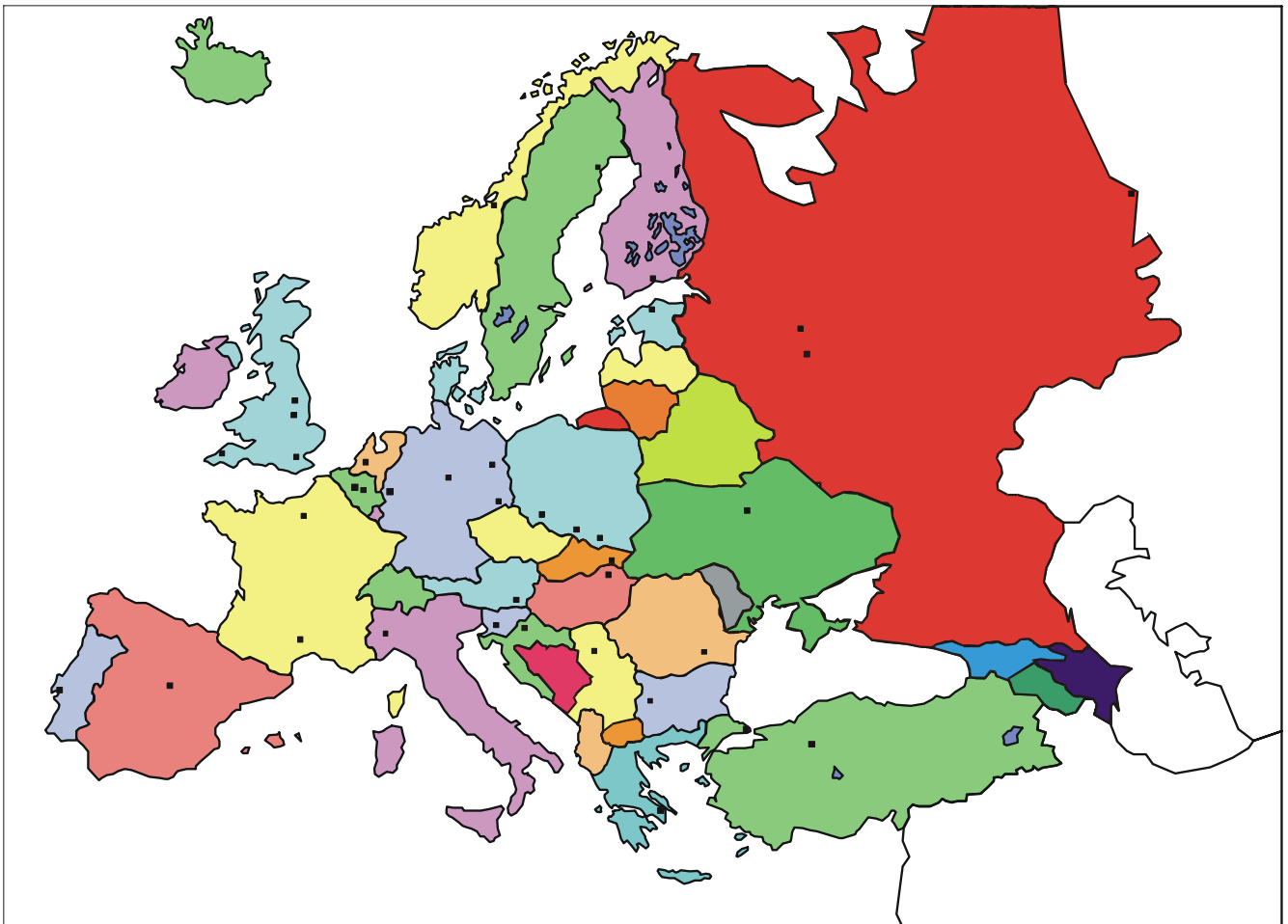


NEWSLETTER

SOCIETY OF MINING PROFESSORS



SOCIETÄT DER BERGBAU KUNDE



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Editorial

This Newsletter contains the agenda for the next meeting which will be in Ankara in Turkey. **This is a most important meeting and I urge you all to attend.** At the meeting the main item of business for the Society is formally to approve the updated Statutes of the Society (the proposed wording of these Statutes is also in this Newsletter). Members will recall from the last Newsletter that the Society is currently operating under an interim constitution agreed at the last meeting in Freiberg. This now needs to be ratified to enable business to continue normally in the future.

