

## **Minutes of the 21st Annual General Meeting of the European Suiseki Association (ESA) at the 29th EBA ESA Convention in Audincourt, France**

Venue: Audincourt, France

Date: 31st March 2013

Time: 10:50-11:20

Participants : Igor Bárta (president), Gudrun Benz, Pierre Chantry, Šarka Čermáková, Ella Gornerova, Michal Šebo (secretary)

Proxies: Jesus Quintas Bermudes (by Igor Barta), Christoph Daim (by Michal Sebo)

(Appendix 1: list of participants, Appendix 2: financial report, Appendix 3: Auditor's report, Appendix 4: Proxies)

Language: English

Chairman: Igor Bárta

### **Proceeding of the Meeting**

#### **Point 1: Welcome by the President Igor Bárta**

The president welcomed all present thanking them for coming.

#### **Point 2: Suiseki Journal**

a) Martin Krivosík has activated the ESA website.

b) as there are two possibilities of subscribing to the Suiseki Journal, it will be necessary to update the members list accounting to these two options and add e-mail address.

c) distribution: Mr. Barta opened the topic of the journal distribution to single members of ESA. The Journal will have an electronic and a paper version. The paper version will be send out 2 times per 6 months.

d) It will be necessary to add to the website photos for the member's galleries as well as language mutations of suiseki classification. P. Chantry promised to finish the French version of the suiseki classification.

#### **Point 3: Financial report of the Tresurer Jesus Quintas Bermudez (Appendix 2)**

Michal Sebo read out the Financial report.

#### **Point 4: Auditor´s report (Appendix 3)**

Gudrun Benz summarized and presented the Auditor's report delivered by Marino Nikpal (that was delivered by e-mail to all Board members on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2013).

### **Point 5: Financial report approval, Minutes 2012**

The Financial report as well as the Minutes of the 20th AGM in Ljubljana were unanimously approved.

### **Point 6:**

Following EBA-ESA Convention will take place on 1-4 May 2014 in Wroclaw, Poland and 2015 in Vilnius, Lithuania. To the Convention opening ceremony the presence of the President of the Republic of Lithuania is promised.

### **Point 7: Awards and Certificates of Participation**

ESA Award was awarded to Michal Sebo for multistand of Japanese suiseki. President's award was awarded to Jean-Marc Pouillon. BCI Award went to Sarka Cermakova.

Mr. Barta has presented a „Certificate of Participation“ to those who had exhibited suiseki at the EBA ESA Convention in Audincourt 2013.

### **Point 8 :Miscellaneous**

#### a) Suiseki Journal contributions

Following authors have promised article(s) contribution to the Suiseki Journal:

Tom Elias: 1) Lingbi Stones,

2) Fossil Stones,

Gudrun Benz: 3) BCI exhibition in China,

Igor Barta: 4) EBA ESA exhibition in France

b) It was agreed that the Labels at the future Exhibitions will state the description in hosting country language as well as in English as the official language of ESA.

c) Kemin Hu visited Europe. Gudrun Benz has brought a print out for those who were interested to buy Kemin Hu's book.

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chairman:  
Igor Bárta, president

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minutes recorded by:  
Michal Šebo, secretary