

General Assembly 2025 – Formal Business

General Assembly held at Raddison Blue Riga Conference and Spa Hotel, Riga, Latvia

Tuesday 20 May 2025
14.30 to 17.00 EEST

- Only Full Members who had paid their subscriptions by 09.00 EEST on 19 May 2025 have a voting right.
- Any Full Member unable to attend may give power of attorney to another Member, or the President, by choosing to assign a proxy.
- Vote conducted using ballot papers.
- Questions conducted via Sli.do or by raising of hand.

Minutes of the meeting

List of Attendees:

	Countries	Organisation	Status
1	Albania	State Authority for Geospatial Information	Eligible
2	Armenia	Cadastral Committee of the Republic of Armenia	Eligible
3	Austria	Federal Office of Metrology and Surveying	Eligible
4	Belgium	General Administration of Patrimonial Documentation - Belgium	Eligible
5	Belgium	National Geographic Institute	Eligible
6	Bosnia & Herzegovina	Federal Administration for Geodetic and Real Property Affairs	Eligible
7	Bulgaria	Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre Agency	Eligible
8	Croatia	State Geodetic Administration of the Republic of Croatia	Eligible
9	Cyprus	Cyprus Department of Lands and Surveys	Eligible
10	Czech Republic	Czech Office for Surveying, Mapping and Cadastre	Eligible
11	Denmark	Danish Geodata Agency	Eligible
12	Denmark	Agency for Climate Data	Eligible
13	Finland	National Land Survey of Finland	Eligible
14	France	National Institute of Geographic and Forest Information	Eligible
15	Georgia	National Agency of Public Registry	Eligible
16	Germany	Federal Agency for Cartography and Geodesy	Eligible
17	Great Britain	Ordnance Survey	Eligible
18	Greece	Hellenic Cadastre	Eligible
19	Greece	Hellenic Military Geographical Service	Eligible
20	Hungary	Lechner Non-Profit Ltd	Eligible

21	Iceland	National Land Survey of Iceland	Eligible
22	Ireland	Tailte Eirann	Eligible
23	Italy	Italian Geographic Military Institute	Eligible
24	*Kosovo	Kosovo Cadastral Agency	Eligible
25	Latvia	The State Land Service	Eligible
26	Latvia	Latvian Geospatial Information Agency	Eligible
27	Lithuania	National Land Service under the Ministry of Agriculture	Eligible
28	Lithuania	State Enterprise Centre of Registers	Eligible
29	Luxembourg	Administration of the Cadastre and Topography	Eligible
30	Malta	Malta Planning Authority - Malta	Eligible
31	Montenegro	Administration for Real Estate and for State Property	Eligible
32	Northern Ireland	Land and Property Services	Eligible
33	Norway	Norwegian Mapping Authority	Eligible
34	Republic of Moldova	Agency for Land Relations and Cadastre of the Republic of Moldova	Eligible
35	Poland	Head Office of Geodesy and Cartography	Eligible
36	Romania	National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registration of Romania	Eligible
37	Slovak Republic	Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre Authority of the Slovak Republic	Eligible
38	Slovenia	Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia	Eligible
39	Spain	National Geographic Institute of Spain	Eligible
40	Spain	General Directorate for the Cadastre	Eligible
41	Sweden	The Swedish Mapping, Cadastral and Land Registration Authority	Eligible
42	Switzerland	Federal Office of Topography	Eligible
43	The Netherlands	Cadastre, Land Registry and Mapping Agency	Eligible
44	Türkiye	General Directorate of Mapping	Eligible
Total number of votes of present and represented members: 107,5			

List of members who didn't vote:

	Countries	Organisation
1	Spain	Geographic High Council Territorial Commission GHC/TC-Spain
2	Portugal	Directorate General for Territory
3	Ukraine	State Service for Ukraine for Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre
Total number of votes of ineligible members: 6		

The formal business part of the General Assembly opened on Tuesday 20 May 2025 at 14.30 EEST. The meeting was chaired by Tomaž PETEK, President, EuroGeographics. Sallie PAYNE SNELL Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics, acted as the Secretary.

