EUROCALL Annual Report 2001/2002

Headquarters and secretariat

EUROCALL continued to operate from the C&IT Centre of the Language Institute at the University of Hull, with June Thompson as Secretary, Graham Chesters as Treasurer and Julie Venner as Membership Secretary, assisted by Fred Riley and Janet Bartle. However, due to impending changes in the staffing arrangements at Hull, steps are being taken to identify an appropriate venue for the EUROCALL headquarters from 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. 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 Francoise Blin (elected)

Dublin City University, Ireland

Ms Nicole Chénik (co-opted)

Université Paris IX Dauphine, France

Prof Graham Chesters, Treasurer (appointed)

University of Hull, UK

Prof Graham Davies (elected)

Thames Valley University, UK

Dr W E Ditters (observer – 2001 conference organiser)

Nijmegen University, Netherlands

Dr Ana Gimeno, Vice-President (elected)

Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Spain

Ms Lis Ramberg-Beyer (co-opted)

Christianshavns Gymnasium Copenhagen, Denmark

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

Universitaet Rostock, Germany

Prof Dr Bernd Rüschoff, President (elected)

Universität Gesamthochschule Essen, Germany

Dr Mathias Schulze (elected)

University of Waterloo, Canada

Ms Peppi Taalas (observer - 2002 conference organiser)

University of Jyväskylä, Finland

Ms Maija Tammelin (elected)

Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration, Finland

Ms June Thompson, Secretary (appointed)

The Language Institute, University of Hull, UK

Membership

Total membership of EUROCALL fell again slightly, from 380 to 363. This issue continues to be a matter of serious concern, with every effort being made to boost membership. 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.

2001 EUROCALL Members by country (paid) at 31 July 2002

COUNTRY	CORPORATE	INDIVIDUAL	TOTAL
Argentina	0	1	1
Australia	0	7	7
Austria	1	7	8
Belgium	10	5	15
Canada	1	9	10
Chile	1	1	2
Cyprus	0	1	1
Czech Republic	1	2	3
Denmark	2	7	9
Estonia	0	1	1
Finland	8	12	20
France	2	13	15
Germany	6	26	32
Greece	0	9	9
Hong Kong	1	0	1
Ireland	9	9	18
Israel	1	3	4
Italy	3	11	14
Japan	0	20	20
Latvia	0	2	2
Malaysia	0	1	1
Mauritius	0	1	1
Netherlands	8	14	22
New Zealand	1	1	2
Norway	2	6	8
Poland	0	2	2

Portugal	1	3	4
Saudi Arabia	0	1	1
Slovenia	0	1	1
South Africa	0	1	1
Spain	2	14	16
Sweden	3	2	5
Switzerland	2	7	9
Taiwan	0	1	1
Turkey	1	0	1
UK	34	47	81
USA	0	15	15
TOTAL	100	263	GRAND TOTAL
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Finance

Income in membership fees amounted to £18,773. The awaited surplus from the Dundee 2000 conference had been received during this financial year, but the Nijmegen 2001 conference had not generated the expected surplus, thus despite every effort being made to minimise operating costs, there was a deficit for the year of £807. A small overall surplus would be budgeted for in the year 2002-2003.

Publication

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

Library subscriptions via CUP continued to be disappointing, though as a result of proposed marketing strategies, a small surplus is projected for the year 2002-2003. The Editorial Board for the year 2001-2002 is listed below:

Editors

Graham Chesters and June Thompson, University of Hull, UK

Reviews Editor

Janet Bartle, University of Hull, UK

Editorial Board

Angela Chambers, University of Limerick, Ireland.

Carol A. Chapelle, TESL/Applied Linguistics, Ames, IA, USA.

Graham Davies, Thames Valley University, UK

Françoise Demaizière, Université Paris 6/7, France.

Robert Fischer, Southwest Texas State University, TX, USA.

Nina Garrett, Yale University, New Haven, CT, USA.

Michael Levy, University of Queensland, Qld, Australia.

Peter G Liddell, University of Victoria, Canada.

David Little, University of Dublin, Ireland.

Sue K Otto, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, USA.

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/swdb.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.ltsn.ac.uk/cit/reviews.html , a CALL Bigliography and other resources, all accessible via http://www.lang.ltsn.ac.uk/cit/index.html

Information service

Discussion list

At the end of the period in question, there were 288 registered users of the discussion list, a slight increase on the previous year (271). The list is open to members and non-members alike and continues to be regularly used.

Website

The EUROCALL website at www.eurocall.org continued to be maintained and enhanced by Fred Riley at the University of Hull.

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 at the University of Nijmegen, The Netherlands, organised by Everhard Ditters and Tom Ammerlaan. A selection of papers from the conference were published in *ReCALL* volume 14.

The Annual EUROCALL Research Award

After a second review stage, the Research Award for 2001 was awarded to Joan-Tomàs Pujola of the University of Barcelona, Spain, with papers by the two runners-up also published in ReCALL vol 14 (2). There were four submissions for the 2002 award, all of which were of high quality, and to be published in ReCALL vol 15. The winning entry came from Adela Gutiérrez of the University of Southampton, UK.

The János Kohn Scholarship

Ida Dringó-Horváth of University ELTE of Budapest, Hungary, attended the Nijmegen conference as holder of the 2000-2001 Scholarship. Her report on the conference was published in *ReCALL* 13 (2).

There were three applications for the 2001-2002 Scholarship, which was awarded to Gyula Tankó of the Eötvös University, Budapest for attendance at the Jyväskylä conference.

Special Interest Groups

Successful pre-conference workshops were held at the Nijmegen conference by both the Instil and the Language Processing SIGs. Both SIGs are operated jointly with CALICO. Full information on both SIGs may be found on the EUROCALL website at http://www.eurocall.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 is scheduled to be held in Banff, Canada in May 2003.

June Thompson Secretary, EUROCALL