Even though a copy of the proposed constitution was in the last Newsletter, and members were asked for any comments and suggestions, to date no one has sent the Secretary General any comments or suggestions for changes. However, there has been a bit of tidying up done on the wording since the Freiberg meeting, and I urge you all to read it again and decide whether this is the Society as you wish it to be. Once again – please send any comments and suggestions or proposed amendments to the Secretary General. This should be done at least a month before the next meeting, **by the end of April**, so that they can be circulated to members in advance for them to prepare for the discussions at the meeting.

During the year, under the interim constitution, the council has been expanded by the addition of the regional members. We welcome them to the council. With the members of the council spread over such a wide area, it is difficult to hold meetings, and some solution to that problem should be addressed at the Ankara meeting as well.

The journal Mineral Resources Engineering is about to restart publication. It is important that a good supply of papers should be available for this and so I urge you all to send papers electronically to gunhan@atilim.edu.tr

Finally, another change for the Society will be a change of Secretary General. Prof Shaw has now completed 15 years in the post and it is clearly time for him to retire. The replacement was agreed at the Freiberg meeting and will be Prof. Karmis. I have enjoyed my stint as Secretary General and I wish Mike Karmis and the Society well in the future.

Members need to:

- **Read the new constitution and pass on any comments to the Secretary General**
- **Put the date of the next meeting – 11th to 15th June 2005 in Ankara in Turkey in their diaries. We need a good turnout as the final constitution is due to be ratified at that meeting.**

Officers of the Society

The new officers of the Society for 2004/2005 are:

President: Prof. Pasamehmetoglu
President-elect: Prof. Rybar
Immediate Past President: Prof. Drebenstedt
Secretary General: Prof. Shaw
Secretary General Elect: Prof Karmis
Deputy Secretary General/Treasurer: Prof. de Ruiter

Council

Council consists of the officers of the Society plus the regional members listed below.

Member for Australia: Prof. Galvin
Member for South America: Prof. Cedron
Member for South Africa: Prof. Phillips
Member for Asia: Prof. Uchino
Member for North America:
Member for Europe: Open

Also on council are Profs. Fettweis and Hebblewhite as co-opted members.

Membership Committee

The new membership committee consists of:

President: Prof. Pasamehmetoglu
President-elect: Prof. Rybar
Immediate Past President: Prof. Drebenstedt
Secretary General: Prof. Shaw



**PROGRAMME OF THE
16th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF
THE SOCIETY OF MINING PROFESSORS/
SOCIETÄT DER BERGBAUKUNDE

JUNE 11-16, 2005, ANKARA, TURKEY**

Programme

June 10, 2005, Friday

Arrival of Delegates

June 11, 2005, Saturday

09:00-16:00 Mining Trip:
Visit to Park Group's Underground Lignite Mine (longwall mining-one of the most productive underground coal mines in Europe), Thermal Power Plant, and Trona Mine (solution mining) at Cayirhan/Bey pazari, approximately 100 km. Northwest of Ankara.

