Partnership for Acid Drainage Remediation in Europe

Report Global Alliance

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- A new executive council was elected in Freiberg June 11th 2010. The current composition of the council are as follows;

Adam JARVIS (Chairperson) Great Britain, Christian WOLKERSDORFER (Vice Chairperson), Lena ALAKANGAS (General Secretary) Sweden, Lars-Ake LINDAHL (Councillor) Sweden, Bernadette Azzie (Councillor) Ireland, Ferenc MADAI (Councillor) Hungary, Ingar WALDER (Councillor) Norway, Jorge Loredo Perez (Councillor) Spain

- During 2011, the board has met 4 times with the aim of improving the network. The statutes of PADRE have been revised, and will be presented and decided at the General Assembly that is planned at the IMWA conference 2011 in Aachen September 5-8.
- A workshop is also planned at the IMWA Conference. The workshop will be a parallel session on one afternoon in conjunction with a General Assembly of PADRE immediately afterwards. An invitation letter will be sent out through the Executive Council's networks. The title of the session is 'Characterisation and prediction in Europe'. The presenters will be chosen from Europe, but they are not yet selected. A presentation of PADRE and the use of the GARD Guide is planned at the workshop. Decisions regarding the future membership of the Executive Council, and on the updated statutes, will be performed during the General Assembly.
- An inventory of the home countries of members and their professional position has been compiled. What we found was that most members come from the UK and Germany, and from countries where the IMWA conference has previously been held. An effort to identify interested members and to spread information about PADRE is important. A common **PADRE Powerpoint presentation has been created to** be used to disseminate the PADRE initiative and its ongoing development.
- An update of the former website of PADRE is ongoing, and will hopefully be finished before summer 2011. Upcoming and implemented activities within PADRE's area of interest will be published on the website. The ongoing work to develop PADRE, and its relationship to the Global Alliance, will be available on the new website. A discussion forum on the new website will be established.