

***MINUTES OF THE AEHT ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HELD ON NOVEMBER 13TH 2013
ON BOARD THE 'COSTA MEDITERRANEA'***



Jean-Paul Bernard, founder of the AEHT, making his speech on the platform of the Osiris Theatre on board the Costa Mediterranea on November 13th 2013

**LIST OF THOSE ATTENDING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON THE MEDITERRANEAN ON
NOVEMBER 13TH**

Country	Code	Establishment	Location	Forename	Surname
ARMENIA	ARM 01	YEREVAN STATE ARMENIAN-GREEK COLLEGE OF TOURISM, SERVICE FOOD INDUSTRY	YEREVAN	Artur	VARDANYAN
AUSTRIA	A01	TOURISMUSCHULEN SALZKAMMERGUT / BAD ISCHL	BAD ISCHL	Klaus	ENENGL
AUSTRIA	HON-09	MEMBRE HONORAIRE DE L'AEHT / AEHT HONORARY MEMBER	BAD ISCHL	Hans	RUSSEGGER
AUSTRIA	A04	TOURISMUSCHULEN BAD LEONFELDEN	BAD LEONFELDEN	Herbert	PANHOLZER
AUSTRIA	A14	PANNONEUM, Wirtschafts- und Tourismusschulen	NEUSIEDL AM SEE	Ruth	ANKERL
AUSTRIA	A07	TOURISMUSCHULEN SEMMERING	SEMMERING	Jürgen	KÜRNER
AUSTRIA	HON-10	MEMBRE HONORAIRE DE L'AEHT / AEHT HONORARY MEMBER	ST GEORGEN/GUSEN	Adolf	STEINDL
AUSTRIA	A02	TOURISMUSCHULEN AM WILDEN KAISER	ST. JOHANN / TIROL	Ellen	SIEBERER
AUSTRIA	A03	ZILLERTALER TOURISMUSCHULEN	ZELL AM ZILLER	Alfred	MÜLLER
BELGIQUE	B02	PROVINCIAAL INSTITUUT PIVA	ANTWERPEN	Luc	BASTIAENS
BELGIUM	B20	KATHOLIEKE HOGESCHOOL VIVES	BRUGGE (SINT-MICHIELS)	Theo	VERKOYEN
BELGIQUE	B22	HOTELSCHOOL HASSELT KTA3	HASSELT	Valentin	MENTIOR
BELGIQUE	B01	COLOMAplus	MECHELEN	Danny	DESMET
BELGIQUE	B25	HOTELSCHOOL OOSTENDE	OOSTENDE	Luc	DEROO
BELGIQUE	B21	KTA WEMMEL	WEMMEL	Herman	SIEBENS
CROATIA	CR21	SREDNJA SKOLA HRVATSKI KRALJ ZVONIMIR KRK	KRK	Carol	MARKOVIC
CROATIA	CR04	HOTELIJERSKO-TURISTICKA SKOLA	OPATIJA	Ksenija	BELJAN
CROATIA	CR06	TURISTICKO UGOSTITELJSKA SKOLA "ANTONA STIFANICA"	POREC	Vesna	BARANASIC
CROATIA	CR10	SKOLA ZA TURIZAM, UGOSTITELJSTVO I TRGOVINU PULA	PULA KANDLEROVA	Vedrana	BRAYKOVIC
CROATIA	CR01	TOURISTICKO - UGOSTITELJSKA SKOLA	SPLIT	Ivo	BILIC
CROATIA	CR23	VOCATIONAL SCHOOL VINKOVCI	VINKOVCI	Danijela	TOMICA
CROATIA	CR11	HOTELIJERSKO TURISTICKA SKOLA U ZAGREBU	ZAGREB	Marija	RASAN-KRIZANAC
ESTONIA	AEHT-18	KURESSAARE AMETIKOOL/REGIONAL TRAINING CENTRE	KURESSAARE	Ahti	PAJU
ESTONIA	EE01	KURESSAARE AMETIKOOL/REGIONAL TRAINING CENTRE	KURESSAARE	Neeme	RAND
ESTONIA	EE02	TALLINN TEENINDUSKOOL - TALLINN SCHOOL OF SERVICE	TALLINN	Meeli	KALDMA
ESTONIA	EE03	TARTU VOCATIONAL EDUCATION CENTRE	TARTU	Liivi	RAUDSEPP
FINLAND	FIN08	YRKESINSTITUTET PRAKTICUM	HELSINKI	Asa	KROOK

