

EUROCALL Annual Report 2003/2004

Headquarters and secretariat

EUROCALL's transfer of its headquarters from the Language Institute at the University of Hull to The Department of Language & Cultural Studies at the University of Limerick, Ireland, was completed in September 2003. Margaret Gammell and Angela Chambers took up their respective appointments as Secretary and Treasurer, from 1st September 2003.

Executive Committee

Members of the Executive Committee for the period in question are listed below. Members of the Committee attend two meetings a year, normally at the expense of their own institution but with assistance from EUROCALL if they have no other source of funding. In between meetings, discussion is carried out through a closed e-mail discussion list. Several committee members also serve on the Academic Advisory Panel of EUROCALL's journal, *ReCALL*, and on the programme committee for EUROCALL conferences. EUROCALL does not pay any fees for the services of its committee members.

Ms Françoise Blin (elected)

Dublin City University, Ireland

Prof Angela Chambers, Treasurer (appointed)

University of Limerick, Ireland

Prof Graham Davies (elected)

Thames Valley University, UK

Mrs Margaret Gammell (Secretary)

University of Limerick, Ireland

Dr Ana Gimeno, Vice-President (elected)

Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Spain

Dr Klaus Peters (co-opted - organiser of 2004 conference)

University of Vienna

Dipl.-Math. Stephan Pohlmann (observer – co-ordinator of national representatives)

Unviersisitaet Rostock, Germany

Prof Dr. Bernd Rüschhoff, President (elected)

Universitääat Gesamthochschule Essen, Germany

Lesley Shield (elected)

The Open University, UK.

Ms Peppi Taalas (co-opted – 2002 conference organiser)

University of Jyväskylä, Finland

Ms Maija Tammelin (elected)

Helsinki School of Economics and business Administration, Finland

Ms June Thompson, (co-opted)

University of Hull, UK

Membership

Total membership of EUROCALL increased from 325 to 419. This increase came about as a result of a decision by the Executive Committee to award membership for the current year to members joining at the annual conference. Previously, membership of new joining members only came into effect the following year. It is hoped that this initiative will show instant benefits of membership to new members and thus help keep them on board. The table below gives a breakdown of the countries represented. EUROCALL continues to operate a reciprocal arrangement with affiliated associations such as CALICO, so that members of these associations are entitled to certain EUROCALL benefits and vice-versa.

2003 EUROCALL Members by country (paid) at 31 July 2004

COUNTRY	CORPORATE	INDIVIDUAL	TOTAL
Australia	0	6	6
Austria	0	12	12
Belgium	7	6	13
Brazil	0	1	1
Canada	2	10	12
Czech Republic	1	3	4
Denmark	1	10	11
Egypt	0	4	4
Finland	5	19	24
France	1	14	15
Germany	4	32	36
Greece	1	6	7
Hong Kong	0	1	1
Hungary	0	4	4
Iceland	0	1	1
Ireland	6	28	34
Israel	0	6	6
Italy	3	10	13
Japan	0	46	46
Latvia	0	1	1
Lebanon	0	1	1
Mexico	0	3	3
Netherlands	3	5	8
Norway	1	6	7
Poland	0	2	2
Portugal	1	2	3
Russia	0	2	2
Singapore	0	2	2
South Africa	0	1	1
Spain	1	20	21
Sweden	3	2	5
Switzerland	3	6	9

Taiwan	0	5	5
Turkey	1	2	3
UK	19	44	63
United Arab Emirates	0	1	1
Ukraine	0	6	6
USA	0	23	23
Venezuela	0	2	2
Yugoslavia	0	1	1
TOTAL	63	356	419

Finance

Income in membership fees amounted to €28,773. A surplus of €15,597 was received from the Limerick Conference. This, along with an additional sum of €1,422 received from an earlier conference at Nijmegen, resulted in an overall surplus of €7,451. However, in spite of this positive outcome, a small deficit would be budgeted for the year 2004-2005. This would allow for an overall increase in the cost of the *ReCALL* Journal, which was being distributed to new joining members in 2004.

