

The Simultaneous Creation of the European Microwave Week and Association

European Microwave Conference Madrid September 2018

André Vander Vorst European Microwave Association



In other words

the birth of EuMW

and

the Statutes of EuMA

1997 - 1998



An observation was made in Bologna 1995:

the European Microwave Conference (EuMC) attendance was decreasing from year to year, slowly but steadily

Roberto Sorrentino, member of Management Committee (MC), raised the point and asked André Vander Vorst to participate to meetings

Question: should we stop EuMC or renovate it?

Reply by MC: preferably renovate it

Question: how to renovate it?

Tool: MC established a Working Group that met in London 1996

F. Landstorfer 1991, A. Madjar 1997, A. Räisänen 1992,

A. Vander Vorst 1984, A. Wilson



Proposals from WG and decisions by MC

- Decisions taken by MC at EuMC Prague 1996
- Implementation started at EuMC Jerusalem 1997
- Transformation completed at EuMW Amsterdam 1998

First European Microwave Week in Amsterdam 1998



Decision 1 from MC about EuMC Stabilize EuMC management 1996

- Create a Steering Committee (StC) with a 3-year member term
- Tasks: working on long planning, finance, futures venues, exhibitions, industry participation, publications, liaison with organizer, urgent decisions
- On behalf of MC
- Chair of StC also Chair of MC: R. Sorrentino from 1996 on
- Six members: 5 elected by MC at EuMC TPC meeting Prague 1996:
 - L. Ligthart, A. Madjar, H. Meinel, F. Meyers, R. Sorrentino
 - 1 appointed by IEEE MTT-Society : R. Jansen
- 1997 : 2 dismissals, replace F. Meyers by S. Nightingale, R. Jansen by A. Vander Vorst



Decision 2 from MC about EuMC / EuMW Have EuMC as centerpiece of a EuMWeek

- Limited to France, Germany, Italy, The Netherlands, United Kingdom 2018 in Spain



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- Several microwave-related top Conferences
- Major European Exhibition
- Programme : components, devices, systems, and networks
- Scientific, technology and application-oriented sense
- Link between Microwaves and Wireless
- European R&D, tutorial and workshops, awards, grants NIS and students

In 2017: 1.728 Delegates, 1884 Conf Reg, 3.348 Conf+WS/Sc Reg

EuMW should also be profitable



Decision 3 from MC about EuMC / EuMW Reinvigorate relationship with Exhibition

- Contract from 1998 through 2002 with Miller Freeman then CMP massive expansion of Exhibition, critical to success of 1st EuMW
- Since 2003: Horizon House Ltd, UK
 Exhibition has been stabilized, and steadily growing

In 2017 : 3.256 square meters



And what about EuMA? Preliminaries 1

- Still Bologna 1995 : R. Sorrentino raised in private the idea of founding a microwave association in Europe
- Discussion in restaurant of hotel IMS-TPC 1997 Denver, US

R. Sorrentino and P. Russer contacted A. Vander Vorst

Idea: founding non-profit Association in Belgium?

André checked : ok

Minutes of StC meeting, Munich January 25th 1997:

The Chairman (*NB* : *R*. Sorrentino) reported that he had discussed the creation of a legal entity for EuMC with Prof. Vander Vorst. He intended to discuss this further and report back to the Committee at its next meeting.



Preliminaries 2

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- André proposed to Roberto to write draft Statutes
 Roberto did not refuse...
- Efficient assistance of a lady lawyer at UCL R&D management cell:
 in the Statutes: put the minimum you want to see in there
 keep the rest as internal rules: management much more flexible!
- Example 1: Q: how many members of BoD? A: six

Q: will this number decrease? A: no

Q : will it increase?

A : most certainly yes

Final then enter "at least six"



Preliminaries 3

• Example 2 : Q : is the GA international ? A : yes

Q: is the composition sensitive? A: yes

Final **put in Statutes procedure for election**

and keep composition as an internal rule

- For these two examples : Statutes are as suggested
- Compare our Statutes with by-laws of others (eg MTT-S):
 ours concentrate on the essential

Draft Statutes EuMA 1 August 1997

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Management Committee

EuMC/MC(97)5

EUMC Management Committee

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Association européenne de Micro-ondes **European Microwave Association** in short: "EuMA", international association

1348 Louvain-la-Neuve

STATUTES

SECTION I - NAME - HEADQUARTERS

Article 1

The association named Association européenne de Micro-ondes - European Microwave Association, in short: EuMA, is an international association with a scientific, educational and technical purpose, within the framework of the law of October 25, 1919, amended by the law of December 6, 1954.