FRANCE	HON-14	MEMBRE HONORAIRE DE L'AEHT/AEHT HONORARY MEMBER	BONNEVILLE	Annie	COLLINET
FRANCE	F03	LYCEE DES METIERS D'HÔTELLERIE ET DE TOURISME SAINT QUENTIN EN YVELINES	GUYANCOURT CEDEX	Philippe	GOUVERNET
FRANCE	F998-IND	HOTEL DES REMPARTS	KAYSERSBERG	Christiane	KELLER
FRANCE	F20	LYCEE HÔTELIER SAINTE-ANNE	SAINT-NAZAIRE	Joseph	LE GAL
FRANCE	HON-17	Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie	ST-GERMAIN EN LAYE	Alain	ROSSIGNOL
GERMANY	HON-12	MEMBRE HONORAIRE DE L'AEHT / AEHT HONORARY MEMBER	DORTMUND	Jürgen	CLAUSEN
GERMANY	D04	HBFS FÜR DAS HOTEL-, GASTSTÄTTEN- UND FREMDENVERKEHRSGEWERBE	SAARBRÜCKEN	Sibylle	WEBER-POHL
HUNGARY	H01	GIORGIO PERLASCA Kereskedelmi, Vendéglátóipari Szakközépiskola és Szakiskola	BUDAPEST	Csilla	DEVENYI
IRELAND	IRL09	CORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	CORK	John	O'HARA
ITALY	I48	IIS "BARTOLOMEO SCAPPI"	CASTEL SAN PIETRO TERME (BO)	Paola	MAMBELLI
ITALY	I07	IPSSAR	CERVIA (RA)	Carla Maria	GATTI
ITALY	I12	IPSSART "G. VARNELLI"	CINGOLI (MC)	Sabrina	FONDATO
ITALY	I23	IIS "ORIO VERGANI"	FERRARA (FE)	Roberta	MONTI
ITALY	I135	IS "GIOVANNI FALCONE"	GALLARATE (VA)	Silvano	GONARASCHI
ITALY	I87	IIS "ANTONELLO"	MESSINA (ME)	Maria	MUSCHERA
ITALY	I04	IIS "S. MARTA - G. BRANCA"	PESARO (PS)	Stefania	BENVENUTI
ITALY	I45	IIS "ARTURO PREVER"	PINEROLO (TO)	Rinaldo	MERLONE
ITALY	I36	IPSSAR "SEVERO SAVIOLI"	RICCIONE (RN)	Giuseppe Filiberto	CIAMPOLI
ITALY	I88	IPSSAR "PELLEGRINO ARTUSI"	ROMA (RM)	Maria Perla	PUGLIESE
ITALY	I02	IIS "A. PANZINI"	SENIGALLIA (AN)	M. Rosella	BITTI
LATVIA	LV04	KULDIGA TECHNOLOGY AND TOURISM VOCATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL	KULDIGA	Dace	CINE
LATVIA	LV01	RIGA TECHNICAL SCHOOL OF TOURISM AND CREATIVE INDUSTRY	RIGA	Silva	OZOLINA
LITHUANIA	LT03	KAUNO MAISTO PRAMONES IR PREKYBOS MOKYOMO CENTRAS	KAUNAS	Alvydas Pranas	GREVAS
LITHUANIA	LT01	VILNIUS TOURISM AND COMMERCE SCHOOL	VILNIUS	Birute	STASIUNIENE
LUXEMBOURG	L03-OBS	LYCÉE ERMESINDE MERSCH	BERINGEN	Jeannot	MEDINGER
LUXEMBOURG	L01	LYCEE TECHNIQUE HOTELIER "ALEXIS HECK"	DIEKIRCH	Ronny	THILL
LUXEMBOURG	AEHT-03	AEHT HEAD OFFICE	SANDWEILER	Nadine	SCHINTGEN
LUXEMBOURG	AEHT-19	AEHT HEAD OFFICE	SANDWEILER	Xavier	THEIN
Macedonia (FYROM)	MK01	PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR CATERING, TOURISM AND HOTEL SERVICES "LAZAR TANEV"	SKOPJE	Zoran	NIKOLOVSKI

MALTA	M02	INSTITUTE OF TOURISM STUDIES	ST JULIAN'S	Ernest	AZZOPARDI
NORWAY	N01	STRINDA UPPER SECONDARY SCHOOL	TRONDHEIM	Stig	ANDREASSEN
PAKISTAN	PK01-OBS	ITHM (Institute of Tourism & Hotel Management)	FAISALABAD	Muhammed Naveed	ASGHAR
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POLAND	PL03	ZESPÓL SZKÓL EKONOMICZNO-HOTELARSKICH IM. E. GIERCZAK	KOŁOBRZEG	Zbigniew	STANKIEWICZ
POLAND	PL01	ZESPÓL SZKÓL HOTELARSKO-TURYSTYCZNO-GASTRONOMICZNYCH NR 1 W WARSZAWIE	VARSOVIE	Bogusława	PIENKOWSKA
PORTUGAL	P12	EFTA-Escola de Formação Profissional em Turismo de Aveiro	AVEIRO	Manuel	TORRAO
PORTUGAL	P05	ESCOLA DE HOTELARIA E TURISMO DE COIMBRA	COIMBRA	Ana Paula	PAIS
PORTUGAL	P04	ESCOLA DE HOTELARIA E TURISMO DO ESTORIL	ESTORIL	Miguel	DUARTE
PORTUGAL	P03	ESCOLA DE HOTELARIA E TURISMO DO ALGARVE	FARO	Paulo	REVES
PORTUGAL	P11	ESCOLA DE HOTELARIA E TURISMO DO DOURO - LAMEGO - TURISMO DE PORTUGAL	LAMEGO	Paulo	MORAIS VAZ
PORTUGAL	P02	ESCOLA DE HOTELARIA E TURISMO DE LISBOA	LISBOA	Miguel	DUARTE
PORTUGAL	P09	TOURISMO DE PORTUGAL, I.P.	LISBOA	Paulo	REVES
PORTUGAL	P07	ESCOLA DE FORMACAO TURISTICA E HOTELEIRA	PONTA DELGADA / ACORES	Filipe	ROCHA
PORTUGAL	P01	ESCOLA DE HOTELARIA E TURISMO DO PORTO	PORTO	Paulo	VAZ
PORTUGAL	P08	ESCOLA PROFISSIONAL DA PRAIA DA VITORIA	PRAIA DA VITORIA	Borges	DOMINGOS
RUSSIA	RUS09	INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE "POLYGLOT"	CHERKESSK	Mardzhan	DAGUZHIEVA
RUSSIA	RUS01	PETROVSKY COLLEGE	ST PETERSBOURG	Olga	VAKHMANOVA
SLOVAKIA	AEHT-11	AEHT HEAD OFFICE	PRESOV	Natalia	KOMANICKA
SLOVAKIA	SK01	HOTEL ACADEMY	PRESOV	Jozef	SENKO
SLOVAKIA	SK04	HOTEL ACADEMY	SPISSKÁ NOVÁ VES	Milan	KUDRIK
SLOVENIA	SLO01	VOCATIONAL COLLEGE FOR CATERING AND TOURISM BLED	BLED	Janez	DAMJAN
SLOVENIA	SLO09	BIOTECHNICAL EDUCATIONAL CENTRE LJUBLJANA	LJUBLJANA	Jasna	KRZIN-STEPISNIK
SLOVENIA	SLO02	VOCATIONAL COLLEGE FOR CATERING AND TOURISM MARIBOR	MARIBOR	Helena	CVIKL
SPAIN	E04	JESUÏTES SARRIÀ-ESCOLA SUPERIOR D'HOSTALERIA I TURISME SANT IGNASI	BARCELONA	Marc	CASTELLO
SWEDEN	S33	ULLVIGYMNASJET	KÖPING	Arne	LARSSON
SWITZERLAND	CH04	SCUOLA SUPERIORE ALBERGHIERA E DEL TURISMO	BELLINZONA	Peter	WALLISER

