

EGEA General Assembly, 11th of October 2017, Brussels -Minutes-

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1. Welcome by the President

JB welcomed the participants for this General Assembly meeting and thanked the Working Group Chairmen for having attended the joint meeting the previous day with the aim to work more efficiently within the WGs and to be closer to the members.

2. Approval of the minutes of the last General Assembly held on 3rd of May 2017 in Lippstadt

With no supplementary remarks being formulated, the minutes were approved.

3. Finances

3.1. Financial situation dated end of September 2017 and outlook for the rest of the year

- LA presented the financial situation dated end of September 2017 and the associated forecast by the end of the year (see attached financial documents).
- Receipts:
 - Membership fees: LA reminded all members to respect the deadlines for the payment of the membership fee. He then explained that AFIBA paid their membership fee on the 5th of October and STM confirmed that they will pay by the end of this year.
 - Automechanika: the draft contract is currently reviewed by Automechanika lawyers and should be signed by EGEA by the end of this year.

Expenses:

- The two budget lines (cf. receipts and expenses) regarding the supplementary voluntary contributions for the R2RC campaign have been deleted for clarification as these lines were empty.
- Due to good exchange rate with the UK, it was decided to take out the dedicated budget to cover the exchange of rate between Euros and GBP.
- Due to the recent development with the registration of the quality trademark, some more legal expertise was required, budget for this was therefore increased.
- LA explained that the figures show a negative balance due to the missing income initially foreseen with the launching of the label activities.

3.2. Approval of the Budget and Membership fees for 2018

- LA presented the draft budget 2018 which includes some changes from budget 2017:
 - The FVU membership fee was not included since confirmation was not received whether FVU will remain within EGEA for 2018.
 - The costs of the secretariat manpower have decreased following the announcement of EVH who will work as of the 1st of October 2017 on a part-time basis. She will work 4 days out of 5, and will be off on the Fridays.
 - The contract with Neil Patternore, our technical director, was renewed for one year as his salary depends on the labeling activities outcome.
- Action: LA explained that this revised budget 2018 which includes now all these changes will be sent to the members after the General Assembly meeting.
- Decision: after review, the General Assembly unanimously agreed with the budget and membership fees for 2018.

4. United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) activities: updates on activities and developing impacts on EGEA – Presentation by Walter Nissler, UNECE Sustainable Transport Division

- Walter Nissler from UNECE gave an extensive presentation on UNECE activities and its benefits to EGEA members (see attached presentation).
- WN explained that in the framework of the 1997 agreement (related to PTI), UNECE is working
 on 4 new rules: environmental issue, safety inspection, LPG/LNG vehicles and PTI provisions for
 testing Electric vehicles (EVs). Action: Secretariat to circulate to members new UN Rule on PTI
 requirements for electric vehicles.
- WN reported that UN activities on PTI are now aligned with EU legislation, and go even further regarding safety checks for EVs and for hybrid vehicles. WN added that there is room for future development regarding PTI testing and a new rule number 5 on ECSS is needed. He therefore invited EGEA to work together with the UN and all stakeholders on that issue within the informal WG on PTI. This is an environment where experts are meeting on the technical issues and in substance, this is not a political arena where politics is mixed with technical issues.
- Next steps at UN level: Rules 3 and 4 will be voted in November 2017 and drafting work for the new Rule 5 on ECSS will start as soon as possible.

• Questions:

- Question on access to data for connected vehicle and how this fits with some other regulations which are not automotive but related to competition? WN explained that UNECE is dealing with the protection of the vehicle system from outside manipulation and in this context have issued guidelines on cybersecurity. He then added that the data coming from the vehicle is not seeing as still a property of vehicle manufacturers. ISO is currently developing a standard on cybersecurity. Action: WG2 to check and assess this standard.
- Question on ePTI and its relation with UN Regulations: WN replied that until the ISO standard is not referenced by UN rule, this standard has no legal value. WN invited EGEA to discuss that issue at UN level in the dedicated informal WG on PTI.
- Question on the status of the vehicle information platform that was initially proposed by DG MOVE: WN explained that there is already a database for type-approval (DETA) exchanging information from different contracting parties (e.g. national authorities, testing centres, ...). WN added that if EGEA succeeds in defining new test methods and information needed for PTI (e.g. brake reference values) at UN level, then this information can be linked to the DETA database but until now this database is only dedicated to type-approval information.
- Request from members to WN to get support from UN on the current OBD connector discussion at EU level: WN replied that the UN has a poor neutral position towards media and lobbying activities regarding OBD connector, this is currently debated at EU level and not UN level.

