAIR is a European society whose interests encompass higher education and a wide international perspective.

The Mission of EAIR

The *mission* of EAIR is to support research and development in higher education research, policy and practice, to the general benefit of higher education.

The Aims of EAIR

The following aims should be read with reference to institutional, national and international contexts, as appropriate.

- To encourage research in higher education;
- To promote the development of institutional management, planning and policy implementation;
- To disseminate information that supports policy-making, policy implementation and good practice in higher education;
- To support the membership by providing opportunities for networking and professional development in the field of higher education.

EAIR seeks to achieve its aims by:

- Organising an annual Forum bringing together students, researchers, policy makers, leaders, administrators and practitioners;
- Publishing the peer-reviewed journal 'Tertiary Education and Management' which may include high quality papers from the annual Forum and other appropriate contributions. EAIR may support other publications too in addition to TEAM;
- Organising seminars and networking opportunities of interest to specific groups of the EAIR membership, involving non-members where appropriate. These may involve cooperation with other organisations;
- Providing a variety of opportunities for networking and professional development of members and other interested parties in the various fields of higher education;
- Initiating, encouraging and actively supporting comparative research on issues in higher education;
- Cooperating and exchanging information with relevant organisations;
- Providing other services to the membership, such as a membership directory; online databases; and electronic copies of Forum presentations;



Annual Report of the Chair and the Secretary of EAIR

EAIR EC 2015-2016

Regarding the composition of the 2016 EAIR Executive Committee, three candidates were nominated for three available EC positions. No election was therefore necessary, and subject to the agreement of the AGM in Birmingham, Rosalind Pritchard, Ton Kallenberg and Mark O'Hara will be officially appointed for a 3-year term.

End of term for President: Ellen Hazelkorn is to be replaced by Bjørn Stensaker.

Chairman: Jeroen Huisman has announced his resignation and will be replaced by Attila Pausits.

EAIR Membership Fee

As was agreed at the 2015 AGM, the 2016 Membership fee is to increase by €15 to €165.

EAIR Krems Forum 2015.

There were 269 registered paying participants: 289 including student helpers and assistants. Newcomers constituted 40%; banquet attendance 40% and 110 papers and 13 posters were offered.

EAIR Forum 2017.

To be held in Porto, Portugal, from 3-6 September 2017.

Publications

A book has been published from the Krems Forum. It is entitled *Positioning Higher Education: from Here to There* edited by Rosalind Pritchard, James Williams and Attila Pausits (Rotterdam and Taipei: Sense, 2016). It includes 14 chapters from 27 contributing authors. EAIR furthermore publishes annually four issues of Tertiary Education and Management (TEAM).

Thanks

We wish to thank members of the Executive Committee; our President Professor Ellen Hazelkorn who has now reached the end of her term of office; Professor Dr Malcolm Tight the editor of TEAM; Ms Nynke Jo Smit and Drs Pieter-Jan Aartsen the members of the audit committee. We express warm appreciation to the 2015 EAIR Krems Forum organisers, Track Chairs and Special Interest Group coordinators. We thank Dr James Williams for his EAIR work over a sustained period and wish him well after his retirement from the Executive Committee. We particularly wish to thank members of the Secretariat in Amsterdam, Gerlof Groenewoud and Lina Suratin, who have worked so efficiently and devotedly for the EAIR.



Jeroen Huisman

Chair EAIR



Rosalind Pritchard

Secretary EAIR



LINKING RESEARCH, POLICY AND PRACTICE

EAIR Forum Krems 2015

From Here to There: Positioning Higher Education Institutions

The 37th Annual EAIR Forum in Krems, Austria

Our 37th Annual EAIR Forum took place at the Danube University in Krems, Austria. Its theme was “From here to there: Positioning Higher Education Institutions”. The event was a great success, both in academic and social terms. The Forum had very interesting keynote speakers: Mag. Elmar Pichl (Director General for Higher Education, Austrian Ministry of Science, Research and Economy, Austria), Dr Manja Klemenčič (Fellow and Lecturer in Sociology at the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University, USA), Prof Liviu Matei (Provost, Pro-Rector, and Professor at the Department of Public Policy, Central European University, Hungary) and Prof Dr Gerald Steiner (Professor of Organisation Communication and Innovation, Head of Department for Knowledge and Communication Management, Danube University Krems, Austria). The Forum was attended by 269 participants. The number of people attending provided good opportunities for international colleagues to network and exchange ideas.

