



UEG e.V.

(Union Europäischer
Gerüstbaubetriebe)

Goals of the UEG



- Influence legislative developments in the EU
 - Develop a comparison of standards in the field of Engineering, Training, Health and Safety
 - Harmonize European scaffolding standards
- Let the scaffolding industry become a big part of Europe!

Foundation of the UEG



The idea of an European scaffolding association was born in March 2007: Associations from Poland, Czech Republic and Germany initiated a first conference in Prague to build up such an organisation.

Other organisations followed this vision in October 2008: The second conference in Potsdam, Germany, lead to the successful foundation of UEG.

Founding members:



- Bundesinnung für das Gerüstbauer-Handwerk - **BI** (Germany)
- Ceskomoravská Komora Lesníků o.s. (Czech Republic)
- Güteschutzverband Stahlgerüstbau e.V. – **GSV** (Germany)
- National Access and Scaffolding Confederation – **NASC** (United Kingdom)
- Polish Chamber of Scaffolding – **PIGR** (Poland)
- Schweizerischer Gerüstbau Unternehmer Verband **SGUV** (Switzerland)
- Vereniging van Steiger Hoogwerken Betonbekistingbedrijven – **VSB** (Netherlands)

(alphabetical order)

Further members:

- The Federation of Norwegian Scaffolding Contractor (**SEF**)
- Confederation of Finnish Construction Industries
- Luxemburg (**FECCEL**)
- STÄLLNINGSENTREPRENÖRERNA (**STIB**)
- Scaffolding, Formwork and Shoring French Trade Association (**SFECE**)

Associate members:



- Alfix
- Altrad Plettac Assco
- Fortal
- Jumbo
- Landskroon
- Layher
- MJ
- Nordic Platform
- Octo Stepup Scaffold Europe
- Peri
- Scafom Rux
- Tobler

(alphabetical order)

Articles of Association



Preamble

The 'Union der Europäischen Gerüstbaubetriebe' is founded for the purpose of a common representation of interests of the scaffolding industry at European level.

In response to this the single members seek the formation of a single will based on the common interests of the members and to act in the spirit of cooperation.

National traditions and distinctions should be appropriately considered.

History 2007-2021



- **2007** Congress of European scaffolding organisations in Prague
- **2008** Foundation of the UEG
- **2009** Building up a network in Brussels
- **2010** Completion of the Comparison of Standards
- **2011** UEG has become an associate member of UEAPME and a full member of NORMAPME
- **2012** Secondment of an Expert in the **European Committee for Standardization (CEN) TC 53**.
- **2013** Recruitment of five associate members and one full member. Expanding the scope of information by regular UEG reports and expansion of the internet presence.

