



BALKAN UNION OF METALLURGISTS

10th MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE BALKAN UNION OF METALLURGISTS

**- MINUTE -
BELGRADE, May 19-20, 2004.**

PARTICIPANTS OF THE 10th MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE BALKAN UNION OF METALLURGISTS

a. REGULAR MEMBERS, WITH THE RIGHT TO VOTE

1. Mehmedin Lohja – Tirana
2. Avram Avramov – Sophia
3. Aleksandar Dimitrov – Skopje
4. Borivoje Miskovic – Belgrade
5. Sorin Dimitriu – Bucharest

a.1. Excused their absence

6. Mile Georgievski – Skopje
7. Lukas Lukas – Athens
8. Ziya Kayir – Ankara

b. DIRECTORS OF CENTERS

9. Zeljko Kamberovic – Belgrade

b.1. Excused their absence

10. Sergey Milosevski – Skopje
11. Nihat Kinikoglu – Istanbul

c. OTHER PARTICIPANTS

12. Zef Lleshi – Tirana
13. Dragan Slavkov – Skopje
14. Branko Djuric – Belgrade
15. Endre Romhanji – Belgrade
(substitutue for Zevgolis – Athens)

M I N U T E

1. Report on the activities of the Secretariat and president of BUM in the period between 9th and 10th meeting of the Administrative Board.
2. Reports of regular members of the Administrative Board on the activities of their associations of metallurgical engineers—present activities and program for 2004.
3. Reports of the directors of BUM centers about achieved results and programs for period 2004-2006.
 - 3.1. Transformation of the Center for Development into Center for Management—Association of Metallurgists of Romania.
 - 3.2. Founding of new centers for ecology and information.
 - 3.3. Journal BUM—Balkan Metal.
4. Report on the Seminar of Deans of Mining and Metallurgical Faculties of Southeast Europe—Conclusions and program of further activities.
5. Admission of new members into Balkan Union of Metallurgists – Association of Metallurgists of Republic Srpska.
6. Financial plan of BUM for 2004.
7. Established contacts with scientific and technical metallurgical institutions in countries of European Union.
8. Proposal of conclusions.
9. Miscellaneous.

C O N C L U S I O N S

OF THE 10th MEETING OF ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF BUM**Ad 1.**

B. Miskovic delivered the report on activities of the Secretariat and president of BUM in the period between 9th and 10th meetings of the Administrative Board, both orally and in written form. Related to this report and the proposed Minute, the following conclusion has been reached:

CONCLUSION 1.

THE MINUTE OF THE 10TH MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD, AS WELL AS THE REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF BUM IN THE PERIOD BETWEEN 9TH AND 10TH MEETINGS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED. ALL IMPORTANT QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN PUT FORWARD AND WILL BE DISCUSSED IN THE FOLLOWING POINTS OF MINUTE.

Ad.2.

The following reports of the Administrative Board members on activities and achieved results in the past period and tasks for the next period have been submitted:

- A. Avramov (Sophia) submitted a written report on the work of Association of Metallurgists. Orally he explicated the report and expressed wishes to intensify the activities in the following period. On the proposal of the president, the following conclusion has been accepted:

CONCLUSION 2.

THE ENDEAVOR TO INTENSIFY THE ACTIVITIES ON THE MAIN PROBLEMS—ORGANIZING OF SYMPOSIA, PUBLISHING ACTIVITIES (ALMANAC), CONTACTS WITH INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF METALLURGISTS, BILATERAL CONTACTS WITH NEIGHBOR COUNTRIES, COOPERATION WITH SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS, FACULTIES, AND INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES—HAVE BEEN POSITIVELY ESTIMATED.

- M. Lohja (Tirana) orally explicated the previously sent written report. He explained the main moments connected with the election of new management and president, contacts undertaken in order to advance the development of metallurgy, and active participation of association's members at international meetings. An expectation is expressed about organizing a scientific conference after year 2006.

CONCLUSION 3.