Agenda of Formal Business

1. Welcome and Management Board Report to the 2025 General Assembly
2. Description of the voting process
3. EuroGeographics AISBL 2024 Financial Report and Accounts
4. 2025 Operating Plan and Budget
5. End of the mandate of Management Board Candidates
6. Presentation of the Management Board Candidates
7. Membership Strategy
8. Results of the votes
9. Results of the vote for Resolution 1: Do you approve the 2024 Annual Accounts and agree to discharge the Administrators of their duties
10. Results of Resolution 2: Do you approve the 2025 Operating Plan
11. Results of Resolution 3. Do you approve the 2025 Budget
12. Election of Management Board members
13. Results of Resolution 4. Do you accept the Management Board recommendation on the Membership Strategy.
14. Election of the President of EuroGeographics AISBL
15. Composition of the Management Board of EuroGeographics AISBL
16. Looking forward to 2026
17. Close of the 2025 General Assembly

14.30 to 14.45

1. Management Board Report to the General Assembly

Pier-Giorgio Zaccheddu, Management Board Member, EuroGeographics presented the Management Board Report on activities carried out on members behalf since the 2024 General Assembly.

14.45 to 16.55: Formal Business

2. Description of voting process

Sallie Payne Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics explained the formal process of voting in accordance with the Articles of the Association.

Two independent member representatives volunteered to oversee and confirm the count before presenting the results to the Secretary General and Executive Director: Eydís Finnbogadóttir, The Natural Science Institute of Iceland and Robert Balanche, Federal Office of Topography swisstopo, Switzerland.

There were no questions.

3. EuroGeographics AISBL 2024 Financial Report and Accounts

Emilio López Romero, Treasurer, EuroGeographics presented the 2024 Financial Report and Accounts. He thanked Head Office for its work in preparing the accounts.

There were no questions.

4. The 2025 Operating Plan and Budget

Sallie Payne Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics presented the 2025 Operating Plan.

There were no questions.

Emilio López Romero, EuroGeographics Treasurer presented the 2025 Budget.

There were no questions.

5. End of the Mandate of Management Board members

In Compliance with article 11.2 of our by-laws. the General Assembly takes note of the end of the mandate of the following Board members with effect from 20 May 2025.

- Tomaž PETEK, Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia
- Suren TOVMASYAN, Cadastre Committee of the Republic of Armenia

6. Presentation of Management Board candidates

The Candidates for Management Board were presented to members by Sallie Payne Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics.

- Tomaž PETEK, Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia
- Suren TOVMASYAN, Cadastre Committee of the Republic of Armenia

Both were standing for re-election.

There were no questions.

7. Membership Strategy

Sallie Payne Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics presented the Membership Strategy, the aim of which is to revise the Articles of Association to promote membership growth and increase membership income by:

- Including an Observer category of membership.
- Including a clear definition of an Associate member.
- Removing the limit on 3 full members per country to unlimited full members per country
- Recalibrating the membership subscriptions based on the agreed principles stated in the paper, for implementation in 2027.
- Ensuring membership subscriptions are targeted to bring in €1.3M from 2027.

The Management Board recommended the General Assembly approves the membership strategy.

There was one question relating to whether full membership fees might be lower in the future if the observer category brought in more income than expected. Sallie Payne Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics answered that this was not possible to say because the possible income generated was not known (i.e. the number of observer members would not be determined until such time as the new strategy was in place and implemented).

15.45 to 16.10 Coffee Break

8. Results of the votes

Sallie Payne Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics announced the results of all of the votes.

9. Results of the vote for Resolution 1: Do you approve the 2024 Annual Accounts with the reserves increase from €732,676 to €764,802 at the end of 2024 and agree to discharge the Administrators of their duties

Members unanimously approved the 2024 Annual Accounts and agreed to discharge the Administrators (Management Board members and Secretary General) of their duties in 2024.