16:00-18:00 Tour of Bey pazari Town and its old houses
18:00-20:00 Dinner at Bey pazari
20:00- _____ Return to the hotel (Ankara)

June 12, 2005, Sunday

09:00-09:20 Opening the Meeting
Information by the president
Report of the Secretary General

09:20-10:40 Speeches on:

- Historical mining in Anatolia (Archeological view)
- Mining in Turkey
- Mining Education in Turkey

10:40-11:00 Coffee break
11:00-12:30 Business Meeting (Session 1)
12:30-14:00 Lunch
14:00-15:30 Business Meeting (Session 2)
15:30-16:00 Coffee break
16:00-17:30 Business Meeting (3)
20:00- _____ Dinner and Entertainment

June 13, 2005, Monday

09:30-11:00 Business Meeting (4)
11:00-11:30 Coffee break
11:30-12:30 Business Meeting (5)
and closure
12:30-14:00 Lunch
14:30-17:30 Visit to Anatolian Civilizations Museum-Ankara which contains priceless artifacts belonging to the Paleolithic (____ - 8000 BC) and Neolithic eras as well as the Hatti, Hittite, Phrygian, Urartu and Roman civilizations.

17:30- Evening Free.

**Excursion (3 days)
June 14-16, 2005**

First Day (June 14, 2005, Tuesday)

08:30-12:30 Travel to Bogazkoy Historical National Park, 200 km. east of Ankara.

13:30-17:00 Visit to Hattusas (the capital city of Hittites), Yazilikaya (open air shrine of the Hittite Empire), and Alacahoyuk where inhabited four civilizations, namely: chalcolithic (copper, 4000-3000 BC), Old Bronze, Hittite and Phrygian.

17:00-20:30 Travel to Cappodocia region.
20:30- _____ Stay in the rock hotel and dinner.

Second Day (June 15, Wednesday)

09:00 - 20:00 A whole day tour of Cappodocia region and Goreme National Park. To see world-famous fascinating rock formations, one of the world's most surreal and picturesque landscapes; Byzantine churches, chapels carved in rocks whose walls decorated with religious paintings which reflect the history of religious art in that period; villages with houses carved into the rocks, still reflecting traditional life and agricultural practices; wine yards, wine production factory and earthenware pottery manufacturing; and to watch the sunset.

20:00 - _____ Dinner and entertainment (Turkish night) at the hotel

Third Day (June 16, Thursday)

09:00 - _____ Leave the hotel to Ankara
09:30 - 11:30 Visit Derinkuyu Underground City. This city is one of the underground cities built as a defence and hiding site during the period of the spreading of Christianity. It was built by excavating the soft rocks underground to a depth of 8-10 storeys, with interesting ventilation systems, and sealing off systems from inside by large round slabs like millstones, so as to block entry by invaders.

11:00 - 14:00 Visit to Ihlara Valley (Canyon). The valley with 14 km length had formed by the Melendiz Creek flowing through the volcanic rocks in the area. The depth of the valley occasionally extends to 100-150 meters. There are numerous shelters, burial grounds and churches carved into the rocky walls and surface of the valley. Some of these shelters and churches are connected to each other with tunnels in a similar manner to the underground cities.

14:00 - 14:30 Visit Agzikara Inn one of the best-preserved and most impressive Seljuk Caravansaries in Anatolia, constructed between 1231-1239 AC.

14:30 - 17:00 Leave Cappodocia Region for Ankara. See the Salt Lake (Tuz Golu) on the way back.

17:00 - _____ End of the tour.

Accompanying Persons Programme



June 11, 2005, Saturday

09: ³⁰ -11: ⁰⁰	Visit to Anitkabir, the mausoleum of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk the Republic's founder, and its museum.
11: ⁰⁰ - ____	Departure to Beypazari Town approximately 100 km. Northwest of Ankara
12: ³⁰ -13: ³⁰	Lunch
13: ³⁰ -18: ⁰⁰	Tour of Beypazari and its surroundings: to see its historical houses, silver craftsmanship, kilim weaving, and some of authentic town life.
18: ⁰⁰ - ____	Dinner
20: ⁰⁰ - ____	Return to the hotel (Ankara)

June 12, 2005, Sunday

09: ³⁰ -16: ³⁰	Guided tour to archeological site of Gordion (the capital city of Phrygian Kingdom), the home of Gordian knot, where there is a huge tumulus of the Phrygian kings. Gordion Museum is also to be seen.
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June 13, 2005, Monday

09: ³⁰ -12: ³⁰	Morning free
12: ³⁰ -	Join the delegates for the rest of the time

FURTHER GENERAL INFORMATION

Venue: Hotel Etap Altinel(*****)

06570 Tandogan, Ankara, Turkey

Tel: +90 (312) 231 77 60

Official Travel Agency of the Meeting: For Registration,

Accommodation and Tours.