THE ACCOMPLISHED RESULTS IN THE ORGANIZATION OF ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGIST AND THE PROGRAM OF FURTHER ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN FAVORABLY ASSESSED; PARTICULARLY THE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FRAME OF BUM AND THE PARTICIPATION AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES.

- A. Dimitrov (Skopje) underlined the main activities of the Association of Metallurgists in the period 2000-2003, on the basis of previously submitted report by M. Georgievski, the president of the Association. The main points were the history of the Association of Metallurgists, the celebration of the metallurgists' day, organizing and participation at symposia, and activity in the frame of BUM. On the basis of this report the following conclusion has been drawn:

CONCLUSION 4.

ACTIVITY OF THE ASSOCIATION PROCEEDS SMOOTHLY, IN RELATION TO THE PREVIOUS PERIOD. PARTICULARLY FAVORABLE ARE THE EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE THE BUM CENTER FOR COATINGS; GOOD RESULTS ON THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL ARE EXPECTED IN THE NEXT PERIOD. THE ACTIVITY OF THE ASSOCIATION WILL BE REINFORCED THROUGH PUBLISHING ACTIVITY AND LECTURES OF EXPERTS.

- B. Miskovic (Belgrade) submitted an extensive written report, with the aim to serve as a model for other members of the BUM in writing reports. This report was earlier sent to all members. On basis of the discussion at the Meeting, the following conclusion was reached:

CONCLUSION 5.

THIS REPORT COMPLETELY DESCRIBES PRESENT ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS AND THE POSITIVE RESULTS ACHIEVED IN PUBLISHING, ORGANIZING DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS (CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, ROUND-TABLES), ACTIVE COOPERATION WITH METALLURGICAL INSTITUTES, FACULTIES, LARGE METALLURGICAL COMPANIES, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, CHAMBERS, MINISTRIES FOR SCIENCE, AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION, PARTICULARLY WITH BALKAN COUNTRIES. ALSO OUTLINED IS THE FUTURE WORK. THE REPORT HAS BEEN POSITIVELY ASSESSED. THE EFFORT TO INCLUDE BUM INTO THE PROGRAMS OF INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS IN THE FRAME OF EUROPEAN UNION HAS BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED.

- S. Dimitriu (Bucharest). The tasks foreseen in the working plan have been accomplished. The publishing activity (metallurgical prognosis) is not complete because of lack of information from other member countries of BUM. Preparations for the meeting of deans of metallurgical faculties are carried on.

CONCLUSION 6.

THE ACTIVITY OF ASOCIATION OF METALLURGISTS OF ROMANIA IS POSITIVELY ASSESSED. THE BUM MEMBERS SHOULD REGULARLY SUPPLY INFORMATION FOR PUBLISHING ACTIVITY (PROGNOSIS). THE PLANNED ORGANIZING OF THE MEETING OF DEANS OF METALLURGICAL FACULTIES SHOULD BE HARMONIZED WITH THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE SEMINAR HELD IN ATHENS.

Ad 3.

Reports on achieved and planned further activity of centers of the Balkan Union of Metallurgists.

- A. Dimitrov (Skopje). Emphasis in the report is put on organizing of the Center for Coatings, planning and following of its activities. Director S. Milosevic and president of the Center's executive board submitted the written report. Besides planned activities, the list of executive board members is attached.

CONCLUSION 7.

THE ACTIVITY OF THE CENTER AND THE WORKING PLAN FOR 2003-2004 ARE POSITIVELY ASSESSED. TO FULFILL ALL THE TASKS QUALITATIVELY AND TIMELY A LARGER INVOLVEMENT OF THE CENTER'S MANAGEMENT AND ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS IS NECESSARY. HIGHER ACTIVITY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS FROM OTHER ASSOCIATIONS IS ALSO NEEDED.

- S. Dimitriu (Bucharest). The Center is fulfilling its planned objectives. Information from other metallurgical associations is missing. The international cooperation is accomplished through two international projects.

CONCLUSION 8.

THE FORESEEN ACTIVITY OF THE CENTER IS BEING ACCOMPLISHED AND POSITIVE RESULTS HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS. ADDITIONAL EFFORTS ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO PUBLISH THE CENTER'S PUBLICATION TILL THE END OF THE YEAR.

