Minutes of SIAPWS EC Meeting 2020-2 (04.05.2020)



1. Attendees

- Karsten Thomsen (Chair)
- Monika Nielsen (EC member, elected and Ørsted representative)
- Roger Lundberg (EC member)
- Arja Lehikoinen (EC member)
- Jere Espo (EC member)
- Sara Sjögren (EC member)
- Anna Edebo (EC member, E.ON representative)

2. Welcome to new EC members

Karsten welcomed the new members of the EC.

3. How do we work in the EC?

- Karsten went through how we work in the EC. The meetings are primary held by Skype (Ref. note: in Microsoft Teams in the future), and approx. once a year we meet in person. In 2018 we met in Helsinki for a couple of days for an EC workshop.
- We have a short action list though out the meetings. Monika, as secretary, keeps the minutes, and keep track of the actions from the meetings.
- The annual meeting circulates between the countries. In 2020 it should have been in Denmark, but due to COVID-19 it was held as a Skype meeting. In 2021 it should be held in Sweden. The annual meeting is planned as a 1½ day meeting/workshop with also a social event in the evening.
- SIAPWS usually contributes to the Matarvattenkonferensen in November. The two meetings will be main events in the annual cycle, one will be in English, the other in a mix between Swedish and English. Hopefully, the SIAPWS meeting will develop to get the same degree of attention as Matarvattenkonferensen.
- One of the focus areas are to support research and exchange of information with academic institutions. In SIAPWS we don't have many academic institutes as members. In SIAPWS Suomi though they have VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland as a member. In Denmark we don't presently have any universities as members, though we have Århus Maskinmesterskole as member (education of boiler engineers at bachelor level). We need to be more active in inviting them to be members of SIAPWS. (ref. remark: In Sweden, Högskolan i Dalarna, Borlänge, should be approached as they do relevant material science).
- Do we have a prepared document we could sent to the universities when inviting them??
 We don't have a specific document, but the SIAPWS Statutes including the SIAPWS Vision and Mission could be used. Ans also referring to the IAPWS organization, where the research part is more explained.
- The EC should prepare such a document focused to the universities and prepare a section on the
 website. Karsten has already a project teaser, he has used at the Chemistry Department at Aarhus
 University. This will be circulated with the minutes.
- The SIAPWS Vision, Mission and Annual Cycle will be circulated with the minutes.

4. The unusual annual meeting in 2020 – follow up

It worked well and could be a way to do it in the future.

5. The postponed workshop on 25.-26. August

- 10 participants so far
- The preliminary agenda will be circulated with the minutes.
- In preparation for a cancellation of the meeting due to COVID-19 we all choose 3-4 presentations to be held as virtual webinars.
- Anna proposes to have the plant visit virtual. The ARC personal presents the plant and takes us though the plant virtually on video.
- Monika will contact IDA to ask if a video link is possible for the workshop.

6. The IAPWS meeting (cancelled this year)

- The meeting in Turin is cancelled due to COVID-19.
- The meeting will be postponed to 2021
- The meeting in New Zealand will be in 2022.
- The white paper on FGC will still be prepared.

7. Matarvattenkonferensen

- The preparation for the Matarvattenkonferensen has not yet really started.
- The venue of the conference is uncertain at the moment.
- Please send any suggestions for presentations at the Matarvattenkonferensen to Roger before the end of May.

8. Intro to the SIAPWS website http://info.siapws.org

- Karsten introduced the new website.
- All EC members should go through the webpages and check for errors.
- All EC members should familiarize them self with the website.
- (Ref. remark: During the discussion, it was decided that all EC members on Nordic and national levels should be listed at the webpages with telephone number, e-mail, and affiliation (correct company name. At the meeting on the following day with the web developers, the tasks were distributed so that Nuutti edits the Finnish names, Karsten edits the Danish and Swedish names with help from Jens Tornberg).

9. Miscellaneous

- No comments
- (Ref. remark: At the meeting it was briefly discussed to invite colleagues from the Baltic countries to take part in SIAPWS. After the meeting, Jere has contacted colleagues in Lithuania and Latvia, and they are interested. They should contact Karsten and become members of SIAPWS Nordic, because the language at this level is English.)

10. Next EC meeting

15. June 14:00-15:30 in Microsoft Teams. Monika has made the calendar booking.