

Ref.: UNISCAPE/5GA/DOC.minutes.2012

## MINUTES OF UNISCAPE's 5<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

University of Algarve, Faro, 5th of May  
9.30 am – 1 pm  
Green Amphitheatre of Building 9 - Campus de Gambelas

### Participants:

1. President, **Carlo Magnani**, IUAV, Italy
2. Vice-President, **Annalisa Calcagno Maniglio**, University of Genova, Italy
3. Director, **Bas Pedroli**, University of Wageningen, Netherlands
4. **Juan Manuel Palerm**, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain
5. **Yann Nussaume**, University of Paris La Villette, France
6. **Thomas Panagopolous**, University of Algarve, Portugal
7. **Veerle Van Eetvelde**, University of Ghent, Belgium
8. **Andrea Galli**, Polytechnic University of Marche
9. **Francisco Galiana**, Universitat Politecnica de Valencia (Spain)
10. **Conor Newman**, NUI Galway, National University of Ireland (Ireland)
11. **Tana Lascu**, on behalf of **Zeno Bogdanescu**, Rector of UAUIM, "ION MINCU" University of Architecture and Urbanism, Bucharest (Romania)
12. **Emilio Padoa Schioppa**, Università degli Studi di Milano Bicocca (Italy)
13. **Flavia Tiberi**, on behalf of **Maria Concetta Zoppi**, Università degli Studi di Firenze (Italy)
14. **Patrizia Tassinari**, Università degli studi di Bologna (Italy)
15. **Daniele Torreggiani**, Università degli studi di Bologna (Italy)
16. **Marco Devecchi**, Università degli Studi di Torino (Italy)
17. **Martina Slamová**, Technical University in Zvolen (Slovakia)
18. **Alexander Kantartzis**, on behalf of **Tsirogiannis Ioannis**, Technological Educational Institute of Epirus (Greece)
19. **Tessa Goodman**, UNISCAPE's office manager

### Proxies to Bas Pedroli:

**Saša Dobričić**, University of Nova Gorica, **Ola Wetterberg**, University of Gothenburg (Sweden)  
**Florencio Zoido**, Universidad Internacional de Andalucia (Spain)

Proxies to Carlo Magnani: **Almo Farina**, University of Urbino (Italy)

Proxies to Marco Devecchi: **Roberto Gambino**, Politecnico di Torino (Italy)

### Observers:

**Maria de Belem Martins**, University of Algarve, Portugal  
**Jon Burley**, Michigan State University, East Lansing, USA  
**Luis Loures**, Polytechnic Institute of Portalegre, Portugal  
**João C. Azevedo**, Instituto Politecnico de Bragança, Portugal  
**Isabel Ramos** on behalf of Teresa Pinto Correia, University of Evora, Portugal  
**Riziero Tiberi**, University of Florence, Italy

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**AGENDA OF UNISCAPE's 5<sup>th</sup> General Assembly**

**1. Introduction**

*Ref. UNISCAPE/5GA/DOC.1 agenda.2012*

*Ref.: UNISCAPE/4GA\_2011/DOC.V\_Minutes*

1.1 Approval minutes 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly meeting, Ghent, 15 October 2011

1.2 Adoption of the agenda

1.3 New members

**2. Administration**

*Ref. UNISCAPE 2011 Balance sheet/5GA/DOC.2.2012*

*Ref. UNISCAPE 2011 Balance sheet details/5GA/DOC.3.2012*

*Ref. UNISCAPE financial controller report on 2011 balance sheet/5GA/DOC.4.2012*

2.1 Approval of UNISCAPE's 2011 Balance sheet

**3. Elections**

*Ref. UNISCAPE Report President Magnani /5GA/DOC.7.2012*

*Ref. Proposal for Regulation regarding Honorary Vice-Presidents and Honorary Board Members Executive board*

3.1 Candidate statements for President, Vice Presidents and Board Members (the latter to fill vacancies due to retirement)

3.2 Honorary membership regulation

3.3 Election of President, Vice Presidents and of Board Members

**4. Activities**

*Ref. UNISCAPE Activities 2012-2014/5GA/DOC.5.2012*

*Ref. UNISCAPE 2012 Budget/5GA/DOC.6.2012*

4.1 Budget 2012-2013 and bank details

4.2 Follow up payment of the fees 2011

4.3 2008-2012 activities, Carlo Magnani (see also statement under 3. 5GA/DOC.7.2012)

4.4 Debate on 2012-2014 activities, proposed by the Executive Board and General Assembly

4.5 Next General Assembly meeting (1 May 2013, Paris?)

5. Any other business

**1. Introduction**

Teresa CORREIA, responsible for Urban planning for the city of Faro opens the meeting. The President of Faro Macario CORREIA excuses himself and wished a successful meeting and as ex-minister of Environment believes that UNISCAPE work is of major importance for Portugal and for all Europe's landscapes.