- Z. Kamberovic (Belgrade) outlined the elements from the Center's activity program. The extensive written report was submitted earlier. Emphasis is put on the running projects and projects under consideration; there are five international projects at the moment.

CONCLUSION 9.

ONE OF THE MOST ACTIVE CENTERS IN THE FRAME OF BUM REALIZES A PROJECT WITH MANY PARTICIPANTS, PARTICULARLY FROM THE WESTERN COUNTRIES, ALREADY A COUPLE OF YEARS. HIGHER COMMITMENT IN REALIZATION OF OTHER FOUR PROJECTS AND THE SIGNING OF THE FIFTH PROJECT (WITH PARTICIPATION OF MACEDONIA AND CZECH REPUBLIC) IS NECESSARY. ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT OF COORDINATION BOARD'S MEMBERS FROM OTHER METALLURGICAL ASSOCIATIONS IS REQUIRED.

Ad 3.1.

According to the written request that president of BUM expresses his opinion about the reorganization of the Center for Development it is concluded:

CONCLUSION 10.

THE ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE OF THE CENTER (INSTITUTE) FOR DEVELOPMENT INTO THE INSTITUTION THAT COMPRISES DEPARTMENT "FORECAST FOR DEVELOPMENT" (DIRECTOR O. RADULESCU) AND DEPARTMENT "METALLURGICAL RESEARCH" (DIRECTOR S. DIMITRIU) IS ACKNOWLEDGED.

Ad. 3.2.

President of BUM B. Miskovic explained the need to form two centers—Center for Informatics and the Center for Ecology—in the frame of Balkan Union. In the previous period written and oral proposals were sent to the presidents of

Bulgarian and Greece Association of Engineers to form these centers. An the basis of discussion the following conclusions have been drawn:

CONCLUSION 11.

IT IS ACCEPTED THAT THE ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS OF BULGARIA FORMS THE CENTER FOR INFORMATICS.

CONCLUSION 12.

THE ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS OF GREECE SHOULD STATE IF IT IS PREPARED TO FORM THE CENTER FOR ECOLOGY. THIS WOULD BE VERY DESIRABLE.

CONCLUSION 13.

IF THE GREECE ASSOCIATION DOES NOT DECIDE TO FORM THE CENTER FOR ECOLOGY TILL OKTOBER 1, 2004, THE PRESIDENTS OF THE ASSOCIATIONS OF MACEDONIA AND SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO WILL BE ASKED TO CONSIDER THE OPTIMAL CONDITIONS OF FORMATION OF THE CENTER FOR ECOLOGY BY THEIR ASSOCIATIONS.

Ad. 3.3.

The need to publish the journal "Balkan Metal", in the frame of Balkan Union of Metallurgists, is confirmed. The Editor in Chief will be A. Avramov. In the Editorial Board, besides the president of BUM B. Miskovic, representatives of large metallurgical institutions from Balkan countries will take part.

CONCLUSION 14.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD SHOULD SEND TO A. AVRAMOV THE NAMES OF ENTERPRISES (AT LEAST ONE) AND NAMES OF THESE ENTERPRISES' REPRESENTATIVES TO THE EDITORIAL BOARD OF THE BALKAN METAL JOURNAL.

Ad. 4.

E. Romhanji (Belgrade), as a participant of the Seminar of Deans of Metallurgical and Mining Faculties from Southeast Europe countries, interpreted the written report that A. Zevgolis (Athens) sent earlier and which is included in the materials for this meeting. It was underlined that a great number of deans were present. The main organizational and program problems of metallurgy were highlighted.

CONCLUSION 15.

THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE SEMINAR OF DEANS OF MINING AND METALLURGICAL FACULTIES OF SOUTHEAST EUROPE COUNTRIES ARE ACCEPTED. THE NEED TO HOLD SUCH CONFERENCES EVERY THREE YEARS WAS SUPPORTED. THE NEXT SEMINAR, DEVOTED SOLELY TO METALLURGY, SHOULD BE ORGANIZED BY TECHNICAL CHAMBER OF GREECE OR ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS OF ROMANIA, IN 2006.