History 2007-2020

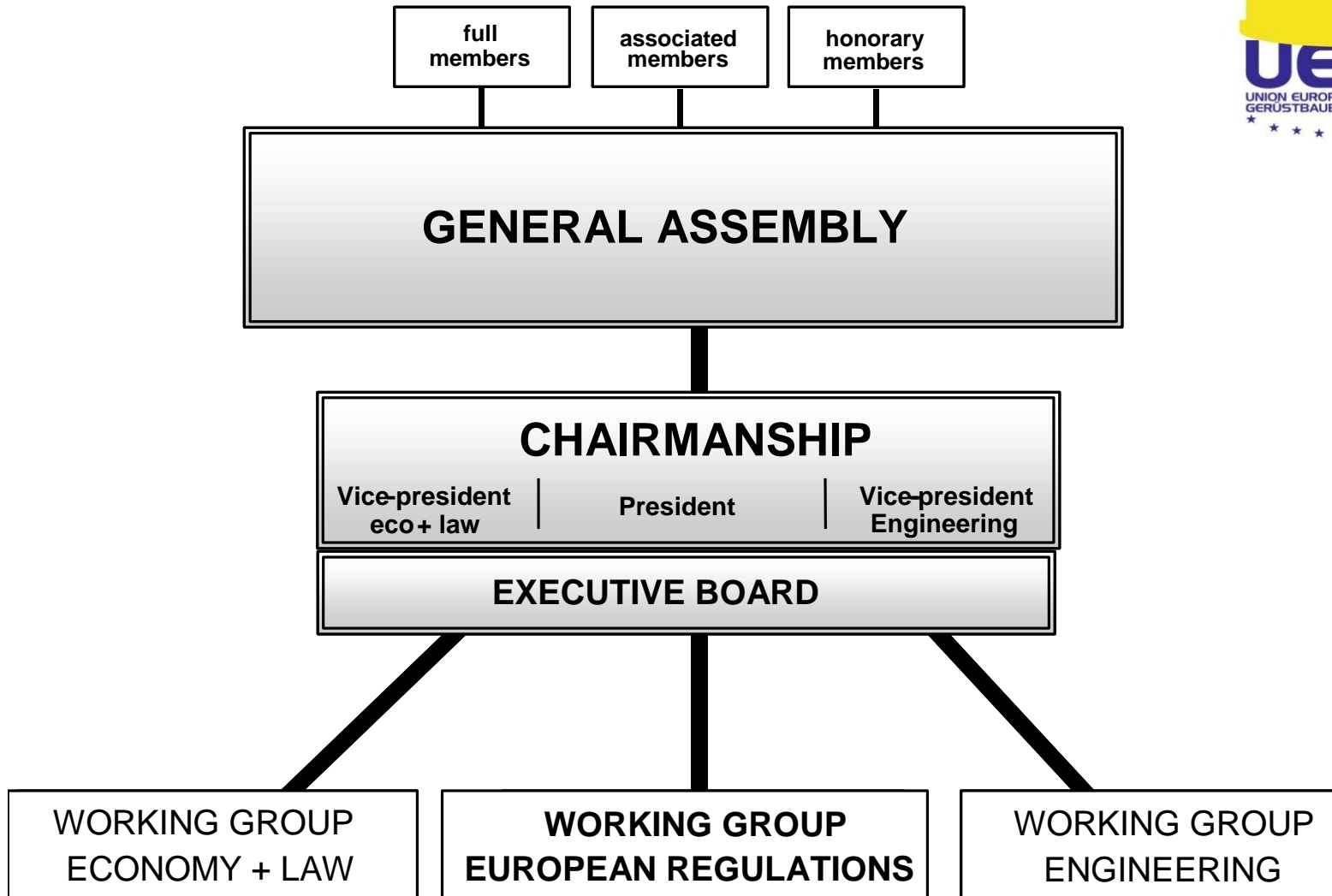


- **2014** Member of SBS (Small Business Standards)
Panel Discussion „Chances and risks of worldwide trading with scaffolding components”
- **2015** Gaining three further Associate Members and one new Full Member
Lecture by Dr. Karl-Christian Fröhlich
“European regulations for scaffolds and falsework” in Vienna
- **2016** Completion of the Practical Guideline
Panel Discussion „Risk Assessment“
- **2017** Starting shot for the new project „risk assessment“

History 2007-2020



- **2018** The UEG is represented in the SBS (Small Business Standards) board by its vice president
- **2019** Instructors' Meeting: Exchange of instructors of all member countries
- **2020** Provision of a second scaffolding expert to the permanent committee CEN/TC 53. Publication of the practical guideline "Risk assessment".



Chair, General Secretariat



- The Chair is composed of the President, **Geir Gule** (NO), the Vice President Economy and Law, **Robin James** (UK), and the Vice President Engineering, **Marc Herkes** (Lu).
- The General Secretariat is situated in Cologne. Secretary is **Hannah Monreal** and the Experts with observer status in the CEN TC 53 are Karsten Weise and Ken Johnson.



Chair in Cologne, 2013



- **Associated member of SMEunited**

- First level contact to the legislation process within the EU
- Together with other SMEs UEG acts as an „agenda setter“ in the European Policy

- **Working together with SBS**

- Direct and fast information about European standardization projects
- Direct participation in the work of Technical Committees (TC) of the European and International Standardisation Organisations
- Standards have an immediate impact on our daily work life!
- Expert has been sent to the CEN committee TC 53 since 2012

Cooperation in European Standardization Committees



CEN National Members

(National Standardization Bodies):



etc.



Technical
Committee
(TC)

Working
Group (WG)

Expert
↓

Expert
↓

Partners:



etc.

Observers
send representatives
that participate to the
debate

SBS Mirror Committee



- The Working Committee „European Regulations“, is at the same time the Mirror Committee of SBS, whose Chairmanship holds the SBS Expert.
- The SBS Expert assembled two or three times a year experts (two person of every member association is nominated) to mirror the activities in CEN TC 53 (Expert Meetings).

