



EuroFM Fact sheet

Mission

The EuroFM (European Facility Management Network) mission is the advancement of knowledge in Facility Management in Europe and its application in Practice, Education and Research.

The Network

EuroFM started as a network in 1987. The European Facility Management Network was founded in 1993 as an association under Dutch law.

The Board

The EuroFM board as at March 2009, consists of 7 representatives of the EuroFM members:

- Mr. Albert Pilger – chairman (FMA Austria)
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- Mr. Wayne Tantrum – vice-chairman (Interserve UK); wayne.tantrum@interserve.com
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- Mr. Ole Emil Malmstrøm – secretary/treasurer (DFM, Denmark)
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- Ms. Helena Ohlsson – board member/PNG Chairman (IFMA Sweden)
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- Dr. Margaret Nelson – board member/RNG Chairman (University of Bolton, UK)
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- Mr. René Hermans – board member/ENG Chairman (NHTV Breda, the Netherlands)
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- Mr. Gordon C. McMillan – board member/Corporate Associates Chairman (GSK London, UK)
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EuroFM chairs since the start of the network:

- Mr. Bart Bleker was the first Chairman (1987 - 1990)
- Prof. Keith Alexander - UK (1990 - 2000)
- Mr. Lionel Progdgers - UK (2000 - 2004)
- Mr. Jose Garcia Cuartero – Spain (2005-2007)
- Mr. Albert MM Pilger – Austria (2008 – up to now)

The members

EuroFM has 87 members in three categories:

- 32 National Associations
- 40 Research/Educational Organisations
- 15 Corporate Associates

EuroFM Network Groups

The three Network Groups Practice, Education, and Research are the life-blood of the association, and are the focus for all members' activities and initiatives. One of the association's objectives is to be "the hub of FM research". High quality research output is generated through the close cooperation and interaction between the network groups. Each member organisation is able to belong to any one (or more) of the Network Groups, according to their interest and/or resource. However, in so electing, they commit to fully participate and support the work of the groups to which they belong. Each group has a committee of voluntary representatives with an identified Leader responsible for facilitating the network activities.

Practice Network Group (PNG)

The Practice Network Group plays a leading role in bringing together the national organisations representing practitioners in FM to form a European body of FM professionals. One of the most prominent objectives is to improve the performance of business/companies and help organisations to be more productive, effective and creative as a result of continuous professional developments within the EuroFM network.

Research Network Group (RNG)

The Research Network Group (RNG) has members from academia and practice, though mostly from research and educational institutions. Close cooperation with practice and education ensures high quality research and development work relevant both to the needs of the industry and the advancement of the discipline. Projects typically focus on the value adding activities of FM to core business; and include strategy, processes; people, operations and technology.

Education Network Group (ENG)

The Education Network Group consists of educators, students and people with an educational interest in academic tuition as well as training for FM practice. The ENG organises at the annual EuroFM conference the student Poster session and the election of the best FM student of the year. The members discuss developments in Bachelor and Master education and exchange ideas about the required competencies of (future) Facility Managers. The Education Guide and the Exchange Database of EuroFM underline and support the cooperation between the educational institutes.

Corporate Associates

The Corporate Associates form a special category, they are seen as supporters of EuroFM and it's common interests; and play an active role in the activities and projects of the different network groups. The Associates represent commercial organisations and deal with products within the field of Facility Management; and are operating preferably on a national or international level. For reasons of continuity, or business development, they do R&D (research and development) on FM related subjects and associated activities. They also have good relations with educational institutes to support the teaching of FM in the broadest sense. The corporate associates have the same benefits as all other members and they are represented in the Board.

European Conference and EuroFM Meetings

Each year EuroFM and IFMA organise the European Facility Management Conference (EFMC), the main FM conference and research symposium in Europe. The EFMC 2009 will take place on June 16 and 17 in Amsterdam (www.efmc2009.com). The EFMC 2010 will take place in June in Madrid, Spain.

The next EuroFM Meetings are: September 10–12 2009 in Copenhagen; January 21-23 2010 in Groningen, The Netherlands ; and September 23-25 2010 in Lisbon (www.eurofm.org)

European FM Insight

In 2006, EuroFM launched European FM Insight (eFMi), an electronic based magazine about developments in Facility Management. EuroFM joins forces with 23 publication partners to produce this publication. eFMi is distributed all over Europe, the USA, Australia and Japan. More information and registration to receive free copies of eFMi, four times a year, directly into your mailbox is to be found on the homepage of EuroFM www.eurofm.org.

Projects

EuroFM initiates several projects each year. In 2007 a very interesting project was the realisation of the European FM Education Guide. This guide gives an overview of European education on FM. More information about EuroFM projects and the EuroFM Education guide (available as a downloadable pdf-document) can be found at the EuroFM website. The Education Guide 2009 will be published and available as from June 2009.

More information

Are you interested in EuroFM as a member, to receive our publications, or to find out in what way you could be involved in one of our projects? Please contact our Association Manager Mr. Jurjen Kor at eurofm@eurofm.org.

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