Jeroen Huisman

Chair EAIR



Report on the EAIR Finances 2015-2016

We would like to thank our colleagues of the Audit Committee (Pieter Jan Aartsen and Nynke Jo Smit) for their contribution.

Realisation 2015

In 2015 the foreseen deficit of € 13,788 became a **deficit of € 4,591**: a positive difference of: € 9,197. This is mainly due to the following reasons:

Expenditure

- Total Expenditure EAIR secretariat: **€ 12,715 less costs than budgeted.**
 - Personnel: **€ 7,050 less than budgeted, mainly because of lower paid amount for Social Securities & Taxes than budgeted.**
 - Related personnel: **€ 940 less than budgeted.**
 - Housing: **€ 379 less than budgeted.**
 - Secretariat: **€ 4,346 less than budgeted, mainly because of lower costs than budgeted for Web & Database maintenance (-/- € 2,907) and because for lower costs for Office Supplies & Office Furniture (-/- € 1,218).**
- Various Association + Forum Krems: **€ 429 more costs than budgeted.**

Income

- Total Income Association + Forum Krems: **€ 3,090 less income than budgeted.**
 - Income Membership Fees + Forum (incl. Forum Banquet): **€ 1,598 less income than budgeted, mainly because of less membership income than budgeted.**
 - Miscellaneous income Forum (Exhibitors): **€ 9,805 more income than budgeted.**
 - Local Budgeted Forum Sponsoring: **€ 11,000 less income than budgeted.**
 - Interest: **€ 298 less income.**

Notes on the Balance Sheet

Assets

Security deposits

Rental agreement deposit of € 1,629.87 paid for new EAIR Secretariat office space.

Receivables

The amount of € 702.46 is for 2015 ABN saving account interest receivable in January 2016

Pre-paid expenses

€ 2,215 is the result of the following amounts:

- € 828 Pre-paid expenses Forum Birmingham 2016
- € 750 Pre-paid expenses TEAM 2016
- € 627 Pre-paid costs for insurances, housing & administration in 2016



Cash

This amount of € 139,143.80 was actually owned by EAIR (bank account & saving account) on 31-12-2015.

<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Account number</u>	<u>Balance EURO</u>
ABN AMRO Bank Account	52.84.33.806	€ 1,764.01
ABN AMRO Savings Account	58.70.11.173	€ 137,379.79

Liabilities

Reserves

The sum of the reserves on 31-12-2015 is € 97,994.

Payables

This is € 41,962

This amount is for invoices received late December 2015 and not yet paid by EAIR on 31-12-2015.

Membership

This amount consists of € 165 for 2016 Membership invoices issued and paid in 2016.

Accrued vacation pay

€ 2,836 accrued vacation pay (vacation pay is paid every year in the month of May).

Other payables

Total payables € 734 this amount concerns credit invoices to be paid in 2016, of which the service(s) were actually carried out in 2015.

EAIR Budget 2016

Looking ahead at the year 2016, EAIR foresees to need € 229,994 to run the Association and perform the activities for its members, including the organisation of the annual EAIR Forum in Birmingham, UK.