SWITZERLAND	CH01	SSTH - SWISS SCHOOL OF TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY	PASSUGG	Thomas	KÖSTER
THE NETHERLANDS	NL05	ROC MONDRIAAN	THE HAGUE	Remco	KOERTS
TURKEY	TR17	CANKAYA IMKB OTELCILIK VE TURIZM MESLEK LISESI	ANKARA	Osman	KUMAS
TURKEY	TR01	ETILER OTELCILIK VE TURIZM MESLEK LISESI	ETILER-BESIKTAS / ISTANBUL	Serpil	ARDA
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1. Welcome speech

AEHT President Klaus ENENGL welcomed all the school directors, honorary members and AEHT Executive Board members attending this 26th AEHT Ordinary General Assembly which was exceptionally taking place on board a ship, the Costa Mediterranea, as it cruised on the Mediterranean.

Firstly Klaus ENENGL apologized for the slight delay caused by the accreditation procedure and for the fact that the technical installations of the Osiris theatre could not handle the simultaneous interpretation of the contributions into the AEHT's two official languages, English and French. It was for this reason that all the speakers had been requested to provide a written translation of the reports which they were to present today.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

In the absence of any observations, the agenda was unanimously adopted.

3. Minutes of the previous Ordinary General Assembly held in Ohrid on October 10th 2012, published on the AEHT's website (www.aeht.eu)

In the absence of any observations the minutes of the previous General Assembly held on October 10th 2012 in Ohrid (Macedonia) were unanimously agreed as a true record of the meeting.

4. Report from the Outgoing President (Klaus ENENGL)

Before moving on to the various agenda items, the President emphasised that it had been a crazy idea to organise the AEHT Annual Conference and competitions on board a cruise ship. The AEHT Presidium had had to move quickly to find a solution following the withdrawal of the French offer to organise the event. After several weeks of intensive preparation the conference and the competitions were now well under way. From what he had been able to see thus far, Klaus ENENGL thought that this initiative had been a very good idea.

Klaus ENENGL went on to say that 2013 had been a very busy year for the Presidium members: some exceptional events had been organised, and Klaus took the opportunity to thank all the collaborators for their valiant support.

This is a summary of the most important events:

- **Election of National Representatives in 2013**

For the first time the election of the National Representatives had been carried out electronically and this had proved to be a success. We had thus been able to avoid the expense of conducting a postal ballot.

Unfortunately there were still some vacancies among the National Representatives (notably for Cyprus and Greece) because the AEHT had not been notified of any candidates for these countries. The elections had been held in accordance with the AEHT statutes; they had been announced in good time and the AEHT had allowed sufficient time for candidatures to be notified, ensuring that all the deadlines were respected.

It was for this reason that the Presidium had not allowed the elections for one particular country to be rerun. They considered that the National Representative for this country had been elected in accordance with the rules, so the AEHT legally recognised the candidate initially elected.

- **Election of the AEHT Presidium**

The mandates of the President and Vice-Presidents had just come to an end and fresh elections had been held the previous day in the course of the Executive Board meeting. The results of these elections would have to be ratified by the Ordinary General Assembly.

- **2nd AEHT Youth Parliament in Iceland (April 8th-14th 2013)**

The second AEHT Youth Parliament in Iceland had been a success for the organisers as well as for the participants. The AEHT offers a large number of activities and this was the reason why there had been a small number of participating countries.

The AEHT intended to organise a third AEHT Youth Parliament before finally including it in the list of regular activities. Next year the Youth Parliament would run in Porec (Croatia).

Klaus ENENGL thought that the four years of his mandate had passed very quickly. He still clearly remembered his election to the Presidency in Dubrovnik. The moment had come to hand over his responsibilities to his successor, Ana-Paula PAIS from Portugal.

The President rounded off his report by thanking most warmly all those who had supported him during the four years of his mandate – the Vice-Presidents, the National Representatives, the organising schools, the judging panel members and all the other collaborators.

Klaus ENENGL ended his report by wishing Ana-Paula PAIS and the members of her team the best of luck. In his new role as Vice-President within the Presidium for the coming four years he pledged all his support for the new President.

5. Report from the outgoing Vice-President Responsible for fixed events and for relations with the OIF (Louis ROBERT)

After dedicating 25 years to the AEHT, including 22 years in the Presidium, Louis ROBERT regretfully announced that he would no longer be a candidate for another mandate in the AEHT Presidium. The 22 years which he had dedicated to the Association had resulted in unique experiences and enriching meetings with people who had become long-standing friends.

Louis ROBERT owed much to the AEHT as well as to those who had contributed to the creation and the life of the Association – that is to say to all those present.

