



## **EURECHA: description and missions of the association**

The European Committee for the Use of Computers in Chemical Engineering Education - EURECHA - was established in 1976 to enable software for teaching and methods of computer aided teaching to be exchanged between universities in Europe. Its aims remain that of mutual assistance between universities at the teaching level, particularly those universities specialising in computer methods to assist those where computer specialisation is not to hand. EURECHA has currently an executive committee that considers projects which fit in the aims and objectives of the organisation. EURECHA has decided to focus on the following areas: Educational software, Tutorial case studies, Short courses/workshops, Educational sessions at Escape meetings and Questionnaires. One member of the executive committee is responsible for each of these activities.

### **Rules and regulations:**

1. EURECHA – The European Committee for the Use of Computers in Chemical Engineering Education is a non-profit making body devoted to the improvement of chemical engineering education through the use of computers. It is a society (Verein) and its legal status is defined by, and any conflicts are resolved according to Swiss Law.
2. Membership: Membership is open to any university department (or equivalent institution) which has an interest in education in chemical engineering or allied subjects.
3. Meetings: There should be an Annual General Meeting held yearly at which officers are elected and accounts presented. Special meetings can be called, or postal votes arranged, for any request supported by 20% or more of the voting members or by the Executive Committee.
4. Executive: The executive consists of a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, elected from the members. Elections for these offices are held every two years. Re-election is possible.
5. Quorum: For matters concerning finance and election of officers a majority vote at a EURECHA meeting is to be taken as binding, as long as at least 12 voting members, or 40% of the total membership (whichever is the smaller) attend the meeting. If this is not the case then a postal vote must be arranged. The same quorum conditions apply. In case of necessity, a postal vote can be held without having a meeting.
6. Subscription: The annual membership subscription is to be set by the Annual General Meeting. The executive committee has the right to waive the subscription fee for any member that it considers will have problems in finding or transferring such a fee.
7. Changes to the Constitution and Decisions concerning Liquidation: Require notification in writing 1 month (as defined by the postmark) before being handled at a meeting. The necessary quorum is defined by item 5. Any proposed changes must be supported by 2/3 of the votes cast to be accepted.
8. Accounts: Accounts must be presented to the members annually. One auditor appointed at the annual general meeting must audit the accounts and give his report following the presentation of accounts.
9. In the event of EURECHA going into liquidation – through a decision made at an Annual General Meeting (AGM) or through the inability to elect an Executive, then after settling all debts, any remaining EURECHA funds will be transferred to SEFI (Société Européenne de la Formation des Ingénieurs), based in Brussels.



## **Executive comitee:**

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