



## **EUROCALL Annual Report 2007-2008**

### **Headquarters and secretariat**

EUROCALL's headquarters is located at The Department of Language & Cultural Studies at the University of Limerick, Ireland. Margaret Gammell manages the secretariat and Angela Chambers is Treasurer. Both are appointed members of the EUROCALL Executive Committee.

### **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.

#### **Dr. Zsuzsanna Angeli, (co-opted – organiser of 2008 conference)**

Kodolányi University College, Székesfehérvár, Hungary

#### **Dr. Françoise Blin, Vice-President (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 (appointed)**

University of Limerick, Ireland

#### **Dr. Ana Gimeno, President (elected)**

Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Spain

#### **Prof. John Gillespie (co-opted – organiser of 2007 conference)**

University of Coleraine, N. Ireland

#### **Dr. Robert O'Dowd (elected)**

University of Leon, Spain

#### **Ms Lesley Shield (elected)**

The Open University, UK.

#### **Dr. Peppi Taalas (elected)**

University of Jyväskylä, Finland

**Ms June Thompson, (co-opted)**  
University of Hull, UK

### **Membership**

Total membership of EUROCALL at 31 Dec 2007 was 264. 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.

#### **2007 EUROCALL Members by country (paid) at 31Dec 2007**

| <b>COUNTRY</b>  | <b>CORPORATE</b> | <b>INDIVIDUAL</b> | <b>ONLINE</b> | <b>TOTAL</b> |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Australia       |                  | 3                 |               | 3            |
| Austria         | 2                | 6                 |               | 8            |
| Belgium         | 5                | 6                 | 1             | 12           |
| Canada          | 1                | 4                 |               | 5            |
| Chile           |                  | 2                 |               | 2            |
| China           |                  | 2                 |               | 2            |
| Cyprus          |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Czech Republic  | 1                | 1                 | 1             | 3            |
| Denmark         |                  | 6                 |               | 6            |
| Finland         | 5                | 10                | 1             | 16           |
| France          | 1                | 6                 | 1             | 8            |
| Germany         | 6                | 8                 | 2             | 16           |
| Greece          | 1                |                   |               | 1            |
| Hungary         |                  |                   | 1             | 1            |
| Iceland         |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Iran            |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Ireland         | 6                | 8                 | 1             | 15           |
| Israel          |                  |                   |               | -            |
| Italy           | 2                | 1                 |               | 3            |
| Japan           |                  | 32                | 2             | 34           |
| Kosovo          |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Latvia          |                  |                   |               | -            |
| Mexico          |                  |                   | 1             | 1            |
| Netherlands     | 4                | 4                 |               | 8            |
| Norway          | 1                |                   |               | 1            |
| Poland          |                  | 5                 |               | 5            |
| Portugal        |                  | 3                 | 1             | 4            |
| Qatar           |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Romania         |                  |                   | 1             | 1            |
| Russia          | 1                | 4                 |               | 5            |
| Saudi Arabia    |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Singapore       |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Slovak Republic |                  | 1                 |               | 1            |
| Spain           | 2                | 14                | 2             | 18           |
| Sweden          | 4                | 1                 | 1             | 6            |
| Switzerland     | 2                | 2                 |               | 4            |

|              |           |            |           |                            |
|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Taiwan       |           | 1          |           | 1                          |
| Turkey       |           | 4          |           | 4                          |
| UK           | 17        | 26         | 5         | 48                         |
| USA          | 1         | 9          | 1         | 11                         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>62</b> | <b>180</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>GRAND<br/>TOTAL 264</b> |

### Finance

Income from membership fees amounted to €23,210. A surplus of €7,262 was received from the Coleraine Conference. Travel and other expenses had increased during the period and this resulted in a deficit of €7,684 for the year. The Treasurer was predicting a small profit for 2008-2009 but cautioned that costs much be kept to a minimum if this were to be achieved.

### Publication

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

Accounts from Cambridge University Press showed that a net surplus of €2,705 had been generated in the calendar year 2007, with a forecast of a similarly modest surplus in 2008. The Editorial Board for the year 2007-2008 is listed below:

### Editors

Françoise Blin, Dublin City University, Ireland 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

Marie-Madeleine Kenning, University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK

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, <http://www.eurocall-languages.org> including the Online Software Database at <http://www.fredriley.org.uk/call/resources/swdb.htm> and Internet Resources for Language Teachers and Learners at <http://www.fredriley.org.uk/call/langsite/>, as well as Software, Website and Book Reviews at <http://www.fredriley.org.uk/call/reviews/index.htm>, a CALL Bibliography and other resources, all accessible via <http://www.fredriley.org.uk/call/>.

The online quarterly Newsletter was re-launched as *The EUROCALL Review* and is now available in two issues per year. *The EUROCALL Review* is edited by Ana Gimeno. This can be accessed at <http://www.eurocall-languages.org/news/newsletter/index.html>

## **Information service**

### ***Discussion list***

At the end of the period in question, there were 351 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 <http://www.eurocall-languages.org> continues to be maintained by Fred Riley, who is continually updating and improving this vital members' resource.

## **Regional representatives**

National/regional representatives 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 are co-ordinated by Peppi Taalas, who is also a member of the EUROCALL Executive Committee.

## **Conference**

Another successful annual conference was held in September 2007 at University of Ulster, Coleraine, Northern Ireland, organised by John Gillespie. A selection of papers from the conference was published in *ReCALL* volume 20. This year's conference featured a bigger and improved virtual strand, first introduced in 2007. This was once again, coordinated by Lesley Shield and Peppi Taalas.

## **The Annual EUROCALL Research Award**

The recipient of the Annual EUROCALL Research Award for 2007 was Tatsuya Nakata, The University of Tokyo Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Japan. This award includes publication in *ReCALL* Journal, attendance at the annual conference and a year's membership of the Association.

## **The János Kohn Scholarship**

There had been no submissions for the János Kohn Scholarship for 2007. However, the 2006 winner, Besa Pupa of Kosovo, was in attendance at EUROCALL 2007 in Coleraine, N. Ireland.

## **Special Interest Groups**

EUROCALL currently has two Special Interest Groups or SIGS. The Natural Language Processing SIG, which is operated jointly with CALICO, and CorpusCALL.

Full information on both of these SIGs may be found on the EUROCALL website at

<http://www.eurocall-languages.org/sigs/index.html>

## **Affiliations**

Contact with major national and international associations such as CALICO and IALLT 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 third WorldCALL conference would take place in Fukuoka, Japan 5-8 August 2008.

Margaret Gammell  
Secretary, EUROCALL