Louis Robert took this opportunity to thank all the AEHT members for their support, their trust and their friendship throughout all these years. He would be leaving the Presidium not without regrets, but would remain active within the Association in his role as National Representative for Luxembourg.

Even though Louis ROBERT had taken retirement two years ago, his former school, the Diekirch Hotel School in Luxembourg, would continue to host the AEHT Head Office.

Louis ROBERT had recently opened a higher education college for hotel management, a private establishment with an international mission which offered a university training delivered in English leading to Bachelor and Masters degrees.

Over the last seven years Louis Robert's task had consisted mainly of coordinating the organisation of the Annual Conference.

In general the organisation was carried out by one of the AEHT member schools, which dealt with the details. Louis ROBERT's role was to advise the organisers and to help them with their preparatory work, in particular in setting up the competitions, the high point of this event.

In 2013 everything had been different. There had been no organising school, and therefore no local teachers to handle the preparations, and no equipment or infrastructure as is usually the case; no students to help the organisers, to prepare the meals or to guide the participants.

The challenge of organising this 25th Anniversary AEHT Annual Conference on board a cruise ship had been a wild idea presenting incredible constraints, and was almost mission impossible.

But this idea had now become reality with more than 700 participants who had placed their trust in the AEHT to visit five cities in three different countries, to experience fantastic times and above all to watch the competitions with around 300 students.

For this 2013 Annual Conference the whole Presidium had taken part in the preparations; each member had contributed to their utmost. In addition the AEHT had had the services of many volunteers from member schools, as well as of judging panel chairs who had generously helped in the running of the competitions. Louis ROBERT asked the school directors attending this meeting to thank all the contributors for their much appreciated work. If they were prepared to pick up the same challenge next year, the new Vice-President responsible for the coordination of the competitions would much appreciate their help in guiding him in his new task.

Next Louis ROBERT thanked Christiane KELLER for her dedication to Christmas in Europe; Christiane KELLER had been managing this event most efficiently since its inception.

Louis ROBERT concluded by admitting that he was leaving his Vice-President's role with a tear in his eye, though also with great relief. He was certain that with the new President and her team, the running of the AEHT was in good hands.

6. Report from the outgoing Vice-President Responsible for Relations with the Hotel Profession (Bogusława PIENKOWSKA)

Bogusława PIENKOWSKA began her report by reminding the meeting that her Vice-President's role included responsibility for teachers' professional placements, and that the cooperative arrangement with the ACCOR Group had been suspended several years previously.

In 2013 Bogusława PIENKOWSKA had contacted a German hotel group, but the group's directors do not accept teachers for these observation placements.

Unfortunately the representatives of the Portuguese hotel chain Pestana had at the last minute cancelled a meeting scheduled for March 2013. They had suggested moving the meeting to May 2013, but Bogusława PIENKOWSKA would not have been able to be present. She is still waiting for Pestana's reply, and Bogusława PIENKOWSKA has still had no contact from the chain's management. She would keep the Assembly informed of the outcome of this matter.

The Vice-President emphasised that she always tried to ensure that the arrangements were similar to those which applied to the previous ACCOR scheme. In principle the teachers' accommodation should be free of charge. Over the coming months Bogusława PIENKOWSKA would try to find a solution to the matter of teachers' placements.

She concluded by expressing the view that we should set up European projects as part of EU programmes such as Leonardo da Vinci or Erasmus in order to co-finance the continuing education of teachers in future.

7. Report from the outgoing Vice-President Responsible for Professional Placements as well as for Activities relating to Quality Management and Business Ethics (Herman SIEBENS)

Unlike Bogusława PIENKOWSKA, Herman SIEBENS had had no difficulty in finding offers of teacher placements in the Starwood Group.

The AEHT's officers were constantly in search of placements in other countries. But at the moment the AEHT did not need any extra placements, given that only six teachers had applied for places in 2013, as illustrated by a table projected onto the screen of the conference hall. Above all the AEHT should strive to increase the interest among teachers for these placements.

- **Seminar on leadership styles**

Herman SIEBENS informed the audience that a seminar on ‘leadership styles’ would take place on the Costa Mediterranea on the afternoon of Wednesday November 13th. Herman SIEBENS was pleased to note that the number of participants at the management seminars was constantly increasing.

- **Survey of national networks**

A survey had been carried out among National Representatives to find out ‘what you do at national level to improve cooperation among your network of member schools’, but the results had been inconclusive. Given the poor response rate, it had unfortunately been impossible to present any meaningful results at the European level.

Herman SIEBENS concluded his report by stating that AEHT members should try to improve their networking activities at a national level in order to increase the number of members affiliated to the AEHT and in order to make the Association more dynamic.

8. Report from the outgoing Vice-President responsible for occasional events, for information on national education systems and for EU educational programmes (Ana Paula PAIS)

In her role as Vice-President, Ana Paula PAIS was responsible for coordinating occasional seminars and events at the European level. To illustrate her report, Ana Paula PAIS projected onto the screen a table showing the seminars organised in 2013 and those planned for 2014. Ana Paula PAIS informed the meeting that in 2013 11 seminars had been held by various member schools, and that more occasional events were scheduled for 2014:

Date	Event
To be announced	AEHT Youth Parliament, Porec (Croatia)
March 2014	
13 – 16 March	Seminar entitled ‘Kolobrzeg – Land of Flavours of the Sea’, Kolobrzeg (Poland)
April 2014	
1 – 3 April	9 th G&T Bartender Competition 2014, Bled (Slovenia)
2 – 4 April	Flavours and Film - Algarve’14, Faro (Portugal)
3 – 6 April	Seminar for directors and teachers (EQF level 5 and above) entitled ‘Hotel and Tourism Management in Alpine Destinations’, Zell am Ziller (Austria)
7 – 9 April	16 th ‘Bartolomeo Scappi’ international competition, Castel San Pietro Terme (Italy)
9 – 12 April	2 nd Aveiro ‘Fish and Culinary Arts’ Festival (Portugal)
May 2014	
To be announced	Seminar on ‘Wines of the Douro – Experience of an Emotion’, Lamego (Portugal)
June 2014	
19 – 26 June	‘10 th Festival of the Azores 2014 - 10 days, 10 chefs’ in Ponta Delgada, São Miguel Island (Portugal)
September 2014	

