



**European Society for Protective Clothing (ESPC)**  
**Draft minutes**  
**6th general meeting 14 May 2014, 18.30 PM in Bruges**

1. Opening the meeting and notice of the participants  
Henk Vanhoutte opened the meeting and asked participants to sign in on sheet:  
List is attached.
2. Election of the chairman and secretary for the meeting  
As the chair of ESPC (George Havenith) could not be present at this conference,  
Henk Vanhoutte was elected as chair for the meeting, Eric van Wely volunteered  
as secretary.
3. Items suggested by the participants not listed in the agenda  
No additional items other than specifying collaboration and cooperation with  
other regions under point 6.
4. Future activities of ESPC
  - 4.1 Publication of the papers of the ECPC 2014  
Proposed to use the website to promote the presentations, posters and the  
papers that have been presented. Publication in specialised magazine would still  
be beneficial.  
Action: Requested that presenters provide full articles if these are available.  
Action: Helena Mäkinen proposed and agreed to contact the Textile Research  
Journal for possible publications of information from the ECPC.
  - 4.2 Similar discussion took place with respect to papers, presentations and  
posters from previous meetings and whether these could also be published  
through the same route.
5. Nomination of the chairman and board for the ESPC  
The board has representation per country, mostly by research institutes, some  
also by business.  
The following countries have at least one representation: Finland, Sweden,  
Norway, Poland, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, Switzerland, UK,  
Turkey. This covers all the major countries other than France and Italy. Need to  
try to find representatives from either research institutes, industry or users  
from these two countries.  
This meeting made special attention to connect to business in addition to



research institutes.

In addition, liaisons exist with both Asia Pacific and USA. Other countries are also welcome.

Propose to maintain George Havenith as the president for another period, although we need to check if he is willing considering he could not make this meeting. A proposal was also made to nominate a vice president, a suggestion at the board meeting was to propose as vice president the organiser of the current/previous meeting, in this case Jean Léonard. Proposal was accepted.

#### 6. Next conference arrangements, responsibility, date, place

ESPC organises ECPC conferences every 2 years on even year. The proposal discussed was to have regional meetings every 2 years and have in conjunction with one of the regional meetings an international meeting and rotate these international meeting over the different regions.

The agreed was:

- ECPC meeting in 2016 would be in Turkey (second week in May), and the international meeting would be in the USA (late summer or early fall).

AsiaPacific in 2016 will be in Australia.

- ECPC meeting in 2018 and 2020 were not yet defined although discussion on possible location in northern Europe (UK, Germany or and Scandinavia ?). The international meetings would be in 2018 in Asia (South Korea) and 2020 in Europe.

Issues of concern that were raised are that 2 conference per year (regional and an international meeting) would probably reduce participation in international meeting in another region because of cost of travel to other regions, insufficient new technical information, etc.

Proposals that were suggested and agreed to counter these concerns were that:

- the possibility to have remote participation, although one would miss the informal discussions, had would need to adapt the participation fee.

- the regional and in the international meeting would need to be scheduled with sufficient scattering to ensure attendance (3-6 months).

A proposal was made to have a single website for all the regional and international meetings, although the issue of who would create and host was not resolved.

#### 7. Any other subjects

- Request to have list of Board members (see attached) and their email address for coordination of the organisation of the Asia Pacific conference by Dr. Kee Jong Yoon. Action: Eric van Wely

#### 8. Closing the meeting



The chair thanked the participants and closed the meeting at 19:30.



## Participants:

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BG Bau (DE)  
Centexbel (BE)  
CIOP-PIB (PL)  
CIOP-PIB (PL)  
Dankook University (KR)  
Dokuz Eylül University (TR)  
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Dokuz Eylül University (TR)  
DuPont (CH)  
DuPont (CH)  
DuPont (CH)  
Empa (CH)  
Empa (CH)  
ESF (BE)  
FIOH (FI)  
FIOH (FI)  
Hohenstein Institut für Textilinnovation (DE)  
IfADo (DE)  
Lund University (SE)  
Lund University (SE)  
National Research Institute of Fire and Disaster (JP)  
North Carolina State University (US)  
SINTEF (NO)  
Soochow University (CN)  
Teijin Aramid (DE)  
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Textile Research Institute (PL)  
Yonsei University (KR)

### Participant

Miriam Martinez Albert  
Peter Heffels  
Jean Léonard  
Anna Dąbrowska  
Grażyna Bartkowiak  
Kee Jong Yoon  
Bengi Kutlu  
Gizem Ceylan Türkoğlu  
Merih Sarıışık  
Eric van Wely  
Helmut Eichinger  
Jean-Claude Duart  
Martin Camenzind  
Simon Annaheim  
Henk Vanhoutte  
Helena Mäkinen  
Kirsi Jussila  
Edith Classen  
Peter Bröde  
Chuansi Gao  
Kalev Kuklane  
Kaoru Wakatsuki  
  
Roger Barker  
Hilde Færevik  
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Christian Pannier  
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