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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Barcelona

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Welcome and Apologies

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Agenda of the meeting

1 **WELCOME**

2 **PRESENTATION OF THE NEW UTIPULP SECRETARY**

3 **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 19. 2013** (Lisbon)

4 **GENERAL TRADE RULES** (update, next steps)

5 **OTHER DOSSIERS** (Timber regulation, ISO standardisation, sulphur regulation)

6 **MARKET SITUATION**

7 **INTERNAL MATTERS**

8 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

9 **DATE AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

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Presentation of the New UTIPULP Secretary

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Approval of the previous meeting minutes

The previous meeting was held in Lisbon on April 19th, 2013

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General Trade Rules

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General Trade rules for woodpulp

- **Update of the discussions**
- **Next steps**

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Other dossiers

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EU Timber Regulation / Difficulties encountered

- **Companies have to fulfil this regulation as of 4th March this year**

- **Guidelines have been circulated by the Commission**

- **CEPI legal analysis considers these Guidelines illegal on one topic (the due diligence should not apply to a company ordering the import of market pulp but not placing this pulp on the market)**

Tentative ISO standardisation on the Chain of Custody

- **ISO might start to develop a standard on the Chain of Custody**
- **CEPI recommends that this standard is in line with those of PEFC and FSC**
- **PEFC and FSC oppose this new standard**
- **Standardisation is a long process (3 to 5 years before this standard is applicable)**

Regulation on sulphur of maritime fuels

- **A new directive (2012/33/EU) on marine fuel sulphur content entered into force on 17 December 2012**
- **The objective of this directive is to address the problem of air pollution from maritime transport by lowering sulphur emissions**
- **Therefore, low sulphur contents in marine fuel will be compulsory as of January 1st 2015**
- **This directive applies to all boats in the Baltic Sea, the North Sea and the English Channel**
- **Because of the lack of low sulphur fuel and technical devices that could lead to actual reduction of sulphur emissions, the implementation of the directive is expected to have an estimated increase in shipping costs of 20-45% further to a 50-80% price increase in marine fuels.**

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- **Comments on Timo Teräs and Ole Terland presentations**

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Internal matters

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Executive Committee members

Decision of the General Assembly in Lisbon

Victor KAMM, Chairman	**Belgium**
Luigi ASTENGO	**Italy**
Paul BARTMANN	**Austria**
Bernhard BECK	**Germany**
John GOVIER	**United Kingdom**
Jean-Olivier ROUSSAT	**France**
Norman SNEL	**The Netherlands**

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UTIPULP Statistics

- **AF&PA has not sent statistics on pulp consumption since November 2012**

- **UTIPULP secretariat asked AF&PA when the statistics will be available**

- **UTIPULP secretariat received the following answer :**

“ The report you refer to is under internal review and we do not have an updated publication. We will certainly send you updated data if it becomes available” signed Karen Hibdon (Director, Statistical Programs)

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Keypoints of the Paper Industry

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UTIPULP website : New login and password

- New password and user name as from October 1st, 2013 :
- Identifier or user name : **utipulp** Password : **pu007lp**

Any other business

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Date and place of the next meeting

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Date and location of the previous meetings

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