To be announced	'WSET® ' (Wine and Spirit Education Trust) seminar leading to wine and spirits level 2 certificate, Maribor (Slovenia)
October 2014	
To be announced	Seminar and competition on the improvement and promotion of the wine of Pisa and its province, Pisa (Italy)
To be announced	'Eurocup 2014' – 22 nd young bartender competition, Prešov (Slovakia)
November 2014	
16 -21 November	27 th AEHT Annual Conference, Belgrade (Serbia)
December 2014	
Week beginning 8 December	23 rd Christmas in Europe, Prešov (Slovakia)
6 - 8 December	2014 Atlantic Chocolate Festival (creation, presentation and competition of chocolate and sugar paste sculptures), Praia da Vitória, Terceira Island, Azores (Portugal)

After reviewing the events calendar for 2014, Ana Paula PAIS announced that a number of member schools had stated that they were interested in organising similar seminars in future. The events were always a most enriching experience for both students and teachers, who had an opportunity to improve their professional skills in an international environment.

Further information about forthcoming seminars would be provided by representatives of the organising schools at the end of the present meeting.

9. Report from the outgoing Vice-President responsible for Promotion and for the AEHT Website (Neeme RAND)

Before delivering his activities report Neeme Rand introduced the AEHT webmaster Ahti PAJU from the Ametikool School in Kuressaare, Estonia and welcomed him to the meeting. Neeme RAND presented statistics relating to the AEHT website, illustrating his data with numerous graphs.

- **AEHT website statistics**

In 2013 the AEHT website received 32,165 hits. This represented a slight increase, of 2000 additional visits, compared with 2012. The largest number of visitors were from Italy, with 4,191 visits. France was in second place with 2,070 visits, followed by Austria (1,475 visits) and the United States with 1,467 visits.

Most of the web surfers use the Google search engine to access the AEHT website (17,817 out of a total of 32,167 visitors). As had been the case for 2012, the number of hits increased progressively between July and October 2013, to reach its peak around mid-November at the time of the AEHT Annual Conference.

Neeme RAND went on to present the various services available to AEHT members thanks to new information and communication technologies:

- **AEHT membership database:**

This online database had been specially designed to manage the information on AEHT members. This data is constantly updated by the secretariat.

- **Registration forms for the Annual Conference**

These forms are available online and enable members to register for the AEHT Annual Conference. The forms are directly linked to the membership database.

- **Website in English and French**

The AEHT website is available in both English and French versions

- **Group e-mail addresses**

We had created group e-mail addresses which made it possible to send e-mails to several people using a single e-mail address. Access to this service required prior authorisation from the secretariat. The following group e-mail addresses were available: members@aeht.eu, presidium@aeht.eu, representatives@aeht.eu, conference2013@aeht.eu.

Next Neeme RAND presented statistics relating to the usage of the AEHT's Facebook page. Since the page was set up, 829 visitors had indicated that they like the Facebook page. This number consisted of 54% males and 46% females possessing a Facebook account. The Facebook page is constantly updated by the AEHT's website administrator.

Neeme RAND concluded his report by stating that the officers took care to improve the anti-virus system which protects the AEHT website against attacks by hackers and against virus infections. Moreover, Ahti PAJU was in the process of developing a new interface for the website which would allow users to access it from a mobile telephone.

Finally Neeme RAND requested the whole AEHT membership to reflect collectively on ways of improving communication between AEHT members.

10. Report from the Treasurer (Hans RUSSEGGER)

The AEHT Treasurer Hans RUSSEGGER presented the AEHT balance sheets for 2012. A summary of the profit and loss accounts was projected onto the screen of the meeting hall and Hans RUSSEGGER gave a commentary on the various headings of this document.

- **Profit and loss table for 2012**

The Luxembourg government had paid its annual grant for 2012, thus balancing the accounts. The AEHT had also benefitted from a financial contribution from the EU's Youth in Action programme as well as from a grant from the Austrian government.

The Assembly unanimously approved the 2012 accounts. The outgoing President Klaus ENENGL thanked Hans RUSSEGGER for his excellent work as treasurer which he had carried out on a voluntary basis for many years.

- **Projected budget for 2014**

The AEHT would no longer be in receipt of the Austrian government grant in 2014. The 2014 budget would therefore be considerably smaller than in 2013.

To remedy this situation Klaus ENENGL requested each member country to find a privileged professional partner, preferably in the tourism or hospitality sector. By paying a yearly contribution to the AEHT, this national partner could contribute to financing the AEHT's activities. In return the AEHT would display the partner's logo on its website as well as on other official publications.

The President took the opportunity to thank the AEHT's official partners, namely *Grand Marnier*, *la Casa della Divisa* and *Villeroy & Boch* for their financial support of the AEHT.

The projected budget for 2014 was unanimously approved and Hans RUSSEGGER thanked the Assembly for the trust they had placed in him.

11. Report from the auditors of their 2012 visit and approval of the auditors for 2013

On July 12th 2012 the AEHT's auditors, Danielle SNAUWAERT and Jürgen CLAUSEN, attended a meeting in Luxembourg at the invitation of General Secretary Nadine SCHINTGEN and the accountant Stéphanie MARION-CORTES, to check the accounts for the 2012 financial year.

