



Minutes of the 77th General assembly of 16.05.2015 in Metz / F

President:	Gion Gross
Minutes:	Esther Huwiler
Attendance:	157 delegates with 86 voting cards
Guests:	Dr. Denis Jacquat, deputy of Moselle; Jean Pierre Liouville, Vice-President of the Lorraine region; Anne Dupire, Moselle veterinary surgeon; Michel Coque, director of the Metz fairground; Béatrice Agamenonne, assistant to the mayor of Metz; Michel Torloting, representative of Jean-Luc Bool, the president of the city of Metz
Start:	09:05 o' clock
End:	12:45 o' clock

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1. Opening, welcome

The president Gion Gross greets all those present at the 77th general assembly of the Entente Européenne in Metz. A special welcome goes to the honorary president Urs Freiburghaus, the organizers, all the honorary members present and the presidium members.

The agenda was sent to all and was published on the website.

Decision: *There are no requests for any changes to the agenda.*

Have excused themselves:

- Hans Ove Christiansen, Denmark
- Prof. Dr. Dr. Stanek, Germany
- Rudi Möckel, Germany
- Dr. Sergio Pompa, Italy
- Pierluigi Simonini, Italy
- Stasys Patkauskas, Lithuania
- Henk van Hout, The Netherlands
- Günther Wimmer, Austria
- Cavy section, San Marino
- Martin Wyss, Switzerland
- René Schlauri, Switzerland
- Dr. Peter Supuka, Slovak Republic
- Slavibor Petržílka, Czech Republic
- Jaroslav Kratochvíl, Czech Republic
- Popko Vladimir, Ukraine

All those who could not attend this meeting because of health reasons we wish a quick recovery. With a quote all our members that passed away were remembered.

Gion Gross sincerely thanks the translators Jean-Louis Frindel and Urs Lochmann who, once again, took on this challenging task. Also Kleintiere Schweiz are thanked for lending us for free their simultaneous interpreting equipment.

2. Recording attendance

Total attendance:	157
Voting cards:	86
Absolute majority:	44

Election of the vote counters:

Decision: *As vote counters are unanimously elected:*

- Derek Medlock, England
- Jacques Witry, Luxemburg
- Karl Wallner, Austria

3. Minutes of the General assembly of 31.05.2014 in Sarajevo

Decision: *The minutes of the last general assembly are unanimously approved and their author Esther Huwiler was thanked for them.*

4. President's report

Decision: *The president was thanked and his report was unanimously approved.*

5. General secretary's report

Decision: *The general secretary was thanked and her report was unanimously approved.*

6. Reports of the section chairmen (Poultry, Pigeons, Birds, Rabbits, Cavy)

The chairmen of the sections report on the section meetings. We refer to the minutes of these meetings.

7. Report of the chairman of the Animal welfare and health committee

The report of Prof. Dr. Schille is noted and he was thanked for his great job.

8. Treasurer's and auditors' reports

Treasurer Willy Littau informs the assembly about the finances:

Total income:	EUR 42'502.86
Total expenses:	EUR 27'649.72
Balance on 31.12.2014:	EUR 66'966.54

Erwin Bär reads out the auditor's report which certifies an immaculate job by the treasurer.

Decision: *The financial report and the auditors' report are unanimously approved and the treasurer and the presidium are discharged.*

Andy Verelst proposes that "the section chairmen are no longer paid for their participation at the judges meetings".

Decision: *the proposal was rejected with 15 YES to 23 NO.*

The liquidity plan until 2021 was shown and explained by Gion Gross. The plan shows that we urgently need to find new incomes.

9. Elections

9.1 Auditors for 2015

Erwin Bär stands down according to the constitution.

Decision: *Roland Ohlinger and Günther Wimmer move up and are unanimously elected.*

9.2 Reserve auditor

Decision: *Yvon Weissenbacher from France was unanimously elected.*

10. Honors

As a token for his great achievements, Rudi Möckel from Germany was awarded a well-deserved honorary membership. Unfortunately he couldn't attend the meeting for health reasons.

11. Proposals

Allocation of the EE-meeting in 2022 to Bosnia and Herzegovina

Bosnia and Herzegovina applied for the organization of the 2022 EE-meeting. The Bosnian federation celebrates its fiftieth anniversary in 2021 and wishes to celebrate this event with the entire EE-family in 2022.

