

Alpha General Assembly  
Saturday, 28.04.2012  
17.30 - 18.30  
Church House - Conference Centre Westminster, London

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# MINUTES

## **Welcome**

Basak Balaban welcomes all members present and thanks them for having joined us in London. Two tellers are requested for counting the votes and David Mortimer, Marc van Den Bergh as well as Virginia Bolton volunteer.

1. **Agenda** 28.04.2012

The agenda is unanimously approved

2. **Minutes** GA May 01, 2011 Budapest

The minutes are unanimously approved

3. **Chairs** report on past and future activities

Basak Balaban reports on the past activities (for details please see the extensive presentation by Basak Balaban, available online).

Alan Thornhill informs the membership about the future plans of Alpha. In 2013 another Consensus meeting is planned where an international group of representatives will be invited and not focus on Europe alone.

Workshops with other societies and organizations are planned in 2012 and 2013; all of these activities need to be cost neutral as Alpha has limited funds for the activities planned.

Follow our activities online at [www.alphaconference.org](http://www.alphaconference.org)

4. **Treasurer's** report (2010 + 2011)

Aidita James reports on the finances of Alpha. For details please see the online presentation. Alphas capital per 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2011 amounts to € 36.319.  
The treasurer report is approved unanimously.

5. **Membership** Alpha

Lisa Cowan reports on the membership of Alpha, which currently has more than 200 members. It's interesting to see that in the conference year, membership increases and in the in between year decreases again. It is Alphas goal to attract as many new members as possible and by the planned activities we are convinced to achieve this goal. Thomas Ebner who joined the Alpha EC today will be the responsible for Alpha membership and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact him.

6. **Elections** to the EC

Lisa Cowan and Peter Fancsovits leave the EC as their term has come to an end and are thanked for all the work and support they have given to Alpha in the past years.

The new EC is composed as follows:

- Alan Thornhill - Chair
- Peter Nagy - Secretary
- Aidita James - Treasurer
- Basak Balaban - member
- Ana Cobo - member
- Alpesh Doshi - member
- Thomas Ebner - member
- David Gardner - member
- Thorir Hardarson - member

The Executive Committee members are confirmed unanimously by the members present.

7. Venue for 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference 2014  
Alan Thornhill presents the possible venues for the 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference.  
The Alpha EC is looking into venues in Spain, Denmark and Turkey. As soon as an ideal location has been found, the membership will be informed - please visit our websites for updates.

As no questions were raised, the meeting concludes at 18.30

Maya Weder  
For the minutes

Basak Balaban (*approved 08.05.12*)  
Chair Alpha



Alan Thornhill (*approved 16.05.12*)  
Secretary Alpha



Worb, 8 May 2012