Magnifico Tour; Bayindir 2 Sok., Kizilay,

06600,

Ankara, Turkey

Tel: +90 (312) 430 70 50; Fax: +90 (312) 435 40 94

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Transport to and from the Airport:

Ankara (Esenboga) Airport is approximately 30 km away from the Hotel Etap Altinel.

Costs (Approximately):

Taxi : 30 Euro

Bus (HAVAS) : 5.50 Euro

Taxi (From Havas Stadium Bus Terminal To Hotel Etap Altinel): 2.50 Euro

Climate: In June the temperature in Ankara and Central Anatolia ranges from 25 C and 10 C.

It could rain, and warm clothing may be required for the cool evenings.

Hotel at Cappadocia: Burcu Kaya Hotel (****)

Ortahisar, Urgup, Turkey

Tel: +90 (384) 343 32 00

Currency (on January 21, 2005):

1 Euro = 1.75 YTL (New Turkish Lira)

A motion proposed for adoption at the 16th Annual General Meeting of the Society of Mining Professors/Societät Der Bergbaukunde at Ankara, Turkey on 12th June, 2005.

That the Society accept the following:

**PRINCIPLES OF CONDUCT AND MANAGEMENT
for the
SOCIETY OF MINING PROFESSORS/SOCIETÄT DER
BERGBAUKUNDE**

CHAPTER 1 - NAME - OFFICE - PURPOSE – DURATION

Article 1 - Name

A non-profit making Society was constituted at a meeting in Leoben in the year 1990, pursuant to the laws of the European Union. The corporate name of the Society is "The Society of Mining Professors/Societät der Bergbaukunde" (The German name, "Societät der Bergbaukunde" makes this Society the successor to the first ever international professional scientific/technical Society, founded in 1786 in at Schemnitz (Banska Stiavnica) in what is now Slovakia, with 154 members from 21 countries).

Article 2 - Offices

The registered office shall be established at (an address to be chosen). It can be transferred upon decision by the Council to any other location. The decision will be published within a month of its adoption.

Article 3 - Purpose

The Society of Mining Professors/Societät der Bergbaukunde (hereinafter referred to as the Society) is designed to be a vibrant global Society, representing the majority of mining and mining related academics. The purpose of the Society is to promote Mining Engineering as an engineering discipline, to facilitate information exchange, research and teaching collaboration and joint action among its members.

More specifically the Society will be committed to:

- Ensuring that university based education at the highest level, in those disciplines concerned with the provision of mineral products from the crust of the earth, continues to be available to those who wish to avail themselves of it.
- Ensuring that advancement, through research, of the scientific and engineering knowledge and processes in the areas of relevance to the provision of mineral products continues.
- Establishing a network of academics involved in achieving the above goals.
- Enhancing the image of the minerals-producing industries, promoting development of educational courses within these disciplines and fostering pride in the disciplines.



- Establishing and maintaining ongoing contacts with the global mineral industry players.
- Promoting co-operation in educational and research programmes and identifying co-operative research opportunities.

Article 4 - Language

The official written language of the society shall be English. German may be used, as needed, in spoken communications and at meetings.

Article 5 - Duration

The Society shall have an indefinite duration. The Society's working year shall expire on at the Annual General Meeting each year. Its financial year shall run concurrently with the Northern European academic year – i.e. from October 1st to September 30th.

