



Draft agenda **(Final)**

DOCUMENT 1

38th Annual Business Meeting of the Academia Europaea members at the

Location

**OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIA EUROPAEA
NO PRE-REGISTRATION NEEDED**

**Location: B ÁLNA (Whale Event Center), Bálna
1093 Budapest, 11-12 Fővám Square in the Zrínyi Room**

Zoom link: (to be added later)

**Tuesday 13th October, 2026
17:40 – 19:40 (Budapest time)**

From 01 October. ALL DOCUMENTS CAN BE FOUND here: https://www.ae-info.org/ae/Acad_Main/Annual_Business_Meetings (no passwords needed)

A series of pre-AGM membership-wide electronic advisory ballots on the motions were held online from 22nd September to – 29th September.

(NOTE: an agenda and documents pack will be available at the door of the meeting room for any physical attendees). **PLEASE ALSO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER AT THE DOOR**

In the chair: The President – Professor. Dr. Don Dingwell (Munich)

1. Welcome and adoption of the 2026 draft agenda (by members present) – [**DOCUMENT 1**]
2. To adopt the minutes of the AGM held on 15th October, 2025 - [**DOCUMENT 2**]

Transaction of Ordinary Business

- 3** Short Reports (covering the past 12 months and going forward): QUESTIONS ARE INVITED
 - 3.1 President – Don Dingwell. To note the 2025 Trustees (Activity) report. [**DOCUMENT 3.1**] and to report on 2026 activity

MEMBERS present at the AGM, are asked to ratify the result of the online ballot of members, to the Motion: “Members recommend the AGM to adopt the 2025 Trustees report”. [DOCUMENT 3.1**]**

e-ballot result: adopt: 388. Do not adopt 0

- 3.2 Finance – Professor Stephen Evans (Treasurer) a summary report [Document 3.2a] has been tabled in advance and the 2025 examined accounts were made available online. [**DOCUMENT 3.2**]. **The Treasurer will also briefly update members on 2026.**

MEMBERS present at the AGM, are asked to ratify the result of the online ballot of members, to the motion: “Members recommend the AGM to adopt the 2025 accounts”. [DOCUMENT 3.2**]**

e-ballot result: Adopt 385. Do not adopt 0

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3.2. 1 Members present at the AGM, are asked to ratify the outcome of the e-ballot of members on the Motion: “That members recommend the re-appointment of the Audit/Examiners: Messrs Keith Vaudrey and Co. Ltd, London“. [Document 3.2.1]

E-ballot result: Yes re-appoint 387. Do not re-appoint 1

3.2.2 Annual members' financial contribution for 2027

Members present (at the AGM) are asked to ratify the outcome of the e-ballot of members to the Motion: “Members are asked to approve the trustees recommendation, for an annual, [voluntary] contribution, based on an age –related scale, and effective from January 1st 2027. As follows:

Ordinary members
Members up to and including 65 years of age: 200 Euro
Members 66 - 75 (inclusive) years of age: 125 Euro
Members over 75: Voluntary donations are welcomed, but they are optional (recommended level 50 Euros).
Foreign members (all age categories): 200 Euro

E-ballot result: Approve the 2027 fees 348. Do not approve the fees 38

3.2.3 Additional motion for the room:

That the Members (present at the AGM) are asked to approve an **establishment fee for all new (2027) members** of 200 Euros applicable to new members and applied irrespective of age at the time of their acceptance of membership.”

4. Elections and appointments

4.1 Re- election of a Treasurer.

Professor Evans has reached the end of his first term as Treasurer. In line with our regulations, he is eligible to be re-elected for a second and final three-year term. Professor Evans has notified the Board of his willingness to be re-elected.

MOTION: The Board of trustees recommend that members present vote in favour of the re-election of Professor Evans as the Treasurer for a period of three years from 1st January 2027 to 31st December 2029.

5. Changes to the Regulations

Members (present at the AGM) are invited to take note of the advisory e-ballot and the recommendations of the Board of Trustees and ratify the proposed amendments to the regulations. **Document 5.1** is an explanatory memorandum for the proposed changes. **Document 5.2** are the [old and] new regulations.

Result of the E-ballot: Approve the change 355. Do not approve the changes 16

6. Members (**present at the AGM**) are invited to adopt a new policy for the identification and appointment of Class chairs. If adopted this policy will be effective immediately. [**Document 6**]

Other Business (as time allows)

7a Report by the Editor-in-Chief of the European Review – Professor Alban Kellerbauer

7b. Brief AE Regional Knowledge Hub Reports 2026/27:

Barcelona (Prof. Jaume Bertranpetit Academic Director, Ms Maite Sánchez Riera - Hub Manager).

