

Sub-Committee on TRANSED Conference Planning (ABE60(5))

Tuesday 12th January 2016

15.45 – 17.30

Marriott Marquis, Supreme Court, Washington DC

ABE60(5) Minutes

Attendance

Ann Frye, Co-Chair ABE60(5),
Ann Frye Ltd, UK , Meeting Chair

Vasco Reis University of Lisbon,
Portugal

Lalita Sen, Texas Southern
University, USA Foundation, Taiwan

Eileen Lu Eden Social Welfare

Tom Rickert Access Exchange
International, USA

Mary Crass International Transport
Forum, France

Sally Swanson, Sally Swanson
Architects, USA

Ling Suen ICSA Inc, Canada

Pedro R Kanof, Kanof Mobility
Solutions, USA

Lilian Salazar Tecnologico de
Monterrey University, Mexico

Joe Nien-Tsu Wang, Eden Welfare
Foundation, Taiwan

Joey Goldman, Nelson Nygaard
Associates, USA

Peter Cosyn, Tractebel Engineering,
Belgium

Julie Babinard, World Bank, USA

Anabela Simoes, Lusofona
University Portugal

Roger Mackett, UCL, UK

Shari Schaftkin, FHWA, USA

Jim Marston, Research Scientist,
U.C.SR&SK, USA

Susan Clarke, Canadian
Transportation Agency, Canada

Abha Negi Global Forum for
Empowerment, India

Subash Chandra Vashishth,
Svayam, India

Rex Luk Hong Kong Society for
Rehabilitation, Hong Kong

Sonal Chaudhry, Svayam, India

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1. Minutes of the last meeting (held 12th January 2015) and matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2. Feedback from and review of 14th Transed, Lisbon 2015

Vasco Reis representing the 2015 Transed organisers reported that there had been 244 participants in the Conference. 233 submissions for presentations had been made and 212 were accepted.

He reported that a number of the best papers had been selected for publication in a book published by Cambridge Scholars in 2016 (<http://www.cambridgescholars.com/>). In the case of these papers, only an extended abstract would be included in the full conference proceedings.

There was still confusion about the role of Elsevier and the status of the conference proceedings. Vasco was asked to clarify which papers were being published in which journals and what would be available within the Conference proceedings. **ACTION: Vasco**

Ann Frye reported on the outcome of an on-line survey of Transed participants which she had conducted after the event. 111 responses were received from 24 countries.

It was notable from the survey results that the majority of participants were from academic/research backgrounds. There were significantly fewer people with disabilities than at previous Transeds.

Many people commented on the excellent benefits for networking as one of the major pluses of the Conference. There was criticism, however about the lack of a printed final programme, a lack of coherence in the session themes and that there were too many speakers per theme. It was also felt that there were too many student papers which were not of a sufficiently good quality to merit presentation at an international event.

In discussion it was noted that not enough use had been made of the International or Scientific Committees in helping with selection of papers and organisation of sessions.

3. Preparations and update on 15th Transed, Taiwan 2018

Eileen Lu from the Eden Social Welfare Foundation gave a comprehensive presentation on preparations for Transed 2018 in Taiwan.

She confirmed that the conference would be held from 12 – 15 November 2018 and that she anticipated 600 participants.

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In discussion, there were comments that the proposed registration fee of US\$750 was very expensive and would preclude many people from attending, particularly when taken on top of travel and accommodation expenses.

Eileen and her colleagues were warmly thanked for their excellent preparation work and attention to detail. The sub-committee looked forward to working with the Eden Welfare Foundation in taking the Conference planning forward.