CHAPTER II: MEMBERSHIP

Article 6 - Eligibility

The full spectrum of engineers and scientists actively participating in minerals education and research shall be eligible to be members of the Society.

Article 7 - Classes of Membership

There shall be Six classes of membership (all of which are subject to the discretion of the Membership Committee.):

Member: A person who is a full professor, or who has demonstrated a sufficiently high level of competency in minerals education and/or research and who is appointed as a member of academic staff at a university, or a retired member remaining active in minerals education, consulting and/or research.

Associate Member: A person who is a member of academic staff and who does not yet meet the full requirements of the 'Member' category, but who can demonstrate an important contribution to minerals education and/or research, or a person actively engaged in minerals education and/or research and who, in the opinion of the Membership Committee, is considered an asset to the Society.

Junior Member: A postgraduate student or junior member of staff involved in minerals education and/or research and who, in the opinion of the Membership Committee, shows potential for an academic career.

Emeritus Member: A retired Member invited to retain full membership by the Membership Committee in recognition of their contribution to the Society.

Retired Member: A member who has retired but still wishes to retain an interest in the Society.

Corporate Member: An organisation actively promoting minerals education and/or research and which contributes towards the Society achieving its goals.

Article 8 - Membership Committee

The President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past President and the Secretary General will act as the Membership Committee. The Membership Committee shall pronounce on all applications for membership, taking into account the curriculum vitae of the applicant and a supporting letter from the council member for the region in which he/she works. The vote shall be by secret ballot, if desired. A three-quarters majority of the total membership of the committee is required for the admission of an applicant, or for the exclusion of a member.

Article 9 - Resignations

A member who wishes to resign from the Society shall give notice of resignation addressed to the President of the Society. The resignations shall take immediate effect but shall not relieve the resigning member from any undischarged financial responsibility to the Society that he/she accepted prior to resignation.

Article 10 - Termination of Membership

The Council may terminate the membership of any member, the activities of whom are considered to be incompatible with the objectives of the Society. Such termination shall be proposed by the Council after having heard the defence (orally or in writing) of the interested party. They may also terminate membership for non-payment of the annual membership subscription, provided that the offending member shall first have received a reminder that he/she is overdue, followed by a warning that such termination is imminent if she/he continues to be in default of payment. The vote on the resolution to terminate the membership of any member shall be by secret ballot.

CHAPTER III: OFFICERS

Article 11 - Officers of the Society

The officers of the Society will be the President, President Elect, Immediate Past President, the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General.

Article 12 - Election of Officers

All appointments start and finish at an AGM.

The Secretary General shall be elected by the voting members of the Society upon the recommendation of the Council and shall have a five-year term of office (renewable for a maximum of one additional term). The Secretary General shall be responsible for conducting the correspondence of the Society, assisting the President in organizing the AGMs, ensuring the implementation of decisions taken at all meetings, distributing information of interest to members and maintaining records.

The Deputy Secretary General shall be elected by the voting members of the Society upon the recommendation of the Council and shall have a five year term of office. The respon-



sibilities of the Deputy Secretary General will include maintaining the finances of the Society.

There will be a President-Elect who will hold office for one year. He/she will be elected by the members present at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and shall be nominated by Council (normally the President-Elect will be a Professor from the University at which the next AGM is planned to be held).

The President will normally be the last President-Elect. His or her appointment will be confirmed at the AGM by the voting members of the Society there present.

CHAPTER IV - THE COUNCIL

Article 13 - Make-up of the Council

The Society shall be run by a Council.

The Council shall consist of the five Officers, together with representatives from the following areas: Europe, North America, South America, Africa, Asia, Oceania. The Council may co-opt a maximum of two other Members for specific assignments. If the organizer of the next annual general meeting is not a member of the Council, then he/she will automatically be one of the co-opted members.

The majority of the Council members shall normally be from the category of Member (as defined in Article 7). Associate Members shall be eligible to hold office and be members of Council, but the number of Associate Members holding office or being members shall always be a minority in the Council.

