

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2015

1. AGM and conference: Brussels, Thursday 28 May and Friday 29 May

This date might be a surprise to some of you, because we did mention another date in the previous newsletter. Due to organisational matters, we had to move to 28th and 29th of May.

The city stays the same: Europe's capital city, Brussels. On both days we'll meet in The International Press Centre, Résidence Palace, Wetstraat 155 block C, 1040 Brussels.

Mark these days in your agenda and make sure you'll be present at our 2015 AGM and Conference during which we'll celebrate our 25th anniversary.

All information about the registration, exact venue, hotels, gala dinner, etc. will soon be published on the conference website and on www.ejta.eu. Keep a close watch on the website and on your mail.

Since we have limited capacity for the AGM and dinner, we hope everybody understands we have to restrict the number of participants. For the AGM on 28/5 we can manage two delegates per EJTA member and for the gala dinner we can offer two free registrations per member. If you want to invite more people from your institute to the dinner, we'll have to charge them a fee of € 50.

The documents and agenda for the AGM will be sent to every member by the beginning of April.

2. News from the EJTA Board

The Board had a meeting on 12 and 13 February.

Points discussed:

- AGM 28 May 2015
- Anniversary Conference 29 May 2015
- FEJS
- New members
- Research project
- Secretariat
- Finances
- Communication

Questions / topics you want to put on the next Board agenda? Please let us know.

3. EJTA secretariat

To our great satisfaction, the EJTA secretariat has been located for six months now in Mechelen with the head of the secretariat Leen Van Tolhuysen.

This semester (spring 2015) Leen is again assisted by a team of Flemish Office Management students and by an exchange student.

Right now, the secretariat is working hard on a new version of our website so we can better

inform and interact with all of you.

If you need to contact the secretariat, please send a mail to: info@ejta.eu

4. Invoices 2015

Membership fees for 2015 were sent out by e-mail by the beginning of December 2014. Paper copies were NOT sent and will only be sent on request. That is probably why some members didn't pay the membership fee for 2015 yet.

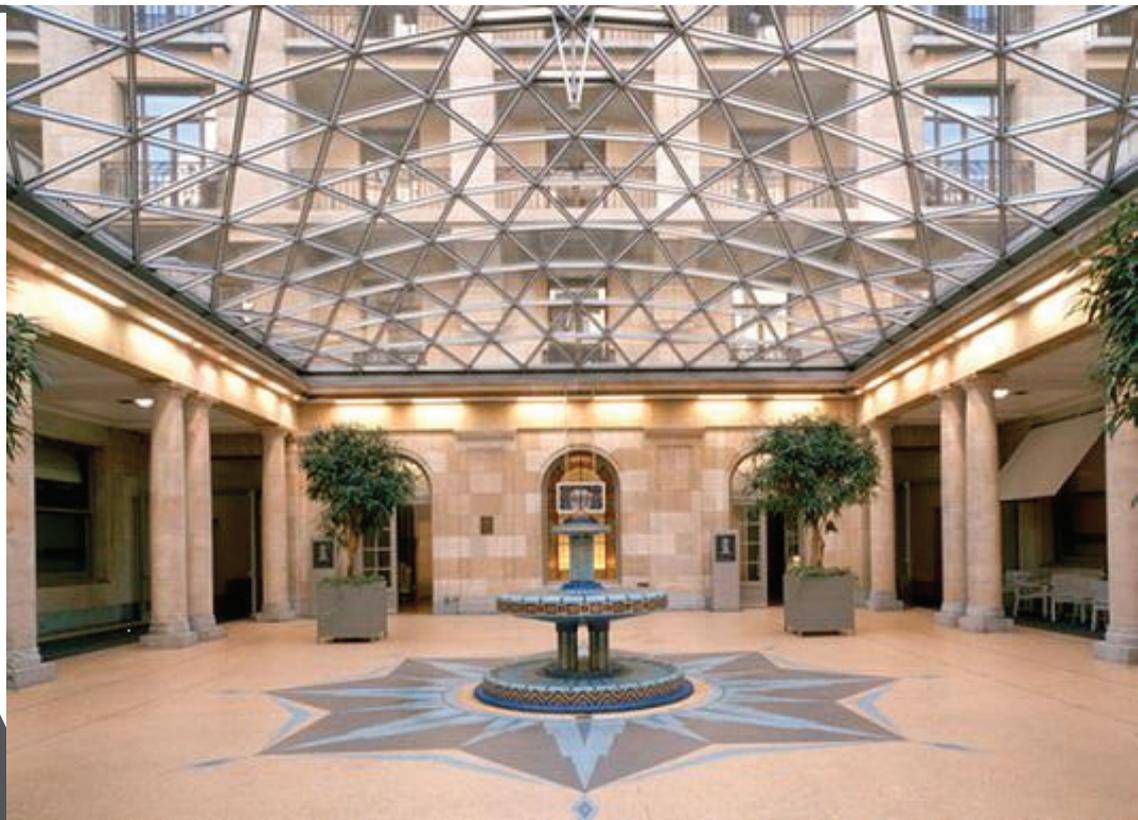
Even when you're not the responsible person for financial matters in your school or institute, would you please check whether your school or institute has paid? And if not, please make sure you won't end up on top of our 'blacklist' of non-payers, which we have to make public during our AGM.

5. Research questionnaire

Maria Lukina, the Board Member responsible for EJTA research projects, is starting a new project within EJTA member schools' 'Mapping Journalism Education Research'.

Therefore, you can expect an email from her with a research questionnaire by March 21st (consider this your first spring gift!).

IPC, Brussels



Please make sure this questionnaire is filled in by your research colleagues (or yourself) and send it back to Maria Lukina.

6. EJTA's 25th anniversary publication

To celebrate our 25th anniversary, we hope to publish a modest jubilee booklet. International students will work on this and contact EJTA members in order to interview them, to ask for spicy and juicy details or to learn something about EJTA's history.

You can expect an email or phone call from Kara Digby, a English exchange student at AP University College or Veera Priha, a Finnish exchange student at Thomas More University College.

Do handle them with care and please provide them with the required input.

7. New and old Board members

After two years of faithful service, President Nico Drok and Board members Deborah Wilson David and Nadia Vissers are quite willing to serve you all for two more years on the EJTA Board. That is why we suggest a re-election for all three of them.

Of course, if members want to stand up against them for election for the Board, they are kindly invited to announce this and send a mail to Nico Drok.

8. Conference 'Re-inventing Journalism', Winterthur, 5-6 February 2015

Two Board Members were present at the conference 'Re-inventing Journalism,' organised by EJTA member, Zurich University of Applied Sciences, chaired by Vinzenz Wyss.

We received useful information on current research studies and results from journalism

scholars, heard inspiring keynote speeches, had fruitful discussions about re-thinking journalism education, met quite some EJTA members and could convince some schools and institutes to consider EJTA membership.

9. Upcoming events

FEJS conference 2015

16-21 April 2015, Athens, registrations open: www.fejsint.org

EJTA Teachers' conference 2015

November 2015, exact day to be confirmed, University of Milan

ECREA conference 2015

5-6 March 2015, Trier

EJTA AGM 2016

3rd or 4th week of May 2016, Tbilisi, Caucasus School of Journalism and Media Management

EJTA Teachers' conference 2016

3rd or 4th week of October 2016, Université Paris-Dauphine, Paris