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Editorial

It is snowing in Paris on this Tuesday December 2nd 1997. The sunny weather of Lindau seems to be far away! It is then time to quietly analyse the results of the EMSs meeting held in parallel with ECAM 97. You will find the conclusions of our discussions in the following pages. A step ahead has been made for a closer cooperation between our Societies in Europe. Being fully devoted to the EMSs meeting in Lindau (Germany), this issue doesn't cover the activities of the Societies. Next issue to be published in June/July 1998 should give EMSs news !

First of all I have pleasure in thanking Dr. Udo Gärtner, Director General of Deutscher Wetter Dienst (DWD), Chairman of the International ECAM 97 Organizing Committee, and President of Deutsche Meteorologische Gesellschaft (DMG) for the perfect organization of ECAM. The EMSs enjoyed all facilities for their meetings and had the opportunity to present the conclusions of their discussions during a main ECAM session. Furthermore, although Dr Udo Gärtner has been very busy with ECAM, he participated in our EMSs meetings where he was very active. He fully backed the idea of creating a European Meteorological Society, insisting that it was an absolute necessity.

We also have to be very grateful to the rapporteurs for their extremely good preparation of the synthesis, basis of our discussions. All participants are also to be thanked for their presence and their implication in the debate. It is to be noted that 4 Presidents were present. Claude Pastre, EUMETNET Coordinating Officer, had also accepted to participate: his wide European experience will certainly be very helpful in the process of creating a European Meteorological Society.

In view of preparing the birth of EMS we certainly have an active and rather difficult phase ahead of us. To this task will mostly cooperate representatives of a number of Societies, mentioned in the following report and the advice of Claude Pastre will be welcome. The idea is to establish EMS during ECAM 99 in Norrköping, Sweden. It means that we still have twenty months to come to a positive end.

Autumn days have been very nice in Lindau. Let us hope that the Scandinavian autumn of 1999 will still be more beautiful!

■ René Morin, EMS's Secretary

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The Lindau EMS meeting



Lindau, Lake Constance September 23-26, 1997

The "Third European Conference on Applications of Meteorology" (ECAM 97) has been sponsored and very effectively organized by the German Weather Service (DWD), and it has been very successful. Nearly 400 participants from 33 countries took part. All the circumstances and the working atmosphere have been exciting and encouraging.

In this atmosphere, the WG-EMSs held two meetings and a plenary session where 16 member societies took part. Ten of them gave reports to special subjects of a questionnaire what had been inquired prior to the meeting. During the plenary session the participants of the congress have been informed about the EMSs subjects and plans.

Thanks to the organizer of the EMSs meeting, the Honorary President of the Société Météorologique de France (SMF), M. René Morin, and his assistant, Miss Morgane Daudier, the workshop and its outcome have been very successful. That is documented in this *EMS Newsletter*, and it shows up as very fruitful steps to further and better co-operation between the EMSs.

Thanks to the work of many members of the boards of the Meteorological Societies much

information concerning the societies and their work has been presented during the workshop.

The German Meteorological Society (DMG) together with SMF had a stand at the entrance area of the main auditorium during the congress, which introduced the work of the societies, especially the joint DMG and SMF issue of the *Meteorological Calendar-Calendar Météorologique 1998* what has been done for the second year, now. Many new contacts have been established in that convenient and encouraging congress atmosphere, and many old acquaintances were renewed.

The stand has been meeting point for the members of the different societies and of many other people, and we had good contacts to members of Weather Services and companies who were exhibiting, too.

The Working Group and the whole congress have been very successful, and we will meet again during ECAM 99 at Norrköping, latest.

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(German Meteorological Society)*

Conclusions of the EMS meetings

At the present time, the European Meteorological Societies number 27 from 25 countries. In fact, two new Societies from Ukraina and Portugal joined us recently. Inquiries have been made in the European countries not yet represented which may lead to further membership. Now, the EMSs belong to the following countries :

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| • Austria | • Germany | • Italy(Subalpina) | • Slovenia |
| • Belgium | • Greece | • Netherlands | • Spain |
| • Czech Republic | • Hungary | • Norway | • Sweden |
| • Croatia | • Iceland | • Poland | • Switzerland |
| • Denmark | • Ireland | • Portugal | • Ukraina |
| • Finland | • Italy(AGI) | • Romania | • United Kingdom |
| • France | • Italy(SIMA) | • Slovakia | |

Preparation of the Lindau meeting

It may be useful to first remind you how has been prepared the Lindau meeting:

- The list of topics to be discussed has been selected according to the proposals of the EMSs Presidents,
- The EMSs have made comments and given opinions on the selected topics,
- A synthesis of the EMSs comments has been

prepared for each topic by a rapporteur,

- At the Lindau meeting, the synthesis have been presented by the rapporteurs or their representatives,
- After discussions, final conclusions have been drawn up: they clearly reflect the opinion of the EMSs but suggest a number of practical actions to reach the objectives.

Topics

The following topics have been selected :

- ① The EMS Newsletter
 - ② Code of conduct
 - ③ Accreditation scheme
 - ④ ECTOM (European Catalogue of Training Opportunities in Meteorology)
 - ⑤ Education of the public
 - ⑥ Coorganization of conferences
 - ⑦ Membership of young meteorologists
 - ⑧ Opportunities for employment in Europe
 - ⑨ What about establishing a European Meteorological Society ?
 - ⑩ An EMSs/EMS logo ?
- ... Others.

Rapporteurs

For each topic of that list, the name of the reporter is given below:

- ① **Pal Ambrozy**, President, Hungarian Meteorological Society,
- ② & ③ **Stan G. Cornford**, Secretary General, Royal Meteorological Society,
- ④ **Gérard De Moor**, French Meteorological Society,
- ⑤ **Werner Wehry**, Member of the board, German Meteorological Society,
- ⑥ **Mrs Tanja Cegnar**, President, Slovenian Meteorological Society,
- ⑦ **Col. Tomas Casselgren**, Swedish Meteorological Society,
- ⑧ **Albert Maas**, Dutch Meteorological Society,
- ⑨ **René Morin**, Honorary President and Secretary General, French Meteorological Society,
- ⑩ **Luca Mercalli**, President, Subalpine Meteorological Society of Italy

