

# **2010 European Annual General Meeting (EAGM)**

## ***Milan, Italy – 27 & 28 November 2010***

### ***Summary Report***

The chairman and class representatives of the countries of the European Region of the Laser Class Association met in Milan for the annual two day meeting to discuss the activities and developments of Laser sailing in Europe.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman for the European Region were both successfully re-elected. Luc Dumonceau (Master's coordinator) remains in his role leading the European Masters through another exciting year of sailing.

Following an interesting discussion about development of the Laser class in Europe, it was agreed that Elena Papazoglou (Women's coordinator) and Zlatko Jakelic (Laser 4.7 & Youth coordinator) will be joined in a working group by Dorothy Beadsworth (GBR), Macrino Macri (ITA), Ron Barak (ISR) and Ron Hutchieson (IRL). The working group chaired and led by Calle Lindfors will work through 2011 identifying key areas for development and progression in the European Laser Class and putting into action initiatives before the next EAGM meeting.

The Executive were happy to report that the financial position through 2010 was significantly better than in 2009 with the European Laser Class generating a small surplus of £5,182 GBP. The positive change was a result of the increased entry fee to the European Championships and the tight control on costs applied throughout 2010. The European Laser Class now holds in reserves £44,981, which is approximately €52,627. The budget and forecast for the next 2 years expects the class to show a small surplus in 2011 as there are fewer European championships but this will be balanced by the forecast larger surplus in 2012.

It was announced in the meeting that Zac Hillier, Operations Manager at the ILCA office shall unfortunately be leaving the ILCA team next year. Due to this change in the ILCA office the proposed systems for the registration and entry of the Europa Cup and the Euro Masters Series have been deferred for consideration in 2011.

Following the new procedure for selection of championships, the meeting short-listed 3 venues, where possible, for each championship. Each venue will be inspected during 2011 with reports produced and reviewed at the next EAGM before a selection of the preferred venue is made for each championship. The shortlists:

#### **2013 European Laser 4.7 Championship**

Mornar Split, Croatia

#### **2013 European Laser Youth Championships (Radial Boys & Girls & Standard Youth)**

Gdynia, Poland

Balatonfüred, Hungary

Dun Laoghaire, Ireland

#### **2013 European Laser Senior Championships (Radial Men & Women & Standard Seniors)**

Gdynia, Poland

Balatonfüred, Hungary

Mornar Split, Croatia

#### **2013 European Laser Masters Championship**

Royal Swedish Yacht Club, Sweden

Puck, Poland

Balatonfüred, Hungary

Calle Lindfors, thanked the Italian Laser Class for providing a well organised and great meeting venue, Laser Performance for their support throughout 2010 and finally thanked the many national Laser Class officers present for all their efforts and hard work as volunteers each year.

The next EAGM is scheduled for 26 & 27 November 2011 in Tallin, Estonia.