

# **Excellence & Mediterranean Higher Education**

# Statement of Conclusions of the RMEIM's General Assembly Online - November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The General Assembly of the Mediterranean Network of Engineering & Management Schools was held online the November 27, 2020, with the presence of 37 members (35 presents and 2 represented).

### Composition of the Board of Directors and the Bureau of RMEIM

The board of directors of the association RMEIM consists to date of 8 members and 8 substitutes as follows:

- Sapienza University of Rome (IT) represented by Mrs. Mara LOMBARDI / Alternate: CUM (IT) represented by Mr. Francesco LOSURDO
- Cairo University (EG) represented by **Mrs. Fatma ASHOUR, President of the RMEI** / Alternate: Arab Academy for Science Technology and Maritime Transport (EG) represented by Mr. Yasser DESSOUKI
- National School of Engineers of Monastir (TN) represented by Mr. Mondher ZIDI / Substitute: National School of Engineers of Tunis (TN) represented by Mr. Ahmed BEN CHEIK LARBI
- Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (LB) represented by Mrs Tilda AKIKI / Substitute: Notre Dame University (LB) represented by Mr Michel HAYEK
- Ecole Centrale Marseille (FR) represented by Mrs Carole DEUMIE / alternate: Ecole Centrale de Nantes (FR) represented by Mr Fouad BENNIS
- National School of Mines Engineers of Rabat (MA) represented by Mr. Khalid NAJIB / alternate: GEC Marrakech (MA) represented by Mr. Hassan FNINE
- Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (GR) represented by **Mrs Anastasia ZABANIOTOU,Vice President of the RMEI** / alternate: Technical University of Crete (CR) represented by Mr Theocharis TSOUTSOS

• An- Najah National Univ. (PS) represented by M Samer ARANDI / alternate: Univ. Politecnica de Catalunya (ES) represented by Juan-Jesus PEREZ

The RMEI office consists of:

- Mrs. Fatma ASHOUR, President of the RMEI
- Mrs. Anastasia ZAMPANIOTOU, Vice President of RMEI
- Mr Olivier BOIRON, Director General of RMEI
- Mr Georges LE PALEC, Treasurer
- Mr Moncef GHISS, Communication Officer

## Financial report for the financial year 2019

The accounts for the financial year 2019 are presented at the meeting by Mr. BOIRON & LE PALEC.

The latter recalls that the writings were prepared by the accounting firm MC2 in Marseille after examination of the accounting documents provided by the Treasurer of the association.

The balance sheet for the 2019 financial year shows an asset valued at € 130 956 with a decrease of 32% compared to 2018. These variations are mainly due to the fact that the most significant part of the budget these last years consists in the subsidy received for H2020 TARGET program. Indeed we have received at the end of 2018 85% of the overall budget (192k€), the balance will be paid at the end of the program in december 2021.

The income statement for the year 2019 is in deficit of - € 12441, slightly up compared to 2018 (-10 083€).

The financial situation is nevertheless healthy thanks to the bank reserves and financial resources of the association which amounted to  $\le 91\ 183 \le$  at 31/12/2019.

After presentation and exchanges, the approval of the accounts for the year 2019 are submitted to the votes of the members present and represented: **Unanimously approved.** 

#### Debt cancellation on 2019 uncollected contributions

As is done every year, the assembly must decide on the cancellation of the debt contracted by the association on the member contributions issued but not collected in 2018. The amount of the uncollected contributions for 2018 amounts to  $29000 \in$ .

After presentation and exchanges, the approval of debt cancellation for 2018 are submitted to the votes of the members present and represented: **Unanimously approved.** 

# Amount of the 2020 membership fee

The amount of the contribution to the association for active members has not changed since the modification of the statutes in 2007 and amounts to 500 €.

According to the rules adopted during the last GA a modification will be introduced for the membership fees of 2020 and the following years. After 3 years of unpaid cotisations the member will be excluded from the network.

His return to the network will not be possible without paying his contributions (up to a sum of 6 years) in the form of a donation to the association. This new RMEI's internal rule modification is **adopted unanimously.** 

Last year's proposal to modulate the amount of contributions according to the local cost of living was finally not retained by the members.

It is proposed to vote to retain the fixed amount of € 500 for the 2020 membership. **Adopted unanimously.** 

# 2020 provisional budget

The projected budget 2020 is specified below:

Revenues	(€)	Expenses	(€)
74 Operating grant:			
H2020 TARGET	30 000	H2020 TARGET	30 000
Members contributions	15 000	Overhead fees	9000
Financial income	1000	HOMERe	2000
		Climed	1500
		AccriMed	1500
		Summer schools	2000
87 Voluntary contributions	39 000	87 Voluntary contributions	39 000
Total	85 000		85 000

The sources of income are broken down into two main positions:

- Grants for programs in which RMEI participates: € 30 000 for the H2020 TARGET.
- Membership contributions for an amount of € 15 000.

As regards expenditure outside the amounts corresponding to the European programs, provisions are made for the main programs of the network.

Members present are asked to vote on this budget: the proposed budget estimate is **adopted unanimously** by the members present and represented.

# **Memberships**

Three new membership requests have been sent to Mr Fouad BENNIS chair of the RMEI membership committee:

- INSA Lyon FRANCE, represented by its director M. Frédéric FOTIADU.
  - Université Sultan Moulay Slimane (USMS) de Béni Mellal represented by its President Prof. Dr. Nabil HMINA Morocco
  - Ecole Nationale de Commerce et de Gestion de Casablanca (ENCG C), Univ. Hassan II, represented by Mrs N. EL HAOUD MOROCCO

These membership requests are currently examined by the membership commission and will be presented to the members during the next GA in march 2021.

# Location of the next general meeting

The General Assembly of the network is organized every year, optimally at the end of March or beginning of April due to administrative and financial constraints.

The location of the GA is defined during the GA of the previous year.

Due to the pandemic the next GA will take place again <u>online</u>. This event will be organized jointly with the closure workshop of the H2020 TARGET program which will take place in Brussels the 10-11 of march 2021. The RMEI'GA date finally chosen is the <u>12-13 of march 2021</u>.

This proposal **is adopted unanimously** by the members present or represented.

Marseille, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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