The budgeted income is € 232,242. This amount is based on the expected income in 2016 from the membership fees, the Birmingham Forum fees & Sponsoring and from miscellaneous Forum & Association income. **This means that a small positive result is foreseen of € 2,248.**



Ton Kallenberg
Treasurer EAIR

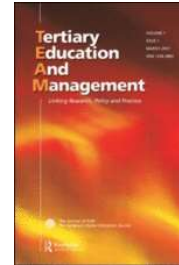


Publications

TEAM

Annual Report on TEAM

Malcolm Tight, Editor – Tertiary Education & Management



TEAM continues to turnover reasonably well, publishing some good articles that contribute significantly to the field.

With a refreshed Editorial Board in place, attention has turned to the (selective) publication of special issues as a means for both broadening interest in the journal and increasing the throughput of quality articles. Two of these, on multi-campus institutions and efficiency, are currently in production. Ideas for future such issues are welcome.



Malcolm Tight
EAIR TEAM Editor



Leadership and Committees EAIR

The success of EAIR depends on the commitment of its members. Many active members participate on a voluntary basis in EAIR's leadership and committees. We would like to thank them all for their dedication to EAIR in 2015 and 2016.

Executive Committee and Presidency 2015-2016

President of EAIR

- Ellen Hazelkorn • Dublin Institute of Technology/Higher Education Authority • Dublin • Ireland

Executive Committee EAIR 2015 - 2016

- Jeroen Huisman • Ghent University • Ghent • Belgium (Chair)
- Attila Pausits • Danube University Krems • Krems • Austria (Vice-Chair)
- Rosalind Pritchard • University of Ulster • Coleraine (NI) • United Kingdom (Secretary)
- Ton Kallenberg • Leiden University • Leiden • the Netherlands (Treasurer)
- James Williams • Birmingham City University • Birmingham • United Kingdom
- Clare Milsom • Liverpool John Moores University • Liverpool • United Kingdom
- Antigoni Papadimitriou • John Hopkins University • Columbia • USA
- Cláudia Sarrico • OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation & Development • Paris • France
- Nicoline Frølich • Nordic Institute for Studies in Innovation, Research & Education • Oslo • Norway

Ex-officio members

- Mark O'Hara • Birmingham City University • United Kingdom (Forum Chair Birmingham 2016)
- Malcolm Tight • University of Lancaster • Lancaster • United Kingdom (Editor TEAM)

Executive Committee and Presidency 2016 – 2017

President of EAIR

- Bjørn Stensaker • University of Oslo • Oslo • Norway

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- Antigoni Papadimitriou • John Hopkins University • Columbia • USA
- Juha Kettunen • Turku University of Applied Sciences • Turku • Finland
- Cláudia Sarrico • OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation & Development • Paris • France



- Nicoline Frølich • Nordic Institute for Studies in Innovation, Research & Education • Oslo • Norway

Ex-officio members

- Pedro Teixeira • University of Porto • Portugal (Forum Chair Porto 2017)
- Malcolm Tight • University of Lancaster • United Kingdom (Editor TEAM)

Programme Committee 2016 EAIR Birmingham Forum

- Mark O'Hara • Birmingham City University • United Kingdom (Forum Chair)
- James Williams • Birmingham City University • United Kingdom (Forum Co Chair)
- Alex Kendall • Birmingham City University • United Kingdom
- Amanda French • Birmingham City University • United Kingdom
- Nicoline Frølich • Nordic Institute for Studies in Innovation, Research & Education Oslo • Norway

Audit Committee Financial Year 2015

- Pieter Jan Aartsen • University of Amsterdam • Amsterdam • the Netherlands
- Nynke Jo Smit • International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam • the Hague • the Netherlands

TEAM

Editor

- Malcolm Tight • University of Lancaster • Lancaster • United Kingdom



Staff of the EAIR Secretariat

The EAIR Secretariat in Amsterdam is responsible, often in cooperation with various committee members, for the membership administration, Forum administration and organisation, finances, publications, database, website and the promotion of the Association and its activities.

The EAIR Secretariat was staffed by the following persons:



Gerlof Groenewoud
Executive Manager



Lina Suratin
Assistant Manager