• Discussions and decisions:

- WN recommended to EGEA to participate to UN WP29 activities together with CITA and other key stakeholders to put PTI in the centre of discussions and move forward with the drafting of Rule 5 on ECSS testing and define new PTI test methods. But this needs of course investment technically and financially (to cover all travelling expenses) as meetings are very frequent and experts should be very active at WP29, informal WG and GPR levels.
- Decision to contact Eduard Fernandez from CITA to get an overview of time and financial implications of such work at UN level.
- After internal discussion, it was decided that EGEA will continue monitoring the work at UN level, and circulate the agendas for the meetings to members but as this requires financial resources, EGEA is not able for now to be actively represented in Geneva.

5. Statutory

- **5.1.** EGEA Membership how to enlarge it?
- **5.2.** EGEA going international?
- **5.3.** New look for EGEA website
 - EVH presented the new EGEA website which was not updated since 6 years and which is now designed to highlight the latest news and policy work done by the office.
 - EVH explained that the member area is currently being finalised and this will contain all documents related to general assembly meetings, WG meetings and legislations. The member area will be accessible via a login and password which will be sent to each WG members and members. All information will be sent to the members once this is finalised.
 - Action: EVH to circulate information to all members on the new member area and how activation should be done for each members.

6. Revision of Vehicle Type Approval Regulation and OBD information – brief update

- Due to lack of time, this item was not discussed.
- 7. Telematics In-vehicle Data: TRL Study on Access to in-vehicle data and its resources

- **7.1.** Analysis of the recently published Commission's TRL Report
- 7.2. EGEA position on TRL Report Action, next steps in the political process Discussion
 - Due to lack of time, this item was not discussed.

8. EGEA members activities: reports from all national associations (10min. slot/association)

8.1. GEA report

- DG gave an extensive report of GEA latest activities (see attached presentation).
- After DG presentation, the members discussed the UK statistics that were shown in the GEA activity report. EGEA members expressed the need to have such figures although everybody knows that it is very difficult to get figures at national association and EU levels.
- Following the PROSAFE outcome of uncompliant vehicle lifts being on the market, DG
 explained that the GEA is currently working on a document to give clear indications to its
 members what should be checked on a vehicle lift to be sure about its compliance with CE
 mark. Once this document is finalised, this will be sent to all members and WG1 for
 adaptation at EU level.
- DG came to the conclusion that much more information from EGEA and WGs activities are needed to interest members at national level.

8.2. RAI report

- MN gave an extensive presentation on RAI activities (see attached presentation) at national level during which he explained that RAI is meeting annually with most of the stakeholders, the authorities and the ministry to discuss PTI issues and priorities. This initiative was welcomed by the members and it was suggested to organise such kind of meetings in all EU member states.
- Discussion on latest emissions development, a WG has been established by the Dutch ministry together with ministries representatives from Germany to work together on particles emission testing. A report on the latest discussions from that WG should be done at the next General Assembly meeting.
- MN informed the members about their new tradeshow on mobility as a general concept that will take place from 19th to 21st of October 2017 in Amsterdam.
- MN also underlined that better communication about EGEA WG activities should be done.

8.3. FVU report

- GF went through FVU website and gave a very complete presentation about FVU activities at national members.
- GF informed the members about next tradeshow that will take place in Sweden, GF to send all dates for inclusion into webcalendar on EGEA website.
- As regards EGEA, GF asked that harmonisation of requirements for vehicle lifts inspection in PTI is done and should be dealt with by WG1. The secretariat took note of it and explained that WG1 is already working on that issue which is quite complex as legislation on that issue EU-wide is quite disparate from one country to another one.

8.4. ASA report

- FB reported about the latest ASA activities (see attached presentation) and explained that ASA decided to cover all expenses to their experts for ASA/EGEA related activities to encourage their participation to these activities.
- FB was very pleased to announce that the German Ministry approved more stringent regulation regarding exhaust emission (mandatory tailpipe testing and new limit values). As regards PN, additional/different equipment is clearly needed.
- FB pointed out as well that new activities on gas extraction system should be developed as new challenges are coming with Euro VI vehicles. This should be further discussed by WG7.
- FB explained also that ASA is working actively on the calibration issue and exchange with other EU members should be done to preserve our industry and knowledge.

8.5. ABL report

- AH reported about latest ABL activities (see attached presentation). He then explained that
 ABL is dealing with the critical issue of fake certificates for vehicle lifts, this is also linked to
 the PROSAFE activities at EU level.
- AH also reported about calibration issue in Norway and the rebuilding of workshop equipment without proper updated documentation (e.g. roller brake testers,...). that ISO21069 rebuilding of roller brake tester:
- AH will provide the secretariat with more complete information on rebuilding workshop equipment for circulation to all members afterwards.
- The next important trade fair is AutoMessen, 7-10 February 2018, Lillestrom.