Publication

Two issues of *ReCALL* were distributed via Cambridge University Press. These were also made available to subscribers electronically by password access.

Accounts from CUP showed that a small net surplus had been generated in the calendar year 2003, with an encouraging forecast of a further surplus in 2004. The Editorial Board for the year 2004-2005 is listed below:

Editors

Graham Chesters and June Thompson, University of Hull, UK

Reviews Editors

Liam Murray, University of Limerick
Ide O'Sullivan, University of Limerick

Editorial Board

Angela Chambers, University of Limerick, Ireland
Carol A. Chapelle, TESL/Applied Linguistics, Ames, IA USA
Graham Davies, Camsoft, UK
Françoise Demaizière, Université Paris 6/7, France.
Robert Fischer, Southwest Texas State University, TX USA
Nina Garrett, Yale University, New Haven, USA
Michael Levy, Griffith University, Queensland, Australia
Peter G Liddell, University of Victoria, Canada.
David Little, University of Dublin, Ireland.
Sue K Otto, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, USA
Kazumi Sakai, Keio University, Tokyo, Japan
Dieter Wolff, Bergische Universität Wuppertal, Germany

Resources

Members are able to access a wide range of relevant resources via the EUROCALL website, including the Online Software Database at <http://www.lang.ltsn.ac.uk/cit/swddb.html> and Internet Resources for Language Teachers and Learners at <http://www.lang.ltsn.ac.uk/cit/langsite/index.html> as well as Software, Website and Book

Reviews at <http://www.lang.lang.ltsn.ac.uk/cit/reviews.html>, a CALL Bibliography and other resources, all accessible via <http://www.lang.ltsn.ac.uk/cit/index.html>. A new online quarterly Newsletter was launched in 2002, edited by Ana Gimeno. This can be accessed at <http://www.eurocall-languages.org/newsletter/index.htm>

Information service

Discussion list

At the end of the period in question, there were 301 registered users of the discussion list, a slight increase on the previous year. The list is open to members and non-members alike and continues to be regularly used.

Website

The EUROCALL website domain at www.eurocall-languages.org has been moved to a new server at the University of Limerick. The website continues to be maintained by Fred Riley and has undergone a complete redesign during 2004.

Regional representatives

Stephan Pohlmann has continued to co-ordinate the national/regional representatives, who act as contacts in their own particular regions, setting up local websites to stimulate relevant activity locally and to promote membership of EUROCALL. The representatives meet annually at the conference to share ideas, and the Co-ordinator of the representatives is co-opted onto the EUROCALL Executive Committee as an observer.

Conference

Another successful annual conference was held in September 2003 at the University of Limerick, Ireland, organised by Angela Chambers. A selection of papers from the conference was published in *ReCALL* volume 16.

The Annual EUROCALL Research Award

There was no applicant for the Research Award for 2003.

The János Kohn Scholarship

Ms Zsuzsanna Angeli, Veszprém University, Veszprém, Hungary, attended the Limerick conference as holder of the 2003 Scholarship. Her report on the conference was published in *ReCALL* 16(1).

Ms Szilvia Mandli Portoro, was awarded the Scholarship for 2004, for attendance at the Vienna conference.

Special Interest Groups

A successful pre-conference workshop was held at the Limerick conference by the Language Processing SIG. This SIG and the Instil SIG is operated jointly with CALICO.

Full information on both of these SIGs may be found on the EUROCALL website at <http://www.eurocall-languages.org/sigs.htm>

Affiliations

Contact with major national and international associations such as CALICO, IALLT and ATELL continues, and progress has been made towards the establishment of WorldCALL, to act as an 'umbrella' association, with its headquarters at Griffith University, Australia. The second WorldCALL conference was held in Banff, Canada in May 2003.

Margaret Gammell
Secretary, EUROCALL