Bergen (Prof. Eystein Jansen Academic Director, Ms Kristen Baaken - Hub Manager).

Bucharest (Sorin Antohi, Executive Director, Grigore Vida, - Hub Manager)

Budapest (Prof. Peter Hegyi, Academic Director, , Hub manager).

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Tbilisi (Prof. David Lordkipanidze Academic Director, Ms Natia Khuluzauri – Hub Manager),
Wroclaw Hub (Prof. Arkadiusz Wojs Academic Director, Ms Anna Jarosz – Hub Manager),
Graz Data Centre (Dr Helmut Leitner – Centre manager, Ms Dana Kaiser manager)

8. Future plans (President)

9. **TO NOTE:** Announcement of the call for nominations for election to membership – opened 01 October 2026 - 31 January 2027

10. **Announcement of a call for suggestions and offers related to the creation of a programme of member led events marking the 40th anniversary of the establishment of the Academia Europaea (1988 – 2028). This call also includes any offers to host and organise/manage the anniversary annual conference of the AE in 2028.**

11. Closing remarks

NOTES:

Trustee (Activity) 2025 report and 2025 examined accounts at: https://www.ae-info.org/ae/Acad_Main/Publications/Academia_Europaea_Annual_Activity_Reports_and_Annual_Accounts

AE Statutes and regulations can be found at: http://www.ae-info.org/ae/Acad_Main/About_us/Governance

AE Section chairs and committees at: http://www.ae-info.org/ae/Acad_Main/About_us/Academic_Management

Regional Knowledge Hub websites;

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<https://aebarcelona.eu/>

Bergen

<https://aebergen.w.uib.no/>

Bucharest

<https://acadeurobucharest.eu/>

Budapest

<https://mta.hu/aebudapest>

Wroclaw

<http://acadeuro.wroclaw.pl/>

Tbilisi

<https://www.aetbilisihub.org/>

Corporate website:

www.ae-info.org

The Executive Secretary . Frau Friederike Brandthaus, AE Munich, 2026
Support office at London – Dr David Coates and Ms Teresa McGovern

E Ballots 2026 results

Academia Europaea AGM 2026 - Results from the E-ballots 30 September

2026 Ballot 1 [Agenda item 3.1]

- **Results for Resolution number 1: The Trustees ask the members to adopt the Trustees (activity 2025) report**

Eligible to vote 6029	Not voted 5641
I do adopt the trustees report of 2025 –	<u>388</u>
I do not adopt the trustees report of 2025 –	<u>0</u>

2026 Ballot 2 [Agenda item 3.2]

- **Results for Resolution number 2: The trustees recommend that members adopt the examined accounts, for the year ended 31 December 2025.**

Eligible to vote 6029	Not voted 5644
I do adopt the accounts for 2025 –	<u>385</u>
I do not adopt the accounts for 2025 –	<u>0</u>

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2026 Ballot 3 [Agenda Item 3.2.1]

- **Results for Resolution number 3:** The Trustees ask members to vote to recommend the re-appointment of our accountants and examiners - Keith Vaudrey and Co Ltd. Chartered Certified Accountants, 51, Marloes Road, London W8 6LA, as auditors/examiners for 2026/7.

Eligible to vote 6029	Not voted 5641
I do appoint Mssrs Keith Vaudrey Co Ltd as examiners - <u>387</u>	
I do not appoint Mssrs Keith Vaudrey Co Ltd as examiners - <u>1</u>	

2026 Ballot 4 [Agenda item 3.2.2]

- **Results for Resolution number 4:** The Trustees ask that members vote to recommend adoption of the following scale of age-related membership fees from January 2027.

The trustees are not proposing any increases for 2027.

Members up to and including 65 years of age: 200 Euro

Members 66 - 75 years of age: 125 Euro

Foreign members (all age categories): 200 Euro

Members over 75: Voluntary donations are welcomed but they are optional recommended minimum 40 Euros.

Eligible to vote 6029	Not voted 5643
I approve the recommended membership fee scale for 2027- <u>348</u>	
I do not approve the recommended membership fee scale for 2027- <u>38</u>	

2026 Ballot 5 [Agenda item 5]

- **Results for Resolution number 5:** The Trustees ask that members vote to adopt the proposed changes to the current Regulations.

Eligible to vote 6029	Not voted 5658
I approve the proposed changes to the current Regulations- <u>355</u>	
I do not approve the proposed changes to the current Regulations- <u>16</u>	

All motions were approved in the E- Ballots.

Members present at the AGM are asked to support these recommendations from your colleagues