Article 14 – Role of the Council

Council shall order the affairs of the Society.

The President supported by the Secretary General and the Council shall have an annual programme of action, setting priorities for the activities of the Society during his/her term of office and this programme shall be considered at the Annual General Meeting of the Society (that programme will have been drawn up during his/her year as President-Elect).

The council shall meet at least once per year, normally at the time of and at the same site as the Annual General Meeting. The President in agreement with the Secretary General may convene other meetings in case of need. Notices of such meetings shall be sent at least 21 days before the dates of such meetings.

Article 15 - Election of Council Members

The Officers of the Society shall all be ex officio Council Members.

In addition to the Officers, regional members will be elected by voting members of the Society from the region concerned. The term of office will be a maximum of three years.

The Secretary General shall be responsible for the conduct of the regional voting process.

Article 16 - Quora and Voting

A quorum of the Council shall be 3 Officers of the Society (ref. Article 11). In the absence of a quorum a notice shall immediately be issued to reconvene the meeting to resolve any matters on which a vote is required. Such a reconvened meeting shall be held not less than 21 days and not more than 42 days after the original meeting, those present at the reconvened meeting constituting a quorum.

When a vote is taken in the Council, each member shall have one vote. In the event of an equality of votes the President shall have a second (casting) vote.

The vote in council shall be by secret ballot, if desired. Decisions shall be by simple majority of those present, except that a three-quarters majority of the total membership of the Council is required for modification of the Statutes. In this latter case, postal voting is acceptable.

Article 17 - Action between meetings

Between meetings of the Council the Secretary General shall have the authority to act in the name of the Society in urgent matters after seeking the agreement of the President and/or the President_Elect or that of other members of Council as appropriate.

Article 18 - Council responsibilities

All acts binding the Society shall be signed, except when a special proxy-holder has been designated, by two representatives of members of the Council or by the Secretary General, who will not need to prove the powers on which they are acting to third parties.

The Council shall be entrusted with court cases in which the Society is involved either as a plaintiff or as a defendant and the Society shall be represented in litigation by the President, Secretary General or by a member or members of the Council designated for this purpose.

CHAPTER V - MEETINGS

Article 19 – Annual General Meeting (AGM)

There shall be an annual general meeting held once per year. The venue for each AGM shall be chosen by vote at a previous AGM of the Society. Normally, the location of the next two AGMs only will be agreed at each meeting.

Any voting member may bid to hold an AGM. These proposals will be considered by the members present at the AGM during which the bid is made and the result will be decided by vote.

Once a site for a future AGM has been accepted, it is essential that the university concerned with the organization of that event, be represented and any AGM between such acceptance and the actual date of the meeting.

In the event of no representative being present at an intervening AGM, the right to hold the next (or subsequent) AGM may be withdrawn and it may be offered to an alternative venue.

Notice of AGMs will be sent out with the minutes of the previous AGM. In addition, the organizers will be expected to contact all members and inform them of the venue, dates etc of the



AGM. The organizer of the AGM, with the agreement of the Council represented by the Secretary General, is responsible for all invitations to speak, and the organization of the actual programme.

Article 20 – Voting Members

At any meeting of the Society where a vote is required, only those members within the membership categories of Member, Associate Member and Emeritus Member (as defined in Article 7) are eligible to vote, provided that such members have paid their annual membership fees of the Society for the current year.

Article 21 - Ordinary General Meetings (OGM)

An ordinary general meeting may be held at any time. Such meetings will be official meetings of the Society, but, unlike the AGMs will have no connection to the election of Society Officers. The organizers of the OGM will be expected to give the members ample (a minimum of 28 days) prior information on the venue, dates and agendas of the meeting.

Article 22 - Minutes of meetings

The minutes of each meeting of the Society shall be recorded. The said minutes shall contain a summary of all discussions, the text of proposals/motions submitted to the meeting and of the decisions taken, and shall include the results of any ballots taken.

