

**MINUTES OF BOARD AND GENERAL MEETING OF THE
EASTERN DREDGING ASSOCIATION (EADA)
WINDSOR HOTEL, BRUSSELS, BELGIUM
1.30 PM 5TH JUNE 2013**

PRESENT

1. Capt. David Padman	Chairman	Malaysia
2. Mr. Yang Zun Wei	Vice- Chairman	China
3. Mr. Rasydan Alias	Secretary General	Malaysia
4. Mr. John Dobson	Treasurer	Australia
5. Mr. Shuho Yano		Japan
6. Mr. Kim Suk Hyun		S. Korea
7. Dr. Mridul Sarkar		India
8. Capt. K. Subramaniam		Malaysia

1. OPENING

- 1.1 The Chairman welcomed and thanked all members for attending the meeting which gave an opportunity for EADA members to once again review the activities and progress of the association and further discuss on future undertakings.
- 1.2 The General Meeting is held every 3 years on the sidelines of a WODCON Conference as in the current case in Brussels, Belgium. The last meeting was held at Beijing, China on 11 September 2010 during the XIX WODCON Conference.
- 1.3 The Chairman invited all members to briefly introduce themselves and the organisations they represent.
- 1.4 The following agenda was circulated to all members.
 - i. Opening
 - ii. Confirmation of Minutes of previous General Meeting
 - iii. Matters Arising
 - iv. Chairman's Report
 - v. Treasurer's Report

- vi. Election of Chairman, Secretary General, Treasurer and Board Members for period 2013-2016;
- vii. Any other matters

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.

- 2.1 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 September 2010 in Beijing, China was approved and adopted.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING

- 3.1 There were no outstanding matters arising from the last meeting.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- 4.1 The Chairman reported that 2010-2013 was generally a modest period for Eastern Dredging Association.
- 4.2 China Dredging Association (CHIDA) hosted the 4th International Congress for Dredging Technology Development in Chongqing, China in November 2011. EADA was represented by the Secretary General and one of its Board member from Malaysia.
- 4.3 In 2012, EADA India together with AMET University Chennai, India held a 2 day symposium on Oceanography and Shipping which was well attended by locals.
- 4.4 EADA's membership has not shown any significant growth. However individual chapters of CHIDA and EADA (India) has grown substantially with local companies actively taking up membership.
- 4.5 EADA has continued to offer special subscription rates to its members for EADA's official journal, Port & Dredging Construction Magazine. IADC has also offered to provide EADA's members with their official magazine, Terra et Aqua at special rates. In addition EADA has also provided members complimentary registration of 2 places at each Transport Events Conferences which is held regularly with EADA's region. Members are urged to take full advantage of this offers.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT / FINANCIAL SUMMARY

5.1 Mr. John Dobson tabled EADA's Financial Summary for the period between June 2010 until March 2013.

Balance as at June 2010

A\$ 2422.00

INCOME

Subscriptions (inclgd Dredging & Port Construction Subs)	A\$ 3842.00
Interest	A\$ 7.00

EXPENDITURE

WODCON XX preparation & technical papers	A\$ 895.00
WODCON XX Expenses (hotel & travel)	A\$ 980.00
Office running expenses (PO Box, postage etc)	A\$ 479.00
Secretariat expenses	A\$ 220.00
Bank fees	A\$ 192.00
Total Expenditure	A\$ 2766.00
Profit or (Loss)	A\$ 1083.00
Balance as at March 2013	A\$ 3504.00 (approx. US\$ 3300.00)

6. SECRETARY GENERAL'S REPORT

6.1 The Secretary General reported that despite the publicity at various forums especially at regional level, EADA is unable to attract new members although membership under national chapters of CHIDA and EADA (India) is growing steadily.

6.2 Board members were requested to promote EADA's activities among companies associated with dredging, port construction & engineering activities within their countries with the hope of attracting new membership.

6.3 The symposium in Chongqing, China in November 2011 attracted nearly 300 participants. The one day conference was followed by a river and port tour

on the 2nd day to gauge the shipping and port activities as well ongoing dredging and port construction projects within the river enclave of Chongqing.

- 6.4 The seminar hosted by EADA (India) and AMET University, Chennai in January 2013 was well received with over 200 participants attending the 2 day event.

7. ELECTION OF NEW OFFICE BEARERS FOR PERIOD OF 2013-2016

- 7.1 Capt K. Subramaniam chaired the session to elect the new Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary General and Treasurer. The following officers were unanimously elected:-

Capt. David Padman	–	Chairman
Mr. Rasydan Alias	–	Secretary General
Mr. Jon Dobson	–	Treasurer

- 7.2 With Mr. Yang Zun Wei declining re-nomination to the post of Vice-Chairman in view of his impending retirement from CHIDA, the post was left vacant to be filled by a suitable candidate at a later date.

- 7.3 The following were elected as Board Members:-

Mr. Yang Zun Wei	–	China
Mr. Suho Yano	–	Japan
Mr. Kim Suk Hyun	–	South Korea
Prof. Dr. GYV. Victor	–	India
Capt. K. Subramaniam	–	Malaysia
Vacant	–	Australia

8. OTHER MATTERS

- 8.1 The Chairman informed that IADC is planning to organize a Seminar for Dredging Contractors in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in December 2013 and has approached EADA for assistance to promote the event with the view of attracting good participation.
- 8.2 The meeting recorded its appreciation to Dr. Mridul Sarkar for his participation and his offer to organize a regional seminar on dredging in the near future.
- 8.3 The Chairman reiterated the need for EADA to have it's own website which will assist in disseminating information about the organization as well as provide a platform for members to interact with each other and obtain relevant industry information. He tasked the Secretary General and Capt. K. Subramaniam to pursue the matter to fruition.
- 8.4 The meeting unanimously agreed to record its appreciation to CEDA as the host of the XX WODCON in Brussels for the excellent organization and conduct of the event.

9. CLOSING REMARKS

- 8.1 In closing, the Chairman thanked all members for their participation and support and hoped that EADA will continue to grow and serve its members in the Asia Pacific region.