

MINUTES OF THE WP PROCESS INTENSIFICATION BUSINESS MEETING PRAGUE, 27 AUGUST 2008

Delegates present:

Cabassud (MC), Brunelle (JPB), Turunen (IT), Petkovska (MP), Kirschneck (DK), Klemeš (JK), Nichols (JN), Hansen (JH), Stankiewicz (AS)

Agenda/action items:

1. New delegates:

Switzerland has nominated its Delegate to WP PI, Dr. Kiwi-Minsker from EPFL Lausanne.

2. Minutes of the 2007 Business Meeting in Copenhagen:

Accepted

3. Developments in the past year:

AS reports on WPPI, EPIC 2007, PI Roadmap and EUROPIC. Also, Process Technology Innovation Group initiative is presented by JN. Handouts of both presentations are attached to the minutes. Turunen reports on the PI-Workshop organized by Lappeenranta University of Technology.

4. EPIC 2009 – preparation status

AS reports. There is no data available on the number of the already submitted abstracts. The deadline for abstract submission has been shifted to September 30, 2008. **All delegates are requested to approach the relevant research groups in their countries for the abstracts. AS will distribute the pdf of the Call among the Delegates.**

At EPIC 2009 the location of the EPIC 2011 has to be announced. At the moment Graz is a potential candidate. The other option could be to organize EPIC 2011 again as a satellite event of the ECCE congress in Berlin. Both (and perhaps other) options will be discussed per mail in the coming months.

5. First year “Chemical Engineering & Processing: Process Intensification”

AS reports. The journal is performing well, although there is a need to further increase the PI component in the submitted manuscripts. **Delegates are requested to approach the relevant research groups in their countries and to promote the publishing of PI-related papers in the journal. AS will provide the Delegates with a pdf information or a sample issue.**

6. EFCE Excellence Award in PI:

IT presents his proposal of a Call for Nominations. The proposal, with some minor corrections, is accepted by the Delegates. **IT will send the final version to AS, who in turn will contact Mrs Honndorf at the EFCE Secretariat for the formal acceptance.** The WP aims at the first Award Ceremony being held at the EPIC conference in Venice.

7. M.Sc. International course in PI:

AS reports about the new concept of the course which is being prepared at TU Delft in collaboration with KU Leuven. **After the course is given for the first time in Delft**

(winter 2008/09), Stankiewicz will post the handouts on the WPPI website asking Delegates for comments and contributions. The idea is to develop and share a European PI course module.

8. Website of WP PI/Database:

JK presents the website of the Working Party. The website looks very impressive Delegates congratulate Jiri on the excellent job. ***All Delegates are requested to check and update their personal information on the website and provide JK with their photos. Also, everyone is requested to provide JK with the links to interesting PI-publications for the website.***

9. PI Workshops and Summer Schools

JK proposes to organize a PI Summer School in Vesprem, Hungary in 2010. ***JK and AS will work out this proposal further.***

10. Data and place of the next Business Meeting:

The next Business Meeting of the WP PI will be held in Venice during the EPIC 2009 conference, on 18 June 2009, in the morning. Detailed information will follow.