



The World Organisation for NDT

Annual Report 2011

ICNDT is formally registered as a legal association in Vienna in accordance with the Austrian Corporations Act and has opened a bank account to conduct financial business transactions.

The constitution meets the requirements of the Austrian Corporations Act.

As an incorporated body, ICNDT is required to submit its Annual Report and audited Financial Report to the relevant Austrian authorities.

This is the Annual Report for 2011.

Meetings

The ICNDT Executive Committee (IEC), chaired by Mike Farley, met six times during the year by teleconference. The Policy and General Purpose Committee (PGPC), chaired by Douglas Marshall, met on 2 October 2011, just prior to the Pan-American Conference, which was held in Cancún, Mexico, from 3-7 October 2011. These meetings played an important role in the governance of the ICNDT in a year during which significant progress has been made.

The activities of Working Group 1 (WG1), chaired by John Thompson, were also prominent during 2011 and meetings were held at the 6th Conference on Certification and Standardisation from 12-13 June 2011 in Valencia, Spain, and at the Pan-American Conference, Cancún, Mexico, on 1 October 2011.

Strategic Planning

During the year the primary focus of the IEC was on delivering the actions of the strategic plan, which was initially developed following the 17th WCNDT in Shanghai in 2008. An interim review of the current status of the strategic plan was undertaken prior to the IEC meeting held in January 2011, as well as a further interim review at the PGP meeting held in Cancún in October 2011.

Ongoing reviews on the progress of the resulting action plans were held at each IEC meeting. The main initiatives of the strategic plan are:

- Support for NDT societies
- Promote the importance of NDT and establish links with external bodies
- NDT qualification and certification
- NDT research and education
- Promote best practices and harmonisation in NDT.

Significant progress was made towards the implementation of a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) and an ICNDT Personnel Certification Body Approval (PCBA) Scheme for ICNDT members. Overwhelming support was received from both the IEC and PGP when the issue was voted on. Full support for implementation of this initiative will be sought from the membership during 2012.

The final review meeting of a parallel enquiry by joint members of CEN 138/ISO TC135 committees on the harmonisation of certification standards was also held in Cancún, Mexico, with the participation of ICNDT, on 4 and 5 October 2011, and agreement on the final draft of a joint EN ISO 9712 standard for certification of NDT personnel was reached. The new standard is expected to be published in 2012.

The year 2011 also marked the introduction of membership fees for full and associate members of ICNDT to ensure the future financial viability of the Committee as a corporate entity. A total of 46 members had paid their fees by the end of the year, thereby retaining their membership and voting status. Those that failed to pay will be allowed to attend the ICNDT GA in Durban, but without a vote.

ICNDT also had a successful year with regard to gaining new members, with the following countries becoming full members: Colombia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Portugal, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Uzbekistan.

These countries will be presented with their membership certificates at the General Assembly meeting at the 18th WCNDT.

Considerable initiatives were made to increase the involvement of the African Federation of NDT (AFNDT) in ICNDT activities, particularly the 18th WCNDT in Durban. In this respect, ICNDT has established a specific Travel Award for 2012 of up to €10,000 to enable four candidates to apply and take active participation in the 18th WCNDT.

ICNDT also conducted two workshops at the Pan-American Conference in Mexico to encourage awareness of ICNDT membership to new and potential Central and South American members and also to raise awareness of ICNDT initiatives on qualification and certification.

Operating Procedures

The following operating procedures were produced or modified during the year. These procedures were:

- OP18 ICNDT Certification Executive
- OP19 ICNDT Multilateral Recognition Agreement – System Documents
- OP20 ICNDT Personnel Certification Body Approval
- OP21 ICNDT Monographs.

These operating procedures have been approved by the IEC and PGPC and will be submitted to the General Assembly in 2012.

Website/Journal/Publications

The ICNDT Secretariat has continued to make incremental improvements to the services provided to members through the website and journal, which have been consistently of a high standard thanks to the efforts of Sharon Bond (CINDE) and Corinne Mackle, David Gilbert and the Publishing Department of The British Institute of Non-Destructive Testing.

The German Society, DGZfP, has continued to provide the platform for the ICNDT website, which now also includes the facility for member societies that do not have the resources to set up their own website to take advantage of a shell scheme within the ICNDT site framework, enabling them to establish a web presence.

A detailed review, led by John Thompson, has been undertaken of the ICNDT Guide to Qualification and Certification and a new version will be available for distribution at the the 18th World Conference on Non-Destructive Testing.

18th WCNDT – Durban – Republic of South Africa

The President of the 18th WCNDT, Manfred Johannes, has provided regular updated reports of progress on the WCNDT at IEC meetings. All exhibition space is sold out and all plenary speakers and planning of workshops have been confirmed. The main focus is on attracting attendance at the conference through the support of the ICNDT membership.

Finance

The audited financial report for 2011 and budget for 2012 are appended to this document.



Dr Mike Farley, Chairman, ICNDT

Budget for 2012		
	2012 €	2012 €
	Income	Expenditure
Opening balance (carryover from 2011)	45,803.84	
Donation – 18 WCNDT, Durban	20,000.00	
Donation from Austrian Chamber of Commerce	500.00	
Fees: 40 members @ €250 (€10,000.00 less pre-payments €2,750.00)	7,250.00	
Fees: 11 Associate members @ €100 (less pre-payments €0.00)	1,100.00	
Bank expenditures		300.00
18 WCNDT travel/accommodation award		10,000.00
Meeting expenses		2,000.00
Printing cost (<i>NDT Guideline, ICNDT Journal etc</i>)		2,500.00
Preparation of ICNDT Monographs		2,000.00
Supplies (<i>ICNDT badges, ribbons, flags</i>)		3,000.00
Miscellaneous (<i>shipping, conference calls</i>)		500.00
Total	74,653.84	20,300.00
Allocation to reserves	54,353.84	

Balance at 31.12.2011		
	2011 €	2011 €
	Income	Expenditure
Opening balance (carryover from 2010) <i>Nr: 290-317-995/00</i>	31,430.68	
Donation from Austrian Chamber of Commerce	500.00	
Member fees <i>(including pre-payments)</i>	16,901.41	
BINDT – printing cost		1,996.50
Office cost		nil
Bank expenditures <i>Nr: 290-317-995/01</i>		207.30
Bank expenditures <i>Nr: 290-317-995/01 – fees</i>		211.51
Bank expenditures <i>Nr: 290-317-995/01 – interest</i>	53.06	
Supplies <i>(ICNDT plaques, ribbons, CDs)</i>		nil
Promotion <i>(ICNDT logo reproduction, BINDT video)</i>		nil
Regional Conferences <i>(Africa plaques)</i>		nil
Miscellaneous <i>(shipping, conference call)</i>		nil
Miscellaneous <i>(Cancún representation)</i>		666.00
Totals	48,885.15	3,081.31
Allocation to reserves	45,803.84	

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