EAFT General Assembly

Innsbruck, 27-11-2025

Donatella Pulitano sent a proxy.

1. The General Session is opened by the President of the EAFT, Henrik Nilsson.

2. Henrik Nilsson is proposed and elected as the Chairperson

3. Begoña Arrate is proposed and elected as the minutes writer.

4. The Agenda is displayed and approved.

5. The minutes of the 2024 General Assembly, which are available at the EAFT website, are approved after no comments are made on them.

6. The Annual Report and the Financial Report (which are available at the EAFT website) are also approved.

   The current activities are explained:

   - The Board Meeting: the last in-person meeting was in San Sebastian (Basque Country).
   - The Summit 2025 has been organized. All the previous Summits are also mentioned.
   - EAFT Conversations: our new series EAFT Conversations is being very popular. So far we had two EAFT Conversations: one on LGTBQ terminology and another one on Gender and terminology.
   - Terminology Awards.
   - Sponsored events: MDTT 2025 and Summer Trans IX.
   - TSR: Niina Nissilä, Úna Bhreathnach and Anca-Marina Velicu are working on it. This year we will have the third edition, a special number on historic terminology, a special issue in French.
   - Agreements: ELRA, LTT, Nordterm, Realiter, Infoterm, TermCoord, IITF and Vukol Beridze Association for Terminology.
   - Co-operations: ISO/TC 37.
   - Publicity:
     - The newsletter is published in English and in French every month. The President asked members to let the EAFT know if they don't receive the Newsletter. Its number of subscribers has raised significantly; it raises a lot of interest.
     - The website is maintained.
     - In March 2025, EAFT stopped its activity on X and migrated to its new profiles on LinkedIn (EAFT, European Association for Terminology) and Bluesky

(@eafterminology.bsky.social). To date, EAFT has around 700 followers on LinkedIn and 61 followers on Bluesky.
- Terminology Map (Termcat).
- Support to seminars, workshops etc.
- Visits […]
- ISO/TC 37: We have a liaison, we try to follow it as much as possible. The second part of the ISO plain language standard on legal communication is being much talked about.



7. Presentation of next year's activity plan

The celebration of the 30th anniversary of the EAFT probably will be held in Bergen (Norway).

In February 2026, the EAFT will have its own workshop at the VAKKI Symposium, whose subject will be human communication. The name of the workshop by the EAFT will be "Conceptsus", and its subject will be how terminology consensus happens and the role of the terminologist in expert meetings.

We will maybe also have a TERMINTRA workshop in Hungary. It will be a workshop on national termbanks where we can exchange experiences.

The 4th issue of TSR will come out soon.

Planning of Summit 2027: Henrik Nilsson encourages members to send ideas for the next Summit.

Revision of the statutes (with legal assistance): there are things that must be simplified. For example, there is for example a commission which does not exist.

Fatemeh Akbari, the Persian Language Director at Kamusi Project International who represents ICOS (the International Council of Onomastic Sciences) asked if it would be possible to add German in the statutes as an official language of EAFT apart from English and French. Henrik Nilsson replied that it could be discussed when revising the statutes, but this year the association has not received any funding apart from membership fees, which has motivated a decrease in the association's funds. The President of the EAFT underlined that, even the 4th volume of the Handbook of

Terminology about Terminology Planning in Europe is only in English, we decided that the Summit 2025 would be bilingual and that the EAFT would pay for interpretation.

We are also searching for other bank solutions, as the current bank is expensive.

8. Next years's membership fee

Sandra Cuadrado provides an overview of the financial situation of the EAFT:

- This year as a Summit year has had a bigger expense (around 5.000 € expense for this Summit). The events MDTT 2025 and Summer Trans IX have also been funded by the EAFT.
- Sandra Cuadrado thanked the auditors, Susanne Lervad and Maja Bratanić, for their support, for one more year, as auditors of the EAFT Financial Report.
- This has been the 1st year where coinciding with the Summit when the EAFT has not received any funding apart from members' fees. DGLFLF has not funded the EAFT Summit, for which it usually provided around 4.000 €. This is why the numbers are lower.

Henrik Nilson adds that the membership fee has remained the same since EAFT was created, so a revision of the membership fee is suggested. These fees are suggested for 2026:

– Individual member: 70 €
– Associational member: 280 €

This raise would enable the EAFT to maintain plurilingualism and do many good things for terminology.

As this decision must be made by the General Assembly, not by the Board, it is voted and it is accepted with no negative votes.

The EAFT Board will continue to make good use of it in sake of plurilingualism and terminology.

Henrik Nilsson underlines that new ideas are welcome and asks members to let it know to the EAFT Board if they have any suggestions.

9. Other business

Susanne Lervad praises EAFT Board's work. She represents the SIG on textile terminology. She can see that several members from EAFT are interested in this subject and thinks that this could be done at the European level.

Rute Costa praises the activity of the new Board. A lot of people have gathered for this event and that is not an easy thing nowadays where so many things are happening in the world of terminology.

Henrik Nilsson thanks Rute Costa, says she did a great job as a former president of EAFT and mentions that she inspired him for her hard and great work.

As there are no more comments, the General Assembly is finished.