The auditors reported that the accountant Stéphanie MARION-CORTES had been able to provide all requested clarifications, enabling the auditors to confirm that the account books were well kept.

The Assembly resolved unanimously to renew the mandate of the two auditors for 2013.

Being responsible for the efficiency of the book-keeping, Hans RUSSEGER expressed his satisfaction that the AEHT's accounts are well managed.

12. Report on membership applications, resignations and exclusions (Hans Russegger)

Hans RUSSEGER presented a list of the exclusions, resignations and membership applications for the period October 2012 to November 2013. The AEHT currently had around 350 member schools. The number of members had fallen significantly (with a loss of around 50 members in the course of the period in question). During the same period 17 new members had joined the AEHT, with the greatest number being recruited in Belgium.

40 member schools had been excluded for non-payment of the annual subscription. Among these excluded schools, six had submitted a new membership application.

30 members had cancelled their membership. Hans RUSSEGER called upon the National Representatives to contact the resigning schools in their country to persuade them to reconsider their decision to quit.

A) EXCLUSIONS		
B09	NAMUR	INSTITUT SUPERIEUR DE GESTION HOTELIERE
B10	LOUD-TURNHOUT	CORSENDONK HOTEL MANAGEMENT SCHOOL
B28	BRUGGE	HOTEL-EN TOERISMESCHOOL SPERMALIE
BG05	SOFIA	PROFESSIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FOR TOURISM
CR14	BUJE	GOSPODARSKA SKOLA BUJE
CV01	PRAIA	ECOLE D'HOTELLERIE ET DE TOURISME DU CAP VERT
E18	ESCOLA D'HOTELERIA DE LES ILLES BALEARS	PALMA DE MALLORCA
F78	SEMUR EN AUXOIS	LYCEE POLYVALENT REGIONAL « ANNA JUDIC »
F996-PROF	LOURDES	GRAND HOTEL DE LA GROTTTE
FIN17	MARIEHAMN	ALANDS POLYTECNIC
GE01*)	TBILISI	INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF HOTELMANAGEMENT
GR03	THESSALONIKI	IIEK HOTELIA HOTEL & RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT S .
H04	BUDAPEST	GOURMAND SZAKKEPZO ISKOLA
I106**)	ROMA	IIS "VINCENZO GIOBERTI"
I11	GENOVA	IPSSAR "MARCO POLO"

I110	TORINO	J.B. BECCANI
I121	COMO	ISTITUTO ALBERGHIERO "GIANNI BRERA"
I152	CANOSA DI PUGLIA (BARI)	IISS "LUIGI EINAUDI"
I156-PROF	TREVISO	ASSOCIAZIONE ACCADEMIA DELLE 5T
I159*)	PALERMO	IPSSAR PIETRO PIAZZA
I22	FAVARA	IPSSAR « GASPARE AMBROSINI »
I24	PALERMO	IPSSAR « P . BORSELLINO »
I43	VIBO VALENTIA	IPSSAR
I53	FORLIMPOPULI	IIS « P. ARTUSI »
I62	LA SPEZIA	IPSSAR « G. CASINI »
I82	VICO ENQUESE	IPSSAR « F. DIGENNARO »
I998-IND	SILVI MARINA	ANNA DIFEBO
MK05	TETOVO	PUBLIC SEC. SCHOOL « MOSA PIJADE » (will pay)
MK07	GEVGELIJA	JOSIF JOSIFOVSKI (will pay)
RO06	LUGOJ, JUDETUL TIMIS	GRUPUL SCOLAR "VALERIU BRANISTE"
RUS10	IRKUTSK	COLLEGE OF ECONOMICS AND TOURISM
S50	ARE	HOTELL-OCH RESTAURANTSKOLA
SK08	PRESOV	SOS OBCHODU A SLUZIEB
SLO07	KOPER	UNIVERZA NA PRIMORSKEM – UNIV. DEL LITORALE
SRB04 *)	NIS	UGOSTITELJSKO-TURISTICKA SKOLA
SRB05 *)	KRAGUJEVAC	TRADE AND CATERING SCHOOL « TOZA DRAGOVIC »
TR22*)	BOZUYUK/BILECIK	SELAHATTIN SEKER HOTEL MAN.&TOUR VOC H. S. (will pay)
TR40	AYVALIK BALIKESIR	OVTML (will pay)

*) has never paid

**) has not paid for the last three years, new membership application received on 22.6.13, but still no subscription received

B) RESIGNATIONS		
AL02	TIRANA	HOTURS (NO LONGER IN BUSINESS)
B23	MECHELEN	KTA WOLLEMARKT
CR25	BUJE	SREDNJA SKOLA « VLADIMIR GORTAN » /
CR26	POZEGA	EKONOMSKA SKOLA
D09	SEEBAD AHLBECK	INTERNATIONALE FACHSCHULE
DK04	SLAGELSE	SELANDIA
FIN13	HELSINGFORS	ARCADA POLYTECHNIC
H08	BUDAPEST	GUNDEL KAROLYSZ. I.