Article 2

The registered office of the association is situated at Place du Levant 3, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium.



Creation of EuMA

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• At EuMC Jerusalem 1997

The six members of the StC as Founding Members

L. Ligthart

A. Madjar

H. Meinel

S. Nightigale

R. Sorrentino

A. Vander Vorst

Lowneling Meeting held on Sunday, 7 September 1997 at the Hobiday inn Chance Plana, Jernsalem, Israel	
1. Micro	It was agreed to form a European
i.	The draft statutes were approved.
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Approval by King of Belgium 19 May 1998

ROYAUME DE BELGIQUE

MINISTERE DE LA JUSTICE



DIRECTION GENERALE DE LA LEGISLATION CIVILE ET DES CULTES

7/CDLF/14.172/S 3e Section ALBERT II, Roi des Belges, A tous, présents et à venir, Salut.

Vu la loi du 25 octobre 1919 accordant la personnalité civile aux associations internationales poursuivant un but philanthropique, religieux, scientifique, artistique ou pédagogique, notamment l'article 1er, modifié par la loi du 6 décembre 1954:

Vu la requête du 30 janvier 1998 par laquelle Monsieur A. Vander Vorst, agissant en qualité d'administrateur de l'association internationale "Association européenne de Micro-ondes - European Microwave Association" (EuMA), demande, pour cette association internationale, la personnalité civile;

Vu les statuts de ladite association;

Statutes published in Belgian State Gazette 29 October 1998

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Association européenne de Micro-ondes, « European Microwave Association », en abrégé : « EuMA », association internationale

1348 Louvain-la-Neuve

Numéro d'identification : 19208/98

STATUTS

TITRE Ier. - Dénomination, siège social

Article 1^{er}. L'association dénommée : « Association européenne de Micro-ondes - European Microwave Association », en abrégé : « EuMA », est une association internationale à but scientifique et pédagogique et technique, régie par la loi du 25 octobre 1919, modifiée par la loi du 6 décembre 1954.

Art. 2. Son siège social est établi place du Levant 3, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve.

Art. 3. Les langues de travail sont le français et l'anglais. D'autres langues pourront être utilisées dans les conditions que déterminera le règlement intérieur.

TITRE II. — Objet, durée

Art. 4. Dénuée de tout esprit de lucre, l'association a pour objet de développer de manière interdisciplinaire des activités pédagogiques, de formation et de recherche, avec entre autres objectifs:

promouvoir les micro-ondes en Europe;

réunir les scientifiques et les ingénieurs travaillant dans le domaine des micro-ondes au sein d'un réseau européen;

prévoir une voix individuelle aux scientifiques et ingénieurs travaillant dans le domaine des micro-ondes en Europe;

promouvoir la conscientisation et la reconnaissance des microondes au sein du public;

réaliser la reconnaissance complète des micro-ondes par l'Union Européenne;

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Merging MC/StC structure into EuMA structure

EuMW Milan 2002

EuMA Minutes General Assembly 22 September

- 5.1 Professor Vander Vorst introduced the proposals for the merging of the EuMC MC/StC structure into the EuMA structure.
- 5.2 Following discussion, the Meeting approved the proposal to merge the EuMC MC/StC structure into the EuMA structure.
- 5.3 The Meeting approved the dissolution of the EuMC Management Committee and appointed Professor A Vander Vorst as liquidator.
- 5.4 It was agreed to create Internal Rules of EuMA to accommodate the constitution, procedures, policies and decisions of EuMC, and the guidelines and procedures for the EuMC prizes and awards.
- 5.5 It was agreed that the Internal Rules should reflect that (4.1) "the period of service in each case should be 1 January 31 December, if necessary backdated" and that (5.2) "six members at least".



Conclusion

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EuMW and EuMA have been consistent with principles :

- European focus
- Peer review
- Investing surpluses in EuMW
- Creating the best possible events for the European microwave community
- Being profitable while having drastically reduced registration fees in 2003

Many papers and presentations have been published about EuMC-EuMA-EuMC