

Welcome to the World of Standards



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 57th GENERAL ASSEMBLY (19-20 APRIL 2011)

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- 🌐 **Elected as ETSI Director-General for five years as of July 2011**
- 🌐 **Walter Weigel thanked for his leadership and achievements since 2006.**

- Membership up from 712 to 751 (+30).
- 605 Full Members (+26)
- 121 Associate Members (+5)
- 25 Observers (-1)
- Total Units of Contribution up from 3341 to 3443 (+102).
- Dual effect of D-G/Board elections helpful in 2011 but may result in a dip in the next few years !
- New members joining tend to be small so the increase could be wiped-out if one big member leaves, merges, or reduces its number of UoCs.

● **FC Report presented by René Dönni Kuoni (FC Chairman).**

● **Three Recommendations:**

- Approve the 2010 financial statements with a deficit of 47 k€, carried forward into the 2011 exercise.
- Consider an increase in the cost of the Unit of Contribution (UoC) in-line with 2012 inflation (currently estimated at 1.8%).
- Implement a new integrated financial software within a budget limit of 500 K€.

● **Pierre-Jean Muller (Huawei Technologies) appointed to FC.**

Note: All FC members due for re-appointment in November 2011 !

Final outcome of 2010 = 22,9 MEUR

- 47kEUR deficit carried forward (less than expected).
- Auditor's Report & Financial Statements approved.

2011 budget (22,2 MEUR) on-track but too early in the year to see the real outcome.

- Purchase of integrated Financial Software to replace SAGE/DS applications approved with a limitation of 350 kEUR maximum cost.

Guidelines for 2012 Budget preparation:

- Total budget of 23 MEUR with two options:
 - Scenario 1 – zero change to cost of UoC.
 - Scenario 2 – 1,8% increase in cost of UoC.

- **Four scenarios ranging from 1,5 MEUR to 2,75 MEUR.**
- **Scenario 3 (1,75 MEUR) approved:**
 - Upgrade Main Building to ERP3 status.
 - All public/member meeting facilities will be transferred to Main Building.
 - New meeting rooms will be created on IRIS level 0.
 - IRIS 0 staff will be re-located within Main Building.
 - Einstein meeting rooms will be converted for staff/STF use.
 - New meeting facilities will be flexible areas with moveable walls, etc.
 - Room reservation and usage planning will be improved to maximize use.
 - Plan to add more rows at back of Amphi Athena and increase to 220 seats will be integrated (cost not yet calculated).
 - Work expected to be completed by end of 2012.
- **Possibility to upgrade to scenarios 2 and 1 later.**

Board Report

- Main Report presented by Mike Walker (Board Chairmen).
- Smart Grids Strategic Topic presented by Emmanuel Darmois.
- Review of the mechanisms for the Funding of ETSI (FOE) Strategic Topic presented by Jonas Sundborg.
- Long term Vision and Strategy (LTS) Strategic Topic presented by Mike Walker.
- Members invited to note that NGPP User Group (NUG) is up and running with Jean-Pierre Henninot as Convenor.

Director-General's Report

- Presented by Walter Weigel (Director-General).

IPR Special Committee Report

- Presented by Dirk Weiler (IPR SC Chairman).

MoUs approved

- T&D Europe.
- Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards (OASIS).

Co-operation Agreements approved

- Japanese Association of Radio Industries and Businesses (ARIB) [upgraded from Lol].

Partnership Projects

- ITS Partnership Project proposal put on-hold due to industry fears that it could slow-down the work.
- Agreement to look at creating a M2M Partnership Project.

- No agreement achieved on proposed Code of Conduct.
- Some questions about the Governance procedures raised during the DG election and Board election discussions.
- GA Chairman tasked to develop Terms of Reference for an ad hoc group to review the ETSI governance structure and procedures to see if they are still fit-for-purpose and to identify elements which could be improved (for approval at GA#58).
- ... also need to find a suitable Chairman for the group !

**GA#58:
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