For: 107.5

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

44 member organisations were eligible to vote and 107.5 votes were received.

The result was announced by Sallie Payne-Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics having been verified by the independent member scrutineers Eydís Finnbogadóttir, The Natural Science Institute of Iceland and Robert Balanche, Federal Office of Topography swisstopo, Switzerland.

10. Results of Resolution 2: Do you approve the 2025 Operating Plan

Members approved the 2024 Operating Plan by a majority vote.

For: 107.5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

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11. Results of Resolution 3: Do you approve the 2025 Budget with the income of 1,507,692.74 and Expenditure of 1,491,000.00.

Members unanimously approved the 2025 Budget.

For: 107.5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

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12. Election of Management Board members

12a. Re-Election of Management Board members

Following the votes of present or represented members, the General Assembly takes note of the re-election of the following persons as members of the Management Board, with effect from 20 May 2025.

- Tomaž PETEK, Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia born on 1 October 1966, in Trbovlje (Slovenia)
- Suren TOVMASYAN, Cadastre Committee of the Republic of Armenia born on 2 January 1986 in Yerevan (Armenia)

The duration of the mandate of Management Board members is two years. The mandate of Tomaž PETEK, Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia, and Suren TOVMASYAN, Cadastre Committee of the Republic of Armenia will end at the General Assembly in 2027. The members of the Management Board exercise their mandate without remuneration.

The exact numbers of votes for each candidate is purposely not presented here, as this is the policy of EuroGeographics not to make publicly available this information for diplomatic reasons.

The result was announced by Sallie Payne-Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics having been verified by the independent member scrutineers Eydís Finnbogadóttir, The Natural Science Institute of Iceland and Robert Balanche, Federal Office of Topography swisstopo, Switzerland.

13. Results of Resolution 4. Do you accept the Management Board recommendation on the Membership Strategy.

Members accepted the Membership Strategy by a majority vote.

For: 92.5

Against: 3

Abstained: 10.5

44 member organisations were eligible to vote and 106 votes were received.

The result was announced by Sallie Payne-Snell, Secretary General and Executive Director, EuroGeographics having been verified by the independent member scrutineers Eydís Finnbogadóttir, The Natural Science Institute of Iceland and Robert Balanche, Federal Office of Topography swisstopo, Switzerland.

14. Election of the President of EuroGeographics AISBL

The Candidate for President: Tomaž PETEK from the Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia, was presented to members by Sallie Payne Snell Secretary General and Executive Director.

Following the votes of present or represented members, the General Assembly takes note of the election of the following person as President of EuroGeographics AISBL, with effect from 20 May 2025.

- Tomaž PETEK, born on 1 October 1966, in Trbovlje (Slovenia)

15. Composition of Management Board of EuroGeographics AISBL

- Tomaž PETEK, President, from the Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia until the end of his term in 2027.
- Nicolas PAPARODITIS , Vice President from the National Institute of Geographic and Forest Information, France.
- Emilio López ROMERO, Treasurer from the National Geographic Institute of Spain Agency until the end of his term in 2026.
- Hannah COOK from the Norwegian Mapping Authority until the end of her term in 2026.
- Matt GOODMAN from Ordnance Survey, Great Britain.
- Col. Martins LIBERTS from the Latvian Geospatial Information Agency until the end of his term in 2026.
- Cora SMELIK from The Netherlands' Cadastre, Land Registry and Mapping Agency until the end of her term in 2026.
- Suren TOVMASYAN from the Cadastre Committee of the Republic of Armenia until the end of his term in 2027.
- Pier-Giorgio ZACCHEDDU from the Federal Agency for Cartography and Geodesy, Germany.

16. Looking forward to 2026

Ingrid VANDEN BERGHE Director General, NGI Belgium presented the venue for the 2026 General Assembly in Ostend, Belgium.

17. Close of the 2025 General Assembly

All topics covered, the President, Tomaž PETEK closed the EuroGeographics' 2025 General Assembly at 16.55 EEST



Tomaž PETEK
President