The minutes shall be kept in the English Language and shall be distributed by the Secretary General as soon as practicable after the close of the meeting to all members. Any proposals for amendment of the record shall be submitted to the Secretary General within two months of the distribution and shall be considered at the next meeting of the Society. The final version of the record shall be signed by the President.

CHAPTER VI - SOCIETY PROGRAMMES AND INITIATIVES

Article 23 – Academic Programmes

The Society should foster the development of initiatives to ensure:

- Guardianship and leadership of academic knowledge and standards
- Awareness of health, safety, environment, community and sustainability in minerals education programmes
- Clusters/networks between universities, industry, governments, NGOs and alumni for the purpose of facilitating exchanges, sharing facilities and course offerings and reviewing and assessing programmes of participants
- Establishment of a register and data bank of programmes, personnel, facilities and other resources associated with minerals education and research
- Recognition of undergraduate, postgraduate and post academic / CPD programmes of participants
- Succession training of future academics in minerals disciplines

Article 24 - Research Programmes

The Society will actively seek to enhance the funding base for minerals related research with governments and industry. The Society will also actively promote coordination of research grants and the undertaking of major research initiatives.

Article 25 – Communications

The Society will pursue various means of communication amongst members (for example by means of a regular Newsletter); and publication of educational and research material (for example through a technical mining journal).

Article 26 - Exchange Opportunities

The Society shall foster development of initiatives to establish and maintain international student and staff exchange programmes.

Article 27 - Development of Conferences and Short Courses

The Society should consider supporting the development of conferences and short courses to benefit its members.

CHAPTER VII - FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Article 28 - Annual Subscriptions

An annual subscription rate for each membership category shall be proposed by the Council for endorsement by the voting members of the Society at each AGM. The income from such subscriptions shall be used, in part, to meet expenses duly approved by the Council (for example those for administrative matters and organisation of activities and support of any journal which the Society may, from time to time, adopt as its official Journal). The Treasurer, on behalf of the Council, shall report on the financial circumstances of the past year, and present a budget for the coming year.

Article 29 - Costs of AGM

The costs associated with the AGMs, will be born by the participants in the form of a registration fee. The AGM is expected to be run as a non-profit function and the fee charged to members is expected to be kept to the minimum required to cover the costs.



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16 th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
June 11-16, 2005, Ankara, Turkey**

Name			
Title			
University/Firm			
Address			
Zip Code/City			
Country			
Telephone		Fax:	
e-mail address			

ACCOMPANYING PERSON

Name			
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(1) Accommodation**Prices including breakfast + VAT**

Hotel and Venue	Category	Single Room	Double Room
Hotel Etap Altinel	*****	70 Euro	80 Euro

Number of nights: _____	from (date): _____	to (date): _____	
	from (date): _____	to (date): _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Room	<input type="checkbox"/> Double Room		
			Amount: _____ Euro

(2) Participation Fees

Participant:	<input type="checkbox"/> 220 Euro (before April 1, 2005)	<input type="checkbox"/> 250 Euro (after April 1, 2005)
Accompanying Person:	<input type="checkbox"/> 125 Euro	
Amount: _____ Euro		

(3) Excursion (June 14-16, 2005)

Two nights/3 days excursion: Fees include costs of the hotel (except private costs), 3 lunches, 2 dinners, social event, entrance to museums and transportation.

Double Room Occupancy	<input type="checkbox"/> 210 Euro per person
	<input type="checkbox"/> 240 Euro
Single Room Occupancy	
Amount: _____ Euro	

Total Amount: _____ Euro**Payment:**

The Total Participation fee of Euro will be paid by: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card	: Payable to Magnifico Tour/16 th SOMP Meeting		
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**Garanti Bank, Kizilay Branch**

Account No: for Euro 9094199; for USD 9094200

Swift Code :TGBATRISXXX

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