Ad. 5.

B. Miskovic, president of BUM, explained the proposal for admission of Association of Metallurgical Engineers of Republic Srpska into the Balkan Union of Metallurgists. In this way, Balkan Union would get its eighth member, this time from Bosna and Hercegovina. (The other part of BiH does not have an organization of metallurgical engineers).

CONCLUSION 16.

THE PROPOSAL TO ADMIT THE ASSOCIATION OF MINING, GEOLOGICAL, AND METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS OF REPUBLIC SRPSKA AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF BALKAN UNION OF METALLURGISTS WAS UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.

Ad. 6.

Z. Kamberovic presented the financial account of BUM for 2003 and the plan for 2004. After examination of the proposal and discussion the following conclusions have been accepted:

CONCLUSION 17.

THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNT FOR 2003 AND THE PLAN FOR 2004 HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED. THE ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS OF TURKEY IS ASKED TO FULFILL ITS OBLIGATIONS FOR 2003.

CONCLUSION 18.

FINANCIAL PLAN, OR PLAN OF EXPENSES FOR 2004 AMOUNTS 3,800 EUR. THE CONTRIBUTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS: BELGRADE 1400 EUR; SOPHIA, SKOPJE, ATHENS, BUCHAREST, AND ISTANBUL 300 EUR EACH; TIRANA AND BANJA LUKA 200 EUR EACH; JOINT MEMBERS AND KOSOVO 100 EUR EACH. THIS CONCLUSION APPLIES ONLY FOR 2004. THE ASSOCIATION OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERS OF ROMANIA IS RECOMMENDED TO REVISE ITS POSITION TOWARDS THE FEE PAYMENT FOR 2004.

CONCLUSION 19.

THE SECRETARIAT AND THE PRESIDENT OF BUM ARE ASKED TO SUBMIT THE SPECIFICATION OF EXPENSES FOR 2004 TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

Ad. 7.

President of BUM B. Miskovic underlined the activities—particularly of the Center for Coordination of Scientific Research—aimed to achieve concrete cooperation of the Balkan Union of Metallurgists with the relevant institutions of the European Union. This was one of the main conclusions of the 9th meeting of the Administrative Board of BUM, held in Ohrid in 2003. The activities have been positively assessed and the following conclusion drawn:

CONCLUSION 20.

THE PRESENT ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVED RESULTS OF THE SECRETARIAT AND THE PRESIDENT OF BUM AIMED TOWARDS CONNECTING OF THE BALKAN METALLURGICAL INSTITUTION WITH SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION ARE POSITIVELY ESTIMATED. THE FORMATION OF MUTUAL PROJECTS AND CONTRACTS IS EXPECTED IN THE NEXT FUTURE.

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MINUTE OF THE 10TH MEETING, TOGETHER WITH MATERIALS PERTAINING TO EACH POINT OF MINUTE AND DISTRIBUTED TO ALL PARTICIPANTS AT THE MEETING, WILL BE SENT BY POST TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD AND DIRECTORS OF THE CENTERS WHO WERE NOT PRESENT AT THE 10TH MEETING.

FROM THE ANALYSIS OF THE WORKING PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 2003-2006 THE FOLLOWING WAS CONCLUDED:

1. THE II INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM “LIGHT METALS AND COMPOSITE MATERIALS” WAS HELD IN BELGRADE.
2. THE 10TH MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF BUM WAS HELD IN BELGRADE.

FOR OCTOBER 2004 THE FOLLOWING IS FORESEEN:

3. MEETINGS OF THE COORDINATING BOARDS OF THE BALKAN CENTER FOR COORDINATION OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND PROJECT SOLUTIONS IN METALLURGY, CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT, CENTER OF METAL COATING, AND CENTER FOR CASTING.
4. SYMPOSIUM ON THE FUTURE OF UNIVERSITY EDUCATION AT BALKANS, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF FACULTY DEANS, IS POSTPONED TO 2006.

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