8.6. TRAXIO report

- MVO presented TRAXIO to all members and gave a report on TRAXIO lobbying activities, and particularly regarding current activities on the revision of type-approval legislation to maintain the OBD connector open.
- As regards activities on emission, MVO explained that GOCA is preparing a study for the Belgian Government on opacity and DPF removal issues.
- MVO also presented the new TRAXIO activities for certified labels.
- MVO informed the members that a TRAXIO congress will be organised on the 27th of March 2017 where Neil will be given a presentation on behalf of EGEA/FIGIEFA on the occasion of Autotechnica (25.03.18 to 28.03.18 in Brussels). Invitation will be sent to all EGEA members.

8.7. AICA report

• MB gave a presentation on AICA activities (see attached presentation).

8.8. AFIBA report

- JB gave a presentation on AFIBA activities (see attached presentation).
- EVH asked JB to recommend to the AFIBA participants at ISO TC22 WGs to liaise with the secretariat as there is no coordination from garage equipment side during these meetings (preparation/follow-up and votes).

8.9. GIEG report

- TC reported on latest GIEG activities which have been more focused on the implementation of PTI Directive at French level and on emission activities.
- They have been finalising the implementation of OTC LAN protocol last year which was very beneficial for the industry as updates/replacement of machines were needed.
- As regards emissions, the main change is the use of the plate number. Additionally, France is still working on NOx measurements, the big issue is that PTI centres are not capable to buy heavy equipment such as dynometers.
- Next trade fair is Equip'Auto, 17-21 October, Paris.

8.10. SAA report

• HPF reported about a considerable change within Geneva's exhibition as the idea is to shorten its duration.

9. Working Group activities: reports from all Working Groups Chairmen (10min. slot/working group chairman)

9.1. WG1 activities report

- FM gave an extensive report on WG1 activities regarding the current revision of EN1493 and PROSAFE activities on market surveillance for vehicle lifts (see attached presentation). FM pointed out that EN1493 does not consider 2 wheels vehicles.
- LA requested some clarification on possible interpretation regarding difference centimetres between mechanical locking devices for two post lift. FM replied that no interpretation was

possible, even for old lifts which still need to comply with EN1493. EVH added that the Machinery Directive WG can reply to such questions and give legal guidance if needed.

9.2. WG2 activities report

- EC reported about WG2 activities and its functioning (see attached presentation). As regards the access to in-vehicle data issue, EC asked members to be more active and send as soon as possible their comments on the TRL study report. EVH added that the secretariat is working on a draft press release and AFCAR as well.
- Discussion on ePTI as this is a key issue for EGEA members. HN pointed out that in ePTI, a good exchange is needed with WG2 to work together on that issue to ensure that the communication with the car is not blocked for preparing the car for PTI and repair it.

9.3. WG6 activities report

• JBR reported about WG6 and SubWG6 activities which have been very very active lately (see attached presentation). Next SubWG6 meeting is on the 9th of November and next WG6 meeting on the 10th of November during which specification for suspension tester will be extensively discussed.

9.4. WG9 activities report

- AC reported about the issue that EGEA is currently facing with the FCA Group when trying
 to register its quality label trademark (see attached presentation). AC confirmed that once
 the FCA Group will positively reply, the quality label will be ready for the 2018 season and
 the labelling process will be put in place. The Board of Directors reiterated its decision that
 WG9 should not wait for the FCA Group reply and should start its labelling activities as soon
 as possible.
- Discussion triggered by FB on the fact that internal communication activities and labelling activities should start as soon as possible and when this is ready, and only, external communication to workshops can start. This was unanimously agreed.
- AC presented the WG9 brochure on labelling activities that was prepared for Autopromotec. Upon FB's suggestion, it was decided to translate this brochure with the help of all EGEA members and circulate it.
- AC explained that all the information regarding labelling activities and process on how to apply will be circulated to all members as soon as it is ready.

9.5. WG10 activities report

 Due to lack of time, MLB could not report about WG10 activities, but this was already discussed during the joint WG Chairmen and Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday 10th of October. The latest open points on the asanetwork proposal were discussed and updated proposal will be circulated by MLB to Asanet for comment.

Test equipment calibration according to ISO 17025 and potential conflict with roadworthiness testing updates from members

• Due to lack of time, this item was not discussed.

11. Any other business

TC, who replaced JB who had to leave earlier, thanked all participants for this fruitful meeting. The meeting ended at 17h00.

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Yours sincerely,

Eléonore van Haute

Attachments:

- Financial Situation dated 30th of September 2017
- Revised budget 2018 which was approved during the General Assembly meeting
- Walter Nissler's presentation on UNECE activities
- GEA activities report
- GEA statistics 2016
- GEA CE mark document
- RAI activities report
- ASA activities report
- ABL activities report
- AICA activities report
- AFIBA activities report
- WG1 activities report
- WG2 activities report
- WG6 activities report
- WG9 activities report
- WG9 Labelling activities brochure
- WG10 activities report