Report of EC meeting in October 2010 in Milan

EAWOP’s Executive Committee (EC) met and discussed a number of issues in their meeting in October:

- There was good progress in the development of the next congress in Maastricht on the topic of “Decent work”. Pre-congress workshops will be held on Wednesday 25 May 2011 with the congress opening on Thursday 26 May. The General Assembly (GA) will be held at the end of Thursday and the Congress dinner at the end of Friday (?). For the first time there will be a one-day registration for Friday’s programme. Science and Practice will be strong themes throughout the Congress with each day ending with a summary discussion between academics and practitioners.

- There will be two vacancies for members of the EC in May 2011 and nominations are requested to be sent to the General Secretary, Henry Honkanen 60 days before the GA.

- The new website is “work in progress” and material is being populated into the various domains. Membership will be managed by a payment system and there will be online access to EAWOP’s journals.

- The Constituent group continues to grow with four new members joining the existing nineteen following the GA.

- Two Small Group Meetings (SGMs) will be running in 2011 and one in 2012. Bids of SGMs are sorted for 2013 and should be sent to Ana Passos.

- The EC are working with members of SIOP and IAAP to develop a worldwide Alliance that will be beneficial for all members.

- A successful Summer School for young researchers was held earlier this year and the next event is planned in the Summer of 2012 hosted by Martin Kleinmann. The EC wish to hold a similar workshop event for Practitioners next summer and will be canvassing members for their views and suggestions.

- The Advanced European Diploma is progressing and EAWOP is working with EFPA to develop short pilots to evaluate the process and its regulation.

- The next meeting of the EC will be with Constituents in Maastricht on 25 May, 2011 and the first meeting of the new EC will be in June 2011.