I47	PACHINO	IPSAR
I114	TERAMO	IIS « DI POPPAROZZI »
I134	MARTINA FRANCA	IPSS « A. MOTOLESE »
I142	SAN SEVERO (FG)	ITC « A.FRACCACRETA »
I143	PUTIGNANO	IISS « A.AGHERBINO »
I149	CASTELLANA GROTTA (BA)	IISS « PINTO-ANELLI »
I160-PROF	ANONA	ORIS INTERNATIONAL (IN LIQUIDATION)
I161	TOLMEZZO (UDINE)	ISIS « JACOPO LINUSSIO »
I97	PACHINO (SIRACUSA)	IPAA, IPSAR
IRL03	DUBLIN	FAILTE IRELAND
L995-PROF	NIEDERPALLEN	INOWATIO LUXEMBOURG
N02	OERSKOG	VIDAREGAENDE SKULE (NO LONGER IN BUSINESS)
NL26	HEERHUGOWAARD	HORIZON COLLEGE
PL09	MALKINIA GORNA	ZESPOL SZKOL
PL21	ROKIETNICA	ZESPOL SZKOL
S03	HANINGE	CENTRUM VUX
S12	HELSINGBORG	RÖNNOWSKA SKOLAN
S18	SUNNE	BROBYSKOLAN
S40	SOLLENTUNA	RUDBECKSSKOLAN
TR08	OSMANGAZI	OTELCILIK VE TURIZM MESLEK LISESI
TR03	BOLU	BOLU IZZET BAYSAL ANADOLU O.V.T.M.L.
USA01-PROF	PHILADELPHIA	TAYLOR & FRANCIS
USA02-PROF	MAINE	CIEE - COUNCIL ON INTERN. EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE

C) NEW MEMBERS

B29	AALST	TECHNIGO
E20	BARCELONA	ESCOLA UNIVERSITARIA DE TURISME EUROAULA
I120	UDINE	ISIS « BONALDO STRINGHER » RENEWAL OF LAPSED MEMBERSHIP!
I166	PISA	IPSSAR « G. MATTEOTTI »
I167-PROF	PULA (SARDEGNA)	MITA RESORT
I168	BRINDISI	IPSSAR « S. PERTINI »
I98	MARGHERITA SAVOIA	DI IPSSAOA RENEWAL OF LAPSED MEMBERSHIP!

LT03	KAUNAS	KAUNO MAISTO PRAMONES IR PREKYBOS ...
LT04	ALYTUS	ALYTUS VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE
NL07	APELDOORN	AVENTUS RENEWAL OF LAPSED MEMBERSHIP!
NL31	SNEEK	ROC FRIESE POORT AFDELING HORECA
SLO10	MARIBOR	SREDNJA SOLA ZA GOSTINSTVO IN TURIZEM MARIBOR
SRB06	NOVI BEOGRAD	STREDNJA TURISTICKA SKOLA
TR42	PENDIK ISTANBUL	ÖZEL BUGRA ANADOLU O.V.T.M.L.
TR43	BALCOVA-IZMIR	IZMIR UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS-SCHOOL
TR44	BILKENT, ANKARA	BILKENT UNIVERSITY TOURISM CLUB
TR46	FAMAGUSTA/NORTH CYPRUS	FACULTY OF TOURISM-EASTERN MEDIT. UNIVERSITY

13. Grant of discharge to the outgoing Presidium

The Assembly unanimously voted a grant of discharge to the outgoing Presidium. Klaus ENENGL thanked the Assembly for the trust they had placed in his team over the last four years.

Given that Hans RUSSEGER had decided to resign from the Presidium at the end of the present mandate, Klaus ENENGL took the opportunity to thank the outgoing Treasurer for his highly efficient management of the AEHT's accounts for more than two decades (21 years).

14. Results and Ratification of the Elections of National Representatives and of Members of the Presidium

Klaus ENENGL informed the meeting that the previous day the Executive Board had proceeded to the election of a new Presidium in accordance with the procedures laid down in the statutes and in the house rules. The head office had received only one candidature for the post of President, that of Ana Paula PAIS, who was elected unopposed.

Since the outgoing President Klaus ENENGL was automatically allocated a post as Vice-President, there remained four posts to be filled, for which five candidates had presented themselves: Herman SIEBENS, Neeme RAND, Remco KOERTS, Bogusława PIENKOWSKA and Roberta MONTI.

The Assembly approved the election results by acclamation.

Composition of the AEHT Presidium for the period 2014 - 2017:

Forename	SURNAME	Function	Responsibilities / Tasks
Ana Paula	PAIS	President	Official representation and coordination of the AEHT's affairs
Klaus	ENENGL	Treasurer	AEHT's finances and accounts
Herman	SIEBENS	Vice-President	Professional placements, activities relating to quality management and business ethics
Neeme	RAND	Vice-President	IT Solutions & AEHT website
Remco	KOERTS	Vice-President	Coordination of competitions at the Annual Conference

Bogusława	PIENKOWSKA	Vice-President	Occasional events, EU educational programmes and coordination with the OIF
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Once the new President had assumed her post, Ana Paula PAIS thanked the meeting for the trust they had placed in her and appealed to all the AEHT's officers for their support. Ana Paula PAIS then asked the Assembly to applaud Klaus ENENGL for his excellent work and asked her Vice-Presidents to help her in her new job. Even if times were hard, Ana Paula PAIS remained convinced that, if we all pulled together, it was possible to overcome difficulties and find appropriate solutions to guarantee a bright future for the AEHT. Whatever happened, Ana Paula PAIS would do all in her power to help promote the AEHT's activities and events throughout her mandate.

15. Calendar of events

Outgoing President Klaus ENENGL presented the calendar of forthcoming Annual Conferences, which would in principle take place as follows: 2014 Serbia, 2015 Ukraine, 2016 Turkey, 2017 Belgium, 2018 Italy, 2019 Croatia, 2020 Lithuania, 2021 Austria.

Ana Paula PAIS then invited event organisers present at the meeting to come to the platform to present their events planned for 2014.

- **Second 'Aveiro Fish and Culinary Arts Festival' (PT)**

Manuel TORRÃO, director of the EFTA (Aveiro Vocational Tourism School) presented the second 'Aveiro Fish and Culinary Arts Festival' which is aimed at students of hotel and tourism schools. The festival aimed to promote the fish products of this region and would take place from April 9th-12th in Aveiro.

