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# Minutes of Meeting

**DATE OF THE MEETING : Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

**PLACE : Berlin (Germany) –during IGORR/RRFM 2016**

**OBJECT :**

**IGORR Steering Committee Meeting**

**List of participants :**

- In-Cheol Lim and Hoan-Sung Jung (KAERI)
- Mark Summerfield and Lubi Dimitrovski (ANSTO)
- Ayman Hawari (NCSU)
- Lin-Wen Hu (MIT)
- Sean O’Kelly (INL)
- Doug Selby (Retired – ex ORNL)
- Robert Williams (NIST)
- Claude Pascal (AREVA-TA)
- Danas Ridikas and David Sears (IAEA)
- Nestor De Lorenzo (INVAP)
- Edgar Koonen and Steven Van Dyck (SCK.CEN)
- Heiko Gerstenberg (FRM2)
- Christopher Heysel (Mc Master University)

Apologies received from Herman Blaumann (CNEA), Tim Powers (ORNL) and John Bumgardner (INL) not being able to come to this conference.

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## 1. Update list of IGORR SC members

The Steering Committee welcomes some new participants:

- Nestor De Lorenzo from INVAP (Argentina) replacing Juan-Pablo Ordonez
- Herman Blaumann from CNEA (Argentina) replacing Jose Lolich
- Tim Powers from ORNL (USA) replacing Doug Selby
- Steven Van Dyck from SCK.CEN (Belgium) replacing Edgar Koonen

The Steering Committee is strongly wishing to have a member from Russia: The Chairman will ask Alexander Tuzov, now director of the RIAR-Dimitrovgrad Centre to propose someone from ROSATOM.

Moreover, the Steering Committee agrees to also have a member from Jordan (from JAEC as a future operator of the JRTR): the chairman will also investigate with JAEC their possibility to propose someone.

## 2. Feedback from previous IGORR conference in Bariloche

The Steering Committee acknowledged the very fruitful conference hosted by CNEA-INVAP in November 2014, combined with an IAEA Technical Meeting on Low Power RR.

The Steering Committee suggests keeping a similar structure for the next IGORR conference that is to say a whole week with technical tour on the Wednesday.

## 3. Next IGORR Conference (IGORR 18<sup>th</sup> edition- 2017)

The Steering Committee appreciates this 17<sup>th</sup> edition of IGORR in Europe combined with RRFM for the third time and thanks ENS for the organization of such big event (about 330 participants from 39 countries).

For the next edition of IGORR, it is proposed to go back to Asia-Australia and we are very glad to have a proposal from ANSTO to host the next IGORR in Sydney early December 2017. Many thanks to ANSTO for such proposal which is really appreciate by the Steering Committee.

To reproduce similar collaboration with the IAEA as in 2013 (Daejeon) and in 2014 (Bariloche), the chairman already had some exchanges with the section on Safety of Research Reactors (Section head: Amgad Shokr) of the agency and it appears of great interest to combined the next IGORR with an IAEA Technical meeting on PSR (Periodic Safety Review): an official request to DDG-NS (Dr Lentijo) has been send and the process is on-going.

Mark Summerfield from ANSTO, David Sears from IAEA and Gilles Bignan as a chairman will work together for the preparation of this conference (logistics –conference venue, website, agreement with ANSTO, time schedule until December 2017....) and will regularly keep the Steering Committee informed.

The identified dates for this next IGORR are: **4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017** (back-up dates: 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017) in Sydney.

Note: the SC also discussed the one after and an interesting idea is to have the IGORR 2019 edition (typically June 2019) in Amman (Jordan) as the JRTR normally will have start being in operation.

#### 4 Some comments from Doug...

Doug Selby just retired from ORNL and gave some comments and advices to the IGORR Steering Committee (and more interesting information is given in his presentation at this conference: "IGORR the first 25 years" distributed with these minutes):

- to revisit the full charter of IGORR to make sure it is consistent with the scope of IGORR today,
- to restart the workshops during the conference in order to enhance the exchanges on some specific topics,
- to consider again the representatives of each organization at the Steering Committee as a contact person to set foundation for global networking,
- to actively continue the collaboration with the IAEA in order to enhance the networking.

The Steering Committee thanks Doug for his strong involvement since the beginning of IGORR and wishes him a very good retirement period.

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***See you all next year in Sydney....***