

MINUTES of the SOCIETY OF MINERAL MUSEUM PROFESSIONALS  
General Meeting, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Munich Mineral Show

Meeting called to order by Mike Rumsey, who co-chaired the meeting with Alan Hart and Raquel Alonso-Perez. Raquel Alonso-Perez minuted the meeting.

- 1- Introduction of everyone – a total of 27 participants
- 2- A thank you to Chris Keilmann, Munich Show organizer, for his support to Museums and the providing the SMMP meeting room. Chris would like to work closely with the SMMP members and the community with the following ideas:
  - Support letters for the mineral pavilion
  - Museum booth – with information of each museum and our core values
  - SMMP exhibit case
  - List of Museums
  - Meet the Curator – activities run already at the Denver show and highly successful
  - Cristiano Ferraris “teach during the show”
  - Meeting point – Museum booth – of temporary flyers with information about the museums
  - ½ special exhibit tour during the Munich show to increase visibility of Museums
  - Reserve a space for future SMMP meetings
  - Get dealers involved with SMMP to support their museum efforts
- 3- SMMP/IMA-CM meeting
  - Federico Pezzotta said that in the past museums gathered at the “Museum Meeting” and both groups, SMMP and IMA-CM, would come together to talk. There was no reason to transform the SMMP/IMA-CM meeting into a unique SMMP meeting since IMA-CM members are all SMMP members
  - Announced that the next IMA meeting will be in Melbourne in 2018
  - Roles of both groups, SMMP and IMA-CM, were explained and it was agreed unanimously to host from now on a joint Munich meeting called “Museum Meeting” where both SMMP and IMA-MC would have separate presentations.
- 4- European/international museum presence in Tucson and US customs/taxes hamper the ability to participate. The suggestion is to invite Peter Megaw to our next SMMP meeting in Tucson to talk about how we can bring them, even if in alternating years and solving the issue of “loans to TGMS”.
- 5- Museum gathering/social night at La Posada hotel as a social evening for museum people on Monday or Tuesday (Feb 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>) before setting up in Tucson.
- 6- Announcement of Dr. Kim Tait, ROM as new Secretary of IMA-CM
- 7- Vice-chairman position of IMA-CM is open and will be posted and shared with the community soon.

8- Mindat Announcement: All mineral museums should provide an updated web link to Mindat.

9- Museum Gallery News: New mineral galleries are opening in Milan and in Luxembourg.

Participant list:

Mike Rumsey: Natural History Museum, London, UK (IMA-CM representative, UK)  
Alan Hart: Gem-A, London, UK  
Federico Pezzotta: Natural History Museum, Milan, Italy (IMA-CM Chair)  
Tom Costes: Mindat, London, UK  
Joylon Ralph: Mindat, London, UK  
Christian Mavris: Mindat, London, UK  
Jörgen Langhof: Natural History Museum at Sweden, Stockholm, Sweden (IMA-CM representative, Sweden)  
Robin Hansen: Natural History Museum, London, UK  
Pierre J. Chiappero: MNHN, Paris, France  
Jean-Claude Boulliard: Sorbonne Collection, Paris, France  
François Vigouroux: Museum des Confluences, Lyon, France  
Christiano Ferraris: MNHN, Paris, France  
Alessandro Guastoni: Museum of Mineralogy, University of Padova, Italy  
Andreas Massanek: Technische Universität Bergakademie, Freiberg, Germany  
Christina Seifert: Terra Mineralia, Technische Universität Bergakademie, Freiberg, Germany  
Kay Schürmann: Museum of Mineralogy, University/EOST, Strasbourg, France  
Peter Lyckberg: MNHN, Luxembourg  
Philippo Simon: MNHN, Luxembourg  
Susanne Herting-Agthe : Mineral Collections (Museum) TU, Berlin, Germany  
Birgit Kreher-Hartmann: Mineralogy Museum, Friedrich Schiller University Jena, Jena, Germany  
Peter Davidson: National Museums Scotland (IMA-CM outgoing Secretary & Webmaster)  
Brian Jackson: National Museums Scotland  
Giovanni Pratesi: University Firenze (IMA-CM representative, Italy)  
Natalya Hermenau: Gübelin Gem Lab, Lucerne, Switzerland  
Christop Keilmann: The Munich show, Munich, Germany  
Gian Carlo Parodi: MNHN, Paris, France (IMA-CM representative, France)  
Raquel Alonso-Perez: MGMH, Harvard University, USA