Benefits for members:



- **Direct channel** of communication with scaffolders from other countries
- **Exchange** in the Working Groups about actual standardisation processes
- **Joint strategy** concerning the votes in the CEN TC 53
- **Exchange of information and experiences**
 - e.g. information about different education systems
 - e.g. information about Health and Safety instructions



Training Center Dortmund, 2013



Training Center London 2014



General Assembly, Lucerne, 2012



General Assembly in Oslo, October 2013



Chair Meeting, London, 2014





Expert Meeting Cologne, 2014



General Assembly, Trier, 2014





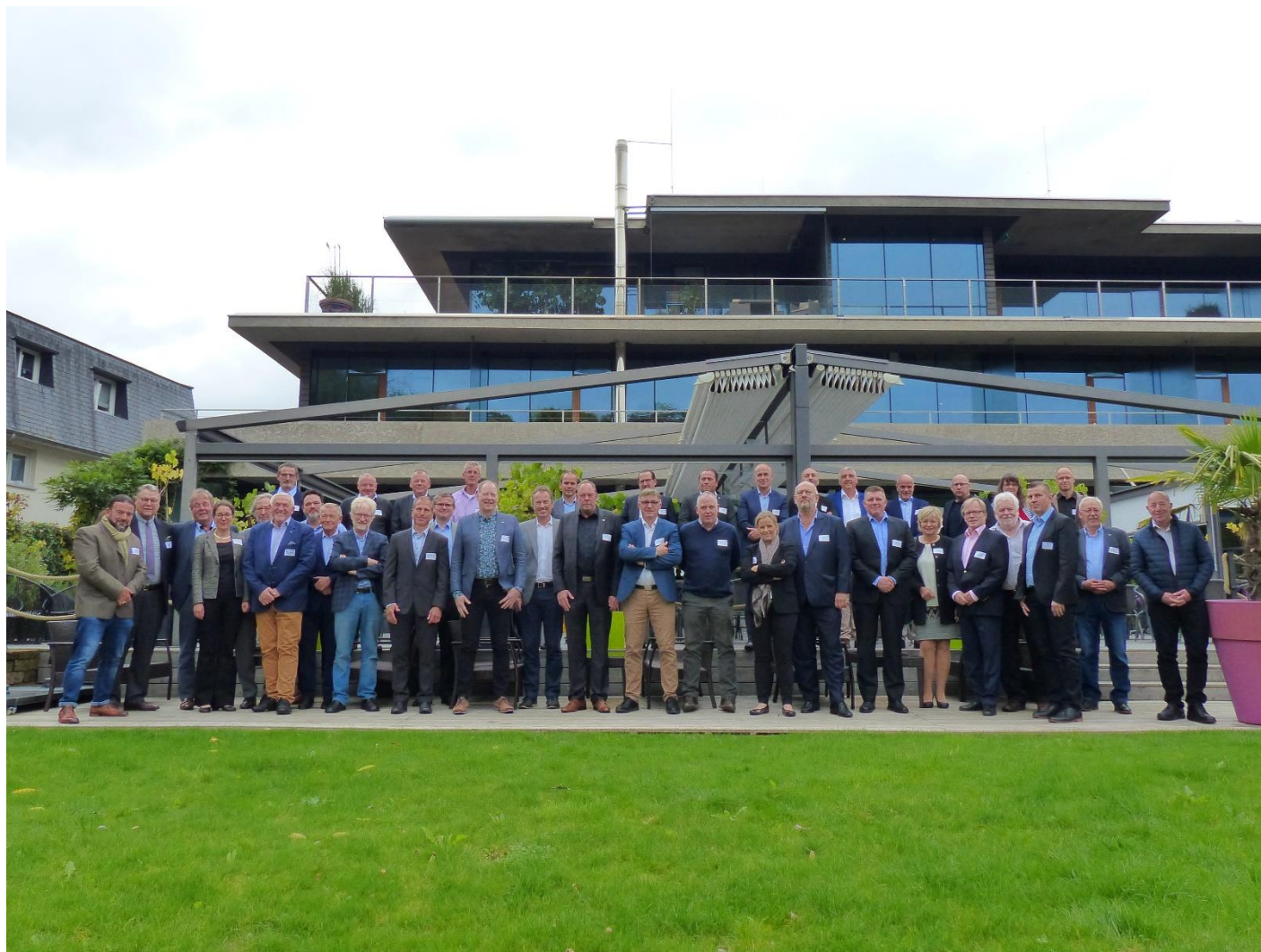
General Assembly, Krakow, 2016













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