The presentation was followed by the showing of a video presenting the region in question. The director concluded his presentation by inviting all the AEHT's member schools to take part in this most rewarding festival. Eight teams took part in the first festival (four teams from Italy, one from Slovakia and three from Portugal). For this second festival there would be a limit of ten teams entitled to register.

- **Seminar on 'KOŁOBRZEG' (PL)**

Zbigniew STANKIEWICZ informed the audience that the seminar entitled 'Kołobrzeg – land of the flavours of the sea' would take place from March 13th-16th 2014 at the E. GIERCZAK School of Economics and Hospitality.

The school is located in Kołobrzeg in the north of Poland, and recruits 900 students per year for courses in hospitality, tourism, advertising and new information and communication technologies.

The Assembly was shown a presentation video made by students of the school.

- **16th Bartolomeo Scappi International Competition (IT)**

The 16th Bartolomeo Scappi international competition would take place from April 7th-9th in Castel San Pietro Terme near Bologna. This culinary arts and pastry contest was intended for all hotel school students and the winner of the contest would be entitled to a free one month training course at Bologna University. The fees for this course usually cost €5,000 but would be paid for by the competition organisers.

- **10th Atlantic Festival of the Azores, 'Ten Days, Ten Chefs' (PT)**

The 'Ten Days, Ten Chefs' festival would take place from June 19th-29th 2014 in Ponta Delgada on São Miguel Island (PT). This event is intended both for students and for teachers of AEHT member schools. Last year the participants came from AEHT member schools in six countries. For the 2014 event the organisers hoped to attract more participants from various countries, while keeping the convivial atmosphere of this festival.

The presentation ended with a PowerPoint show illustrating the subjects dealt with by the speakers.

- **‘WSET® Seminar (Wine and Spirit Education Trust), level 2 certificate in wines and spirits, Maribor (SI)**

The WSET seminar which would be taking place in September/October 2014 in Maribor (Slovenia) would concentrate on the different varieties of vines which exist throughout the world. The theoretical component would be reinforced by practical sessions consisting of tastings, food and wine pairings as well as excursions into the wine-growing regions of Slovenia and Austria. The Maribor region was famous for its exceptional wines and it is in this town that there is the world’s oldest vine, planted 400 years ago. The seminar participants would receive the WSET level 2 certificate in wines and spirits.

- **Seminar entitled ‘Douro Wines - Experience and Emotion’, Lamego (PT)**

This seminar would be run in the midst of several wine-growing regions and was aimed at school directors and at wine studies students. The seminar programme would include many wine tastings, some of the wines being unlike any others in the world. The precise dates of the seminar were yet to be fixed, but it would take place during May 2014. The presentation from the Portuguese delegation was concluded with a video showing the difference facets of the Douro region.

- **Seminar entitled ‘Hospitality and Tourism Administration in Alpine Destinations’, Zell am Ziller (AT)**

This seminar was to take place at the Zillertal tourism school in Zell am Ziller from April 3rd-6th 2014 and was intended for school directors and teachers (level EQF 5 and above); it would deal with the various aspects of winter tourism in the Alps, the marketing of a region or of a winter sports destination and the importance of glacier skiing for ski resorts. The seminar would use two case studies, one based on the Tyrol region, the other relating to the Mayrhofen ski resort.

Those travelling to the Zillertal by air may use the airports in Innsbruck, Salzburg or Munich. The nearest railway station with international connections is located in Jenbach.

- **22nd Eurocup Young Bartender 2014 Competition and 23rd Christmas in Europe in Prešov (SK)**

The 23rd Christmas in Europe would take place during the week beginning December 8th 2014 in Prešov in the north of Slovakia. The city of Prešov is conveniently located at a crossroads where western and eastern cultures meet. The city is the seat of three bishoprics – Greek Catholic, Orthodox and Lutheran, and as such is the ideal place to celebrate Christmas. The city has a unique character, combining a rich history and popular traditions with buildings from the modern age. Prešov is easily accessible by road, rail and air.

The Christmas in Europe event would be spread over 2-3 days and would be combined with visits to breweries and wine-growing regions.

In October 2014 Prešov would also host the 22nd Eurocup 2014 Young Bartender Competition. The dates for this event, also held under the aegis of the AEHT, were yet to be fixed.

- **2014 Atlantic Chocolate Festival in the Azores (PT)**

The 2014 Atlantic Chocolate Festival would take place from December 6th-8th 2014 in Praia da Vitória, on Terceira Island in the Azores (Portugal). The main activities of the competition were the creation and presentation of chocolate and sugar paste sculptures. 12 teams from six different countries took part in the previous contest. For 2014 the organisers would try to attract participants from at least 12 member countries. There were no registration fees. The AEHT secretariat would be informed of the precise dates of the event in early 2014.

16. Annual Conference, November 16th-21st 2014 in Belgrade (SBR)

Goran KOVAČEVIČ, organiser of the 27th AEHT Annual Conference, presented the proposed conference by means of a promotional video on the city of Belgrade accompanied by detailed explanations. The event would be held in a business district in the city centre and would be distributed among various locations which were close to each other. The participants would be accommodated in a prestigious hotel located close to the 'Impulse Hall' conference centre where the AEHT General Assembly would be held. The Annual Conference programme would also include variety shows and cultural excursions. Belgrade is easily accessible by road, rail and air. Belgrade is a regular destination of 25 airlines.

Mr KOVAČEVIČ concluded his presentation by inviting all AEHT members to come in force to Belgrade to take part in the 27th Annual Conference and to share this unforgettable experience.

17. Date of the next Ordinary General Assembly at the AEHT Annual Conference (November 2014)

The next Ordinary General Assembly would take place during the 27th AEHT Annual Conference to be held in Belgrade (SBR) between November 16th and 21st 2014.

Diekirch, February 5th, 2014

		
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