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EUROCALL Annual Report 2000/2002

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, Janet Bartle and Claire Cartlich.

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)
School of Applied Languages (SALIS), Dublin City University

Ms Nicole Chénik (co-opted)
UFR Informatique de Gestion, Université Paris IX Dauphine

Prof Graham Chesters, Treasurer (appointed)
Institute for Learning, University of Hull

Prof Graham Davies (elected)
Commercial Development Unit, Thames Valley University

Dr Philippe Delcloque (observer – 2000 conference organiser)
School of Management, University of Abertay Dundee

Dr W E Ditters (observer – 2001 conference organiser)
TCMO, Nijmegen University

Dr Ana Gimeno (elected)
Departamento de Idiomas, Universidad Politécnica de Valencia

Dr Robin Goodfellow (co-opted)
The Open University, UK

Ms Lis Kornum (co-opted)
Christianshavns Gymnasium, Copenhagen

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

Prof Dr Bernd Rüschoff, President (elected)
Universität Gesamthochschule Essen

Dr Mathias Schulze (elected)
UMIST, UK

Ms Maija Tammelin (elected)
Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration

Ms June Thompson, Secretary (appointed)
The Language Institute, University of Hull

Membership

Total membership of EUROCALL fell from 438 to 380 (see Table 1). The issue of trying to boost membership is being seriously addressed by the Executive Committee. Table 1 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.

Finance

Income in membership fees amounted to £19,708. The surplus from the Dundee conference had not been received by the year-end, and the predicted profit from *ReCALL* subscriptions was not achieved, thus the budgeted deficit of £2600 actually became a deficit of £8144. It was hoped that a small overall surplus would be generated in the year 2001–2002.

Publication

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

Despite considerable investment by CUP in the marketing of *ReCALL*, library subscriptions were not as high as predicted. It was hoped that this situation would improve, once *ReCAL*L becomes more visible, especially in North America. The Editorial Board for the year 2000–2001 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.

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Table 1. *EUROCALL members by country (paid) at 31 July 2001*

Country	Corporate	Individual	Total
Australia	0	4	4
Austria	1	6	7
Belgium	9	16	25
Canada	1	8	9
Chile	1	3	4
Czech Republic	1	0	1
Denmark	1	8	9
Estonia	0	1	1
Finland	6	16	22
France	3	19	22
Germany	7	25	32
Greece	0	17	17
Hong Kong	1	1	2
Hungary	0	1	1
Ireland	8	13	21
Israel	1	2	3
Italy	3	8	11
Japan	0	16	16
Korea	0	1	1
Netherlands	8	6	14
New Zealand	1	1	2
Norway	2	2	4
Poland	0	2	2
Portugal	2	2	4
South Africa	0	1	1
Spain	2	11	13
Sweden	3	2	5
Switzerland	3	7	10
Turkey	1	0	1
United Kingdom	37	56	93
USA	0	21	21
TOTAL	102	278	
GRAND TOTAL			380

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.

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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, and various other resources, all accessible via http://www.lang.ltsn.ac.uk/cit/index.html

Information service

Enquiries and visitors
Over the year, the Hull team dealt with 50 enquiries from EUROCALL members and received four visitors who spent time, usually relating to their research, examining software and publications in the dedicated CALL libraries held at Hull.

Discussion list
At the end of the period in question, there were 271 registered users of the discussion list. The list is open to members and non-members alike and continues to be regularly used.

Website
The EUROCALL website at www.eurocall.org continues to be maintained and enhanced by Fred Riley who has also made a number of improvements to the accessibility of resources via the Subject Centre site.

Regional representatives
Stephan Pohlmann has continued to co-ordinate the national/regional representatives, who act as contacts in their own particular regions, to stimulate relevant activity locally and to promote membership of EUROCALL. Local websites have been established in Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland and Spain. 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 Abertay Dundee, organised by Philippe Delcloque. A highlight of the conference was the History of CALL Exhibition, organised by Philippe and jointly funded by EUROCALL and CALICO. A selection of papers from the conference were published in *ReCALL* volume 13.

Research Award
There were four submissions for the annual EUROCALL Research Award, 2001. All were of high quality, and it was decided to allow all candidates an opportunity to revise their papers in the light of reviewers' comments, before making the award.

The János Kohn Scholarship
Péter Gál of the University of Veszprem, Hungary, attended the Dundee conference as

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holder of the 1999-2000 Scholarship. His report on the conference was published in *ReCALL* 12 (2).

There were four applications for the 2000–2001 Scholarship, which was awarded to Ida Dringo-Horvath of the Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest for attendance at the Nijmegen conference.

Special Interest Groups

Successful pre-conference workshops were held at the Dundee 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. The second WorldCALL conference is scheduled to be held in Banff, Canada in May 2003.

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