



September 17th 2025

MINUTES

of the Election General Assembly of WoodEMA which was held during the international scientific conference **WoodEMA 2025** in **Ohrid, North Macedonia**, on **September 17th 2025** at 17⁰⁰

Agenda

1. Assembly setup
2. Mandate reports: President
 Secretary
3. Notes of release to President, Executive Board, Supervisory Board and Secretary
4. Confirmation of new President
5. Election of new Secretary
6. Election of new Supervisory Board
7. Election of new Executive Board
8. Election of new Candidate for President
9. WoodEMA, i.a. Financial report for year 2024
10. WoodEMA, i.a. Financial plan for year 2026
11. WoodEMA, i.a. Annual Awards
12. Hosts for conferences and General Assemblies for years 2026 and on
13. New members applications
14. Other issues

Present: 24 existing members

AD 1.

A quorum was established according to Statute Paragraph 18 (24 of 65 existing members). President Matej Jošt is leading the assembly, General Secretary Denis Jelačić taking Minutes, and Candidate for President Slavica Petrović are members of presidency. The Agenda is accepted unanimously.

AD 2.

The President report and the General Secretary report are accepted unanimously.

AD 3.

Notes of Release for President, Candidate for President, Executive Board, Supervisory Board and General Secretary are accepted unanimously with the date of December 31st 2025.

AD 4.

According to WoodEMA Statutes, Candidate for President Slavica Petrović, automatically becomes President starting a 2-year mandate on January 1st 2026. This action was confirmed unanimously.

AD 5.

After the nomination period, there was only one nomination for General Secretary. Association Secretary Andreja Pirc Barčič was elected unanimously. Andreja Pirc Barčič will take over the position of Secretary, as mandated, starting January 1st 2026.

AD 6.

Elections by secret voting for new Supervisory Board members were conducted. Each WoodEMA member had the right to vote for 3 candidates from the members list. After voting Živka Meloska, Branko Glavonjić and Richard Vlosky were elected to be the Supervisory Board members, starting January 1st 2026. The President chosen by members of Supervisory Board is Živka Meloska. Supervisory Board was confirmed unanimously.

AD 7.

Elections by secret voting for new Executive Board members were conducted. Each WoodEMA member had the right to vote for 4 candidates from the members list. Previously elected members in other bodies (President, General Secretary and members of Supervisory Board) were excluded from the voting list. New members of Executive Board, in addition to the new President, are: Vladislav Kaputa, Manja Kitek Kuzman, Petra Palatova and Ivana Perić. New Executive Board was confirmed unanimously with 2 votes sustained.

AD 8.

The new Executive Board suggested the new Candidate for President, Vladislav Kaputa, who was confirmed unanimously with 1 vote sustained.

AD 9.

The Financial Report for the year 2024 was accepted and confirmed unanimously.

AD 10.

The Financial Plan for the year 2026 was accepted and confirmed unanimously.

AD 11.

This year, Executive Board of WoodEMA awarded Richard P. Vlosky from LSU, Louisiana, USA with Individual WoodEMA Annual Award.

AD 12.

The host for the next WoodEMA conferences are confirmed unanimously as follows: for the year 2026 the host will be Zvolen, Slovakia (the date and venue will be decided afterwards), for the year 2027 the host will be Zagreb, Croatia (the date and venue will be decided afterwards).

AD 13.

General Assembly unanimously confirmed 3 new member and gave them the full right to vote and participate.

AD 14.

The problem about Roy Damary fund was presented to General Assembly. Trying to find the solution Executive Board asked some remarks and suggestions from General Assembly. Executive Board gave 2 suggestions to the General Assembly (raising the age limit from 35 to 40 years of age; raising up the scholarship from 500,- € to 750,- €) and asked for more ideas. After a long discussion and different suggestions it was concluded as follows:

- a) General Secretary should make the age analysis of WoodEMA members
- b) After the analysis the Executive Board members should make a decision for solving the problem among 3 suggestions – raising the age limit from 35 to 40 years of age; raising up the scholarship from 500,- € to 750,- €; include the PhD students who are not members by attracting them to become members including their membership fee into the scholarship for 1 or 2 years.

Notice

As it is the case at each annual General Assembly, a plaque of appreciation was presented to the main organizer. Since this year WoodEMA conference was organized in partnership with Faculty of Design and Technology of Furniture and Interior in Skopje and International Business University in Skopje, the Thank You plaques were presented to Živka Meloska, as the President of the Organizing Committee and to Marija Miloshevska Janakieska, as well as the Dean of FDTFI.

Also, as usual, the Thank You plaque was presented to our members in appreciation for 10 years of loyal membership.

General Assembly lasted for 90 minutes.

WoodEMA General Secretary

Denis Jelačić