

EuroSLA General Assembly Annual General Meeting, Lund

Friday 30 August 2019

1. Minutes of EuroSLA 2018 AGM in Münster were agreed

2. President's report (D. Trenkic)

As in previous years, Executive Committee (EC) had been busy throughout the year on tasks and initiatives, including support for Workshops, organizing Distinguished Scholar Award, promoting member publications in JESLA and EuroSLA Studies Series, and working with LOCs for current and future years.

Welcomed Aarnes Gudmestad as Associate Editor for JESLA, and Ineke Vedder for EuroSLA Studies.

Noted many firsts for this EuroSLA Conference – from signed language plenary to soap bubbles.

LOC organizing team thanked, especially Marianne Gullberg, Jonas Granfeldt, Maja Petersson and Henrik Gyllstad, as well as the Language Learning Round Table organisers, speakers and sponsors' support.

EC continued work to further build student involvement in EuroSLA; in process of drafting a mentoring scheme, with details to come; welcomed Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism for a Junior Researcher Award to start next year.

Reviewing last 4 years, DT as President thanked committee for support, and glad to note work by committee to sustain and promote values and ethos of EuroSLA. Welcomed combination of continuity and fresh ideas from each committee, with particular thanks to Sible Andringa in improving transparency and stability in EuroSLA's finances, Sarah Liszka for working on JESLA in transition from Yearbook, and Clare Wright for the fantastic support as EuroSLA secretary.

3. Treasurer's report (S. Andringa)

Noted: Good state of finances

Income a little over budget, due to higher income from last year's conference in Munster.

Expenditure a little lower due to no payment this year for JESLA, allowing a donation to Language Science Press for EuroSLA Studies.

Balance looking good - requested approval for some reserved funds to be kept for JESLA in case of need to publish additional articles beyond expectations; also requested an additional 1000 euros to be available for EuroSLA workshop support if required.

Budget was **approved**.

4. EuroSLA Doctoral grants (J. Granfeldt & D. Trenkic)

Conference congratulated 7 winners of doctoral stipends:

Hala Alghamdi, University of Oxford, UK

Marion Coumel, University of Warwick, UK

Judit Serra Fernández, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain

Su Kyung Kim, University of Western Ontario, Canada

Jeanne McGill, Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, USA

Angela Giovanna Patarroyo, Technische Universität Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany

Duygu F. Safak, Technische Universität Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany

5. JESLA Report (D. Trenkic)

Welcomed new Associate Editor, Aarnes Gudmestad.

Noted overall numbers currently less than predicted, so members' submissions were encouraged.
Agreed to continue the ongoing trial of continuous submission, contributions can be made from any member at any time, without need to have presented at conference, fast turnaround expected.
Link with conferences to be maintained by inviting Keynotes to submit.
Award for best article of the year to be awarded in the following conference - ie award for 2019 in Barcelona 2020.
Reminded of values of submitting to JESLA to support the Association, to support and maintain value of open access science

6. EuroSLA Studies Series Report (Amanda Edmonds)

Updated information on forthcoming volumes - three in press or due shortly, highlighting the variety of topics accepted.

Members encouraged to submit proposals; reminded of open access yet rigorous review process, publishing with Language Science Press; fast turnaround.

7. EuroSLA workshops report and call (R. Gilabert)

RG reminded members of the workshops award, highlighted that funding focus was to be to be given to events not otherwise possible without EuroSLA grant, and to encourage junior researchers.

One event funded for 2019 - jointly hosted in Barcelona, co-organised by students and academic staff.
Deadline for next call 31 October 2019. Note additional funding to be available in this year due to budgetary carry-over.

RG available to help advise on questions over applications and eligibility.

Workshop grantees invited to publish with JESLA or EuroSLA Studies.

8. Website and social media (D. Trenkic)

Social media and online traffic all going well; members were encouraged to share news, conference calls as items for FB, website, Twitter.

Members were reminded that emails would not be used other than for Association business.

9. Proposal for Constitutional Amendment for a Student Rep on ECM (C. Wright)

Proposed Constitutional Amendment wording:

The governing body of the Association shall consist of an Executive Committee made up of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, three elected members, **one elected student member ***, and up to two co-opted members.

*(*student member eligible if currently enrolled on a doctoral programme)*

Agreed by members, to start at next elections, in 2 years time.

10. Proposal for Junior Researcher Award sponsored by Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism Journal (D. Trenkic, with Holger Hopp)

Award was proposed to commemorate 10th anniversary of the Journal, wishing to encourage junior researchers; award to be a prize for the best doctoral presentation at EuroSLA preconference doctoral workshops, to be awarded annually.

Agreed to proceed. LAB was thanked for initiative, and ECM would finalize details with LAB

11. EuroSLA Conferences

a) Oral report on Eurosla 29, Lund (Marianne Gullberg)

567 submissions, accepted 184 papers, 120 oral talks, 24 doctoral workshop presentations, 40 posters

Scientific Committee thanked for reviewing duties.

Springer thanked for volumes on Writing for Publication, available to all doctoral students at the workshops.

b) Update for EuroSLA 30, 2020, Barcelona (Roger Gilabert, Carmen Muñoz)

Reminder of dates **1-4 July 2020**, and call for papers coming out **20 September 2019**.

Conference to take place in historic central buildings. Some hotels have been pre-reserved; members were encouraged to book accommodation early.

Plenary speakers were announced as Nick Ellis, Rosa Manchón, Judit Kormos, Kazuya Saito.

Website available <https://www.ub.edu/eurosla2020/> to go out with call.

c) Confirmation to host EuroSLA 31, 2021, Fribourg (Raphaele Berthele)

Introduction given to venue, noted good connections for trains, and via Basel or Zurich for flights.

Organizing team was in place, LL Roundtable theme expected to be on corpora.

Dates - 25-28 August 2021

Fees to be in line with current levels.

Host was formally approved, and the MoU was signed.

12. Committee elections – (D. Trenkic)

Nominations for elected positions were noted and all were acclaimed without any election required:

President: Clare Wright, University of Leeds

VPs: Roger Gilabert (2nd term), University of Barcelona

Jonas Granfeldt, University of Lund

Treasurer: Marije Michel, University of Groningen

Secretary: Aline Godfroid, Michigan State University

Ordinary members:

Andrea Révész (2nd term), University College London

Sible Andringa, University of Amsterdam

Vivienne Rogers, Swansea University

Ex-officio members re-appointed, Sarah Liszka (JESLA), Gabriele Pallotti (EuroSLA Series), Monika Schmid (social media, website)

13. AOB

Noted dates of forthcoming conferences for LESLLA in Malmo, August 5-7th 2020 and AILA2020 in Groningen, August 9-14th.