



Minutes AFFIA Executive Committee 11/10/2017

Remote meeting – Skype for business
At 11:00 am, Bangkok time

Attending for previous AFFIA EXECOM

Mr Massimo Reverberi, President (MR)
Dr Pajjit Sangchai, Vice-President (PS)

Attending for new AFFIA EXECOM

Dr Wasaporn Chanput, Treasurer (WC)
Mrs Anne Deguerry, General secretary (AD)
Mr Bart Verstapen, R&D Coordinator (BV)
Mr Tharathorn Theerakunded (TT)
Mrs Regan Suzuki Pairojmahakij (RSP)

Attending for AFFIA Secretariat

Mr Nathan Preteseille AETS, coordinator (NP)

1. **Definition** of roles among the New Execom: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Vice-secretary.

NP reads the role of each execom as defined in the statutes. Then, each member exposes which role he or she wants to fit in:

Wasaporn Champut	Treasurer
Anne Deguerry	Secretary
Bart Verstapen	Vice-Secretary
Regan Suzuki Pairojmahakij	Vice-President
Tharatorn Theerakunded	President

As they all agree on their respective roles, there is no need for a vote.

Action point:

TT expresses his will to report it to his employer for final validation of his position as President. He will report back to Execom asap.

2. **A discussion** was organised between AD, WC, BV and NP, on the topic of "the status of KU, it's faculties and the role of WC between these entities and AFFIA".

Two options emerged:

A. KU - as whole university - becomes Honorary Member under the **existing** definition in the statutes, i.e. without Execom seat. Consequently, WC nor any other Kasetsart delegate can participate as Execom member

B. KU - as whole university - becomes Honorary Member under a **changed** definition in the statutes, whereby Honorary Members are eligible as Execom member and have a representative seating in the Execom.

- Eligible for Honorary membership are: an "Individual" or "Institution" or a "Company" who have distinguished themselves in the field of "Insects as food or feed", or who are contributing in an extraordinary way to the objectives of the Association. Honorary members do not pay a membership fee.

- Composition and election of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee members shall be elected amongst the Full members and Honorary members by the General Assembly, by an ordinary majority of the votes. Observer and Associated members cannot be part of the Executive Committee.

Question: Do we admit Honorary Members to be part of Execom?

In either cases, WC or a representative assigned to replace her, will act as coordinator between KU and AFFIA.

After discussion, option B is adopted.

Action point: AD will complete the statutes accordingly and NP will communicate it to all the members

3. **Invitation of presentation on insect as feed project by Pierre-Olivier Maquart:**
NP proposes a webinar format. This proposal is unanimously accepted and greeted:
Webinar: reduce the work to communicating. FAO and ACFS might be partner.
AFFIA will organized the webinar through tools like Adobi Connect / Skype for Business / go to meeting.

Action point: NP checks options for the webinar.

4. **Registration of the association:** general agreement to pursue the registration.

Action point: NP to meet the lawyer on the day following this execom meeting and inform EXECOM.

5. **Internship request:** 2 months student from Denmark from February: Possibility at AETS but a scope of activities needs to be defined if we want to receive the intern. Internship requirements:

Scope of topic?

No supervisor needed

Any kind of activity

Highly flexible

Organisation of an event or survey?

We need the criteria from supervisor

Nathan will dig further

What can she do for affia

Project in Practice

As part of your elective and restricted elective courses, you can choose to do a project in practice either in Denmark or abroad, e.g. in collaboration with a company or an institution. Doing a project in practice as part of your studies is an obvious way of getting to know about, gaining experience of and establishing contacts with the job market. It can provide you with new inspiration for your studies and make you more aware of your academic strengths and qualities. To ensure that your project is aligned with the rest of your studies, before starting the project you must have a supervisor who will provide academic guidance and approve your host company as well as acting as your supervisor during the project period and at the final examination. At the end of the project period, you must have time to do a written take-home assignment. The assignment takes the form of a project report and forms the basis of an oral examination at the end of the block marking the end of the course.

Action Point: NP follows-up and requests more inputs, such that ToR for the intern can be drafted to be agreed with the university.

6. AFFIA AETS MOU:

The MoU has been validly adopted and signed by the previous Execom. In order to inform New Execom members need to be informed, the contract will be sent to them.

Action Point: NP to sent the contract AETS-AFFIA to new Execom members.

7. RP: Insect in the Backyard is planning to organize an event with a Mexican chef in Bangkok, where AFFIA could maybe deliver short talks.

Action point: RP gets back to AFFIA with more details when available

8. Event in Bangkok “Food Protein Asia” in November.

Participation of Massimo and Michi with a small booth.

Action point: NP starts a new AFFIA Data sheet and exchange with BV to finalize it for November. They also discuss on a possible communication item. (bag,etc...)

9. FSC event at Kasetsart University=> Follow-up. (Event title: “Insects for Food Security: Insights in the value chain”)

Action point: BV and NP identify speakers and follow-up with WC for organization.

10. International collaboration (IPIFF, AFFIA, NACIA, AAIS). NP had a call with IPIFF on the day before this Exoecm meeting. The decision was made to define an international contact point for international projects in each insect association. AD, member of IPIFF and AFFIA, will be the contact for AFFIA.

Action point: AD to prepare 2-3 slides on AFFIA for the 21/11 event in Brussels at IPIFF with NACIA and AAIS.

Action point: AD to represent AFFIA

11. Info on STM Novel Food. AETS got awarded with the Better Training for Safer Food Project funded by the EU, and the Thai office will take care of the Asian part. A STM

(sustain training mission) will be organized to support Thailand and especially ACFS in the preparation of a Novel Food dossier to register Crickets in the EU market and export in the future. NP is currently preparing the mission.

12. **Ideas** for next activities/work,etc? 2018 will see the organisation of an international event on insects, in the month of May.

Action point: A representative of AFFIA to approach the organiser to know what can be done.

At 12.00 Bangkok Time, the meeting was closed.

The President

The Secretary