PEDROLI asks all participants to briefly introduce themselves and informs the Assembly that ZOIDO was not able to come for eyesight problems and gives his regards. PETRONCELLI sends her regards to the assembly. Also ZAGARI and GAMBINO are apologised.

The General Assembly approves the minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> General Assembly meeting, Ghent, 15 October 2011.

NEWMAN asks information on the Erasmus Mundus application and PEDROLI informs the assembly that Sevilla could not keep on developing the initiative due to administrative reasons, but Wageningen is taking into consideration the idea to take over the application process.

The General Assembly adopts the agenda of the meeting and approves the following 2012 membership requests:

**Mendel University in Brno** (Czech Republic), UNISCAPE representative: Alena Salašová

**Technological Educational Institute of Epirus** (Greece), UNISCAPE representative: Tsirogiannis Ioannis

**Università per Stranieri di Perugia** (Italy), UNISCAPE representative: Dianella Gambini

**Universitat Politècnica de València** (Spain), UNISCAPE representative: Francisco Galiana

**University Ion Mincu Bucharest** (Romania), UNISCAPE representative: Zeno Bogdanescu, Rector of UAUIM

**University of Macerata** (Italy), UNISCAPE representative: Umberto Moscatelli

GALIANA briefly explains to the assembly that one of the main reasons that Universitat Politècnica de València decided to join UNISCAPE was to try and improve the integration of landscape policies at a regional level. LASCU explains that University Ion Mincu is interested to join UNISCAPE because in Eastern Europe there is lots of work to be developed on landscape management.

KANTARTZIS, on behalf of IOANNIS expresses the desire of the Technological Educational Institute of Epirus to promote the integration of the ELC in Greece.

PEDROLI with regard to the membership request of University of Macerata, highlights that the Marche region has now 4 universities involved in UNISCAPE and invites GALLI to take the word. GALLI informs the assembly that he wishes the most fruitful cooperation in the Marche region between the different universities.

PEDROLI informs the assembly that STU Bratislava - Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava will still need to be observers for the following year.

PEDROLI also informs the assembly that in 2012 the entire University Federico II (Naples) is now member of UNISCAPE and is represented by PETRONCELLI.

## **2. Administration**

PEDROLI with regard to UNISCAPE's 2011 Balance sheet reports to the assembly that UNISCAPE had asked for funds for the Careggi Seminars to Ente Cassa di Risparmio of Florence in June 2011 but was informed in February 2012 that the funds were not to be granted. UNISCAPE has received a donation of 15,000 euro by Fondazione Florens in March 2012 for a collaboration started in September 2011. PEDROLI also adds that aim of the 2012 budget is to end the year with a net income in order to cover the start of the 2013.

PALERM reports that there are extra chapters that should be added to UNISCAPE's balance representing all the activities and efforts that each member develops and invests in projects that create extra investments and expenses.

DEVECCHI adds to the discussion the experience of the faculty of Agronomy of the University of Torino, the faculty of Architecture of the Polytechnic of Torino, the faculty of Architecture of the University of Genova and the faculty of Agronomy of the University of Milan in organising a series of lectures on landscape as part of the Inter faculty master's degree in Planning of Green areas and Landscape.

PEDROLI proposes that all members should make a brief report of their activities carried out with UNISCAPE's support before the annual General Assembly's meeting.

GOODMAN informs the meeting that the balance sheet is based on the bank transactions of UNISCAPE's bank account.

The assembly takes note of the report of the financial controller and PEDROLI informs that soon an English version of the report will be available.

Taking into consideration the information provided, the General Assembly approves UNISCAPE's 2011 Balance sheet. In the future, also demonstrable investments in UNISCAPE activities by the partners will be included in the financial reporting.

## **3. Elections**

PEDROLI presents to the General Assembly the candidatures of:

–MAGNANI for President

–DOBRIČIĆ and VAN EETVELDE for Vice-Presidents

PEDROLI informs the Assembly that this will be his last mandate as Director therefore it is important that the Vice-Presidents take over some responsibilities for UNISCAPE's future.

MAGNANI presents his report on UNISCAPE for 2008-2012. MAGNANI highlights the importance to invest 2/3 of UNISCAPE's balance in running expenses leaving a 1/3 for the Executive Board to invest in activities.

CALCAGNO MANIGLIO thanks MAGNANI for his efforts and suggestions.

TASSINARI thanks MAGNANI for his report and suggests to the assembly that it is important to improve cooperation exchange projects amongst UNISCAPE for Ph.D. students and also developing Erasmus Mundus.

Regarding the elections of the Vice-Presidents and President the assembly decides to proceed with secret voting.