Decision: *the proposal was unanimously accepted.*

12. Acceptance of new members

Ukraine, Pigeons and **San Marino, Cavy** applied for EE membership. They registered for the general assembly but shortly afterwards excused themselves. Since no representative is present, their membership application cannot be voted.

Lithuania, Poultry had also applied for EE-membership and representatives attended the meeting. However they informed us about the existence of two poultry organizations in their country and therefore they can unfortunately not be accepted as a new member today. We are happy to learn they are willing to try to cooperate with the other organization.

The following countries/sections applied for EE membership and provided all the necessary documents. Their delegates briefly present their organizations.

Lithuania, Pigeons

Decision: *the Lithuanian pigeon section was unanimously accepted.*

Denmark, Birds

Decision: *the Danish bird section was unanimously accepted.*

Belgium, Birds

Decision: *the Belgian bird section was unanimously accepted.*

Finland, Poultry

Decision: *the Finnish poultry section was unanimously accepted.*

Serbia

In Serbia there were three federations and because no collaboration between them could be established, Serbia's membership was suspended. Two of them meanwhile founded a roof-organization and provided all the necessary information. The third federation didn't want to be part of this new organization so far.

Decision: *The Serbian roof organization is accepted with five abstentions but under the following conditions:*

- 1. The roof organization is prepared to accept the third federation as a member under the condition that they will have three members in its presidium and the two others together also three.*
- 2. The constitution must be changed in such a way that the new participating federation will have exactly the same rights and obligations as the two existing member-federations.*
- 3. The three federations will set a date by the end of the month for a meeting to prepare the entrance of the third federation in the roof organization.*
- 4. Further collaboration can be determined in the constitution but the three federations stay autonomous.*

13. Information on the EE-meetings

2016 04. – 08. May Eventhotel Pyramide in Vienna / Austria

Since Günther Wimmer was hospitalized very recently, the meeting was briefly presented by Urs Freiburghaus and he already welcomed everyone in Vienna today.

The next General assemblies:

2017	24. - 28. May	Hungary
2018	09. – 13. May	Denmark
2019	29. May – 02. June	Croatia
2020	20. – 24. May	Czech Republic
2021	12. – 16. May	Germany
2022	25. – 29. May	Bosnia and Herzegovina
2024	08. – 12. May	Austria
2027	05. – 09. May	The Netherlands
2030	29. May – 02. June	Czech Republic

14. Preview on the Europe Show 2015 in Metz/F

Gion Gross sincerely thanks the honorary president, Urs Freiburghaus, who supports the organization committee intensively. He asks all attendants to start promoting this Europe show.

Gaston Harter, the president of the organization committee, informs us about the Europe show 2015 in Metz/F.

Esther Huwiler asks everyone who didn't send back the form with the contact persons yet to urgently get in touch with her or Guy Soursac.

15. Suggestions and requests

None.

16. Miscellaneous

Jasper Smelt wishes the organization of the Europe show a lot of animals and a lot of visitors. He thanks the presidium for the good work. A special thanks goes to Esther Huwiler, who visited three shows in The Netherlands and gives her a pair of typical Dutch wooden shoes.

The main sponsor, Mifuma – feeds, makes a short presentation about their products.

Gion Gross and Esther Huwiler have shown the new electronic members administration the day before in the section meetings and given each section / country the login data. Esther Huwiler asks for help with the data input. Only the changes made by countries / sections that returned the undersigned login forms will be accepted. Questions can be sent to Esther Huwiler by email. However she kindly asks for patience because with a new system there are bound to be teething problems.

For Facebook is the rule that only German, English and French language is accepted and all comments in other languages are removed. Esther Huwiler kindly asks to respect this rule.

Gion Gross asks if any attendant is participating for the last time at the general assembly. This is not the case, which is of course pleasant news.

Nobody wants to add anything to the meeting no more.

Gion Gross expresses his thanks for all the many invitations to happenings that he accepts whenever possible and also for the many federation magazines that he receives.

A big thank you goes to everyone for the active participation but also for the discipline so that we could finish our meeting within acceptable time. He also thanks the presidium members for the good collaboration and the translators Jean-Louis Frindel and Urs Lochmann.

Special thanks goes to Gaston Harter and his team for organizing this meeting.

There are no complaints about the way the meeting was held nor about the way the votes were organized.

Gion Gross looks forward to a new EE-year, to many good encounters and to the many challenges that we will all together overcome.

He hopes to see everybody again, next year in Vienna, and closes the general assembly 2015.

CH-Oberrüti, 19.05.2015

Esther Huwiler
General secretary