



## Annex 18

### **Eurogroup Report**

Due to plain time constraints during regular weekly Committee sessions, it was found necessary to breakdown Eurogroup meeting into three sessions, the first of these took place on Sunday afternoon before the assembly opening, the second on Monday and the third on Wednesday after the Professional Committee's last session for that day.

#### **session – 1**

- The Chair reviewed the present activity status of Eurogroup and pointed out what the major flaws were in his understanding, that kept Eurogroup from developing its full potential.
- The way ahead, again in the Chair's view was outlined, namely that massive participation was needed and ATSEP man-hours be made available to the various workgroups in Europe.
- IFATSEA – Vp Theodore Kiritsis presented a brief synthesis of the SESAR involvement on the part of IFATSEA and the work breakdown structure at present.
- IFATSEA – Vp Dany van der Biest gave a short overview on IFATSEA's involvement and conclusions on the ECORYS – ATSEP licensing impact study.

#### **session – 2**

- This session started with reactive input from Eurogroup members on the question of the flaws of Eurogroup administration and representation from Greece noted that lack of structure and lack of ATSEP obligation to perform work were major contributive factors.
- The Chair called for volunteers countries for the organization of next meeting.
- It was noted by both Iain Findlay, IFATSEA executive secretary and Joe Magee from ETF that a possible venue would be Southampton in July, to coincide with ETF meeting there.
- The Chair expressed the view that, lacking other choice that would be considered, because it was deemed preferable that the action list produced at the the Eurogroup meeting should be forwarded to the IFATSEA executive board meeting in April.
- Belgium expressed the willingness to study the organization of this event again.
- Iain Findlay, IFATSEA executive secretary and Joe Magee from ETF gave a presentation on work going on in JATMWG.
  - It was expressed that there was a need to push for the integration of the ATSEP Training Manual into the SES common requirements.
  - Joe Magee from ETF called for more ATSEP participation in JATMWG.
- Iain Findlay, IFATSEA executive secretary briefed the Eurogroup on ICB participation and recent developments.



**session – 3**

- A form was handed out to all present to detail availability to participate in IFATSEA - Eurogroup activities, a significant amount of replies was received.
  - Data will be collected in a list and handed out to members for selection.
- Austria submitted proposal to host next Eurogroup meeting in April 2007, this was accepted with the note of gratitude to Belgium for its permanent commitment, generosity and availability but we would let them rest for this time, on the basis that the workload should be shared throughout Europe.
- The Czech Republic also expressed willingness to host again this event, our gratitude to them much in the same way as Belgium for their commitment to ATSEP work in Europe.

**Wrap-up**

- After closing of assembly a short meeting will take place to wrap-up SESAR issues, work breakout programming.
- A communication from Spain's FSAI will be presented.