VAN EETVELDE presents her reasons to be elected as Vice-President and stresses the importance of the Conference in Paris for new memberships in North Europe. In general it is important that new members clearly understand which are the advantages of being part of UNISCAPE, therefore it is fundamental that UNISCAPE adopts a strategy for the next years.

PEDROLI on behalf of DOBRIČIĆ presents her candidature.

With reference to the Honorary membership regulation CALCAGNO MANIGLIO proposes that it should be changed to Extraordinary because honorary can't last 4 years only. The General Assembly accepts this proposal and decides to approve the proposal as distributed with this amendment.

CALCAGNO MANIGLIO invites participants to candidate themselves and in particular invites PALERM to present his candidature. PALERM accepts to candidate himself and briefly expresses his ideas on future developments for the map of research and competences

DEVECCHI asks the Assembly what is GAMBINO's position now. PEDROLI, with reference to the Extraordinary membership regulation informs the meeting that:

CALCAGNO MANIGLIO, University of Genova, Italy is Extraordinary Vice-president  
ZOIDO, Universidad Internacional de Andalucia, Spain is Extraordinary Vice-president  
ZAGARI, University of Reggio Calabria, Italy is Extraordinary Executive Board member  
GAMBINO, Politecnico di Torino, Italy is Extraordinary Executive Board member

For the two new positions in the Executive Board, the General Assembly agrees on considering the next in order of the elections for EB members in Ghent, therefore FARINA and PETRONCELLI are from now new members of the Executive Board.

Elections for the Vice-Presidents and President take place. GOODMAN and RAMOS take care of collecting the voting papers and counting the votes.

The First round:

19 votes for MAGNANI; 17 votes for VAN EETVELDE; 12 votes for DOBRICIC

12 votes for PALERM

PEDROLI communicates the results of the first round and invites participants to vote again between PALERM and DOBRIČIĆ.

In the second round:

11 votes for DOBRIČIĆ; 11 votes for PALERM

Taking into consideration this second round the General Assembly decides to elect three Vice-President instead of two.

With reference to the voting and to the Extraordinary Membership Regulation, this is the **new composition of the Executive Board:**

Carlo MAGNANI, IUAV (Venice), Italy: President

Sasa DOBRICIC, University of Nova Gorica, Slovenia: Vice President

Veerle VAN EETVELDE, University of Ghent, Belgium: Vice President

Juan Manuel PALERM, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain: Vice President

Bas PEDROLI, University of Wageningen, Netherlands, Director

Yann NUSSAUME, University of Paris La Villette, France

Thomas PANAGOPOULOS, University of Algarve, Portugal

Maria Concetta ZOPPI, University of Florence, Italy

Elvira PETRONCELLI, University Federico II, Italy

Almo FARINA, University of Urbino, Italy

Annalisa CALCAGNO MANIGLIO, University of Genova, Italy: Extraordinary Vice-president

Florencio ZOIDO, Universidad Internacional de Andalucia, Spain: Extraordinary Vice-president

Franco ZAGARI, University of Reggio Calabria, Italy: Extraordinary Executive Board member

Roberto GAMBINO, Politecnico di Torino, Italy: Extraordinary Executive Board member

#### 4. Activities

PEDROLI with reference to the **2012-2013 budget** agrees with MAGNANI in order to make sure that 1/3 of the budget is committed to UNISCAPE's activities.

With reference to UNISCAPE's bank account

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the General Assembly authorises according to the Statute the President and the Director to take care of the ordinary administration only, with the stipulation that extraordinary administration is not required for UNISCAPE.

NUSSAUME presents to the Assembly the **International Conference "Landscape and Imagination"**- Paris 2-4 May 2013. He thanks all UNISCAPE members who are helping. He informs that the deadline for presenting abstracts is the 15<sup>th</sup> June. The organisers of the 6 thematic groups indicated in the call should ask other UNISCAPE members to indicate 4 names for the themes in order to have more people and adopt a peer review system for full papers. TASSINARI offers her availability to review abstracts and full papers for themes 4, 5 and 6.

With regard to the **Careggi Seminars** PEDROLI asks the members who participated to the Second Careggi Seminar coordinated by TASSINARI, GALLI and AGNOLETTI to report their impressions.

SLAMOVA says that it was important to participate to the second Careggi Seminar because next year her university is going to organise a seminar based on this topic.

TIBERI adds that it is important for young researchers to combine their knowledge. TIBERI also stresses the importance of the working group.

PEDROLI shows to the assembly the first issue Quaderni di Careggi which is published on UNISCAPE's website.

PEDROLI proposes to TASSINARI, GALLI and AGNOLETTI to publish the results of the seminar in a scientific journal also. GALLI informs the assembly that there were very good presentations by young researchers and students, therefore he hopes to enhance their contributions.

PEDROLI suggests that they should ask for a specific section in a journal.

BURLEY suggests Landscape and Urban Planning. VAN EETVELDE suggests a special issue in JoLA, the Journal of Landscape Architecture of ECLAS: <http://www.jola-lab.eu/>.

PADOA SCHIOPPA suggests to publish full papers on "Landscape on line".

PEDROLI informs the meeting that the Young researchers landscape working group met for the second time in occasion of the Second Careggi Seminar and that a section on Atlas.eu will be dedicated to the activities of the group. The Assembly takes note that the 14<sup>th</sup> of June there will be the Third Careggi Seminar on Soundscapes coordinated by Almo FARINA. CALCAGNO MANIGLIO asks FARINA for a presentation of the topic.

CALCAGNO MANIGLIO will be the coordinator of the fourth Careggi Seminar that will take place in November on energy landscapes. CALCAGNO MANIGLIO informs the meeting that the speakers should have a link with RECEP-ENELC.

NEWMAN offers his contribution regarding the deregulated wind energy.

NUSSAUME points out that it is important to understand what is UNISCAPE doing each year in order to think where we put energy. A follow up of what is being done should be on the website.

LASCU adds that it is important to track also the implementation of research results.

PALERM says that there is a difference between what UNISCAPE does and what it supports. It is necessary that the aims for the following years are established: maybe the Careggi Seminar could represent the first step. PEDROLI concludes that is necessary to develop a four year action plan.

MAGNANI asks the assembly why we can't accept modern energy landscapes.

CALCAGNO MANIGLIO replies that we have to accept that we need energy, but we need to understand how to integrate this need in changing landscape: e.g. with regard to the solar panels in fields what are we doing?

PALERM asks the assembly if energy production is a strategic point on UNISCAPE's agenda.

NEWMAN points out the need for specific research that can have impact on policies.

PEDROLI says that it is important to make a follow up on Landscape in a Changing World – Bridging Divides, Integrating Disciplines, Serving Society COST-ESF Science Policy Briefing and meeting in Brussels. DEVECCHI communicates that the fifth Careggi Seminar on landscape observatories will take place the 21-22 march 2013.

PALERM stresses the importance of this topic for UNISCAPE because UNISCAPE can make proposals for their implementation to the Council of Europe. The language of the Careggi seminars is English. GOODMAN briefly reports on the International Photo Contest "People's Landscapes" - 3rd edition and informs the meeting that the deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of May.

PALERM suggests that the jury meets in person instead of using skype.

NUSSAUME informs the assembly that he would like to organise an exhibition of drawings for Paris 2013 special events.

#### **5. Any other business. Requests for Sponsorship and Member's proposals:**

SLAMOVA proposes a seminar in April 2013 in Poland (at the Poznan University) on the visualization of hand drawing landscapes, on the basis of a methods developed in Poland. SLAMOVA also communicates that they are planning a conference on historic landscapes for the next half 2013.

TASSINARI presents an idea, which was born within the UNISCAPE coordination group at the University of Bologna, to organize an interdisciplinary workshop about "Landscape and gardens in the cinema", which may be held in spring 2013 in Imola, Italy. This event, aimed at merging studies in various fields of sciences, social sciences, and humanities, could be a good chance to introduce a broader public to UNISCAPE. The support of anyone interested in participating would be much appreciated, and the Unibo working group would be glad to organize this workshop under the eegis of UNISCAPE.

DEVECCHI informs the meeting of the third edition of meetings with the landscapes.

GALLI informs the assembly about a conference in March 2013 in Berlin.

TIBERI informs the meeting that ZOPPI would like to promote new initiatives for UNISCAPE's master class in Pistoia and organise a master class in late September- October 2012.

TIBERI adds that in the same period of Florens 2010 (November 2012) the Salone del Restauro will host the celebration of 30 years of ICOMOS and ZOPPI invites UNISCAPE's members to participate.

Prof. KANTARTZIS presents the activities of Technological Educational Institute of Epirus.

PADOA SCHIOPPA informs the meeting that in December this year there will be the conference of the Italian chapter of IALE.

VAN EETVELDE communicates that IALE is organising the next European conference in September 2013. LASCU informs the meeting that next year 10-12th June 2013 a conference on landscape as sustainable tourism in Romania.

PALERM reports on the map of research and competences and informs the meeting that he would like to propose a round table in Brussels about the MANIFIESTO.

PANAGOPOULOS proposes to use a COST action.

NEWMAN proposes to advertise initiatives to other universities not part of UNISCAPE with a pack from UNISCAPE's office in order to increase membership.

MAGNANI closes the meeting by stating that the Association UNISCAPE is apparently doing well and full of activities and enthusiasm. The coming period will require consolidation, increased interaction between the members, and work on new (preferably financed) initiatives, to be able to fully benefit from the added value of the Association. He thanks all participants for coming and in particular thanks PANAGOPOULOS for the hospitality of the University of Algarve.

The meeting ends at 1 pm.