



Gas Processors  
Association Europe

**GPA Europe Ltd Annual General Meeting  
Thursday 18 November 2021 @ 12:00pm GMT**

*TEAMS*

**1. Call to Order**

The AGM was called to order at 12:05pm by Chairperson, Gary Bowerbank. He welcomed the members present to the Annual General Meeting of GPA Europe Ltd.

The following officers were present:

Chairperson	Gary Bowerbank
Deputy Chairperson	Myrian Schenk
Secretary	Samantha Nicholson

34 voting members of GPA Europe were in attendance when the meeting was called to order by the Chairperson.

**2. Apologies and Proxy Votes Received**

No proxy votes were received.

Apologies for Absence was received from our Treasurer, Martin Mayer.

**3. Adoption of the Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting**

The Minutes of the 2020 AGM were distributed by email before the AGM and were available at the start of the AGM.

Gary Bowerbank proposed that the minutes from the 2020 AGM be accepted as distributed. There were no votes against or abstentions, the motion was passed unanimously.

**4. GPAE Treasurer's Report**

Helen Hall presented a financial summary for 2020 on behalf of Martin Mayer.

**a. Vote: Adoption of the GPA Europe Ltd Financial Statement for year ending 31 December 2020. The Financial Statement was unanimously accepted. See Attachment 2**

- i. Sandy Dunlop expressed concern that the Financial Statement was not circulated prior to the meeting. If any member has any questions or comments on the Financial Statement in Attachment 2, please contact Helen Hall on [admin@gpaeurope.com](mailto:admin@gpaeurope.com). We will ensure Financial Statements will be circulated alongside the agenda going forward.

**b. Vote: To approve the appointment of Darren Cooper of A. Allen & Son as the Auditors for the 2020 Financial Statement. There were no votes against or abstentions, the motion was passed unanimously.**

**5. GPAE Chairperson's Report**

Gary Bowerbank presented the Chairperson's report for the past year. See Attachment 1.

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## 6. Election of the Management Committee for 2021 to 2022

### a. **Vote: To accept the Office Bearers nominated and recommended by the Management Committee for 2021 to 2022**

Chairperson:	Gary Bowerbank (Shell Global Solutions)
Deputy Chairperson:	Myrian Schenk (TechnipEnergies)
Secretary:	Samantha Nicholson (Fluor Ltd)
Treasurer:	Martin Mayer (McDermott)

There were no votes against or abstentions, the motion was passed unanimously.

### b. **Vote: To accept the nomination and recommendations of the Management Committee with regards to the Management Committee members for 2021 to 2022**

For the year 2022, the nominations for the GPA Europe Ltd. Management Committee are:

Having served four years as members of the Management Committee the following members are due for Re-election and have indicated willingness to continue as part of the Committee:

- Gary Bowerbank
- Sandy Dunlop
- Matt Park
- Myrian Schenk

The Management Committee has been advised that the following people will be resigning their role as Management Committee members, with the following replacements:

- Christian Bladanet of Technip Energies is resigning and will be replaced by Julie Gouriou of TechnipEnergies
- Steven Langley of Cameron, A Schlumberger Company is resigning and will be replaced by David Knight of Cameron, A Schlumberger Company
- Claire Weiss, TotalEnergies is resigning and will be replaced by Bénédicte Poulain of TotalEnergies
- Tony Wimpenny of Orbital Gas Systems is resigning and will be replaced by Glen Lancaster of Orbital Gas Systems

#### **Other Members Resigning:**

The Management Committee has been advised that the following people will be resigning their role as Management Committee members, with no replacement proposed:

- Jason Frost of Aker Solutions
- Claire Haycock of Sulzer

The Management Committee thanks each of these individuals for their longstanding commitment to GPA Europe and their continuing support.

Subject to Elections and Resignations as above, the following members will make up the GPA Europe Ltd Management Committee for 2021 to 2022. Those indicated in Bold are also Directors of GPA Europe Ltd.

Name	Company	Country
Javier Alfonzo	Petrofac Engineering Ltd	UK
Manuela Arriata	Axens	France
Bénédicte Poulain	TotalEnergies	France
<b>Gary Bowerbank</b>	<b>Shell Global Solutions</b>	<b>Netherlands</b>
<b>Martin Copp</b>	<b>Parker Hannifin - PECO</b>	<b>UK</b>
<b>Sandy Dunlop</b>	<b>Dunlop Administrators</b>	<b>UK</b>
Adrian Finn	Costain	UK
Adriano Gentilucci	Dow	Switzerland
Fiona George	Worley - Comprimo	UK
Julie Gouriou	Technical Energies	France
Paul Hudson	Johnson Matthey	UK
Peter Hunt	ABB	UK
David Knight	Schlumberger	UK
Glen Lancaster	Orbital Gas Systems	UK
<b>Martin Mayer</b>	<b>McDermott</b>	<b>UK</b>
<b>Samantha Nicholson</b>	<b>Fluor Ltd</b>	<b>UK</b>
<b>Steve O'Donnell</b>	<b>Oil and Gas Systems Ltd</b>	<b>UK</b>
Matt Park	Bechtel Ltd	UK
Gauthier Perdu	TechnipEnergies	France
Myrian Schenk	TechnipEnergies	UK
Howard Secker	Honeywell UOP	UK
<b>Sigbjørn Svenes</b>	<b>Equinor</b>	<b>Norway</b>
Sulaiman Syed	BP	UK
<b>Keith Thomas</b>	<b>Consultant</b>	<b>Germany</b>
<b>Gerald Vorberg</b>	<b>BASF SE</b>	<b>Germany</b>
Phil Walsh	McDermott	UK

**Ex-Officio Members of the Management Committee:**

Technical Committee Chairperson: Javier Alfonzo (Petrofac Engineering Ltd)  
 Past Chairperson: Martin Copp (Parker Hannifin - PECO)

Young Professional Sub-Committee will be represented by a member of the sub-committee on a rotating basis.

The Management Committee of GPA Europe Ltd. meets four times a year and is charged with supporting the Board of GPA Europe Ltd in managing the activities of the organisation.

All the above nominations were unanimously accepted.

**7. Discussion of items raised by Members in advance**

None

**8. Any Other Business**

None

## **9. Adjournment**

The meeting was formally adjourned by the 2021/2022 Chairperson, Gary Bowerbank, at 12:48pm GMT.

### Attachments:

1. Chairperson's Report
2. Financial Statement 2020

## Attachment 1

### GPA Europe Chairperson's Annual Report – 2021

We will spend a few minutes looking back at the past year of 2021.

Our event year started with our Virtual Event Series which started in September of 2020. We had another 6 90-minute virtual events offered free to our GPA Europe members. These were extremely well attended, by both members and non-members. The first couple of sessions were our traditional topics and knowledge sharing, including an interactive seminar from Martin Copp where we were able to use the different features of TEAMS, including Polls. Our final couple of sessions touched upon the future energy areas, themes which come throughout the rest of the year and will be with us for the foreseeable future.

Then we come onto our first full virtual conference. The topic of our first 2-day virtual conference, Future of Gas, could not have been more relevant with announcements at the time involving many of the major IOCs that clearly show a desire and need to embrace the Energy Transition and lower society's Net CO<sub>2</sub> Footprint.

We kicked off both days of the conference with a keynote address.

David Simmonds, former GPA Europe Chairperson opened day 1 of our conference and presented on "Future Energy - Challenges for the Regulator". David has since uploaded his presentation to YouTube and can be watched there.

Jean-Francois Cam, Integration and Stakeholder Manager from Equinor kick started day 2 and gave a talk on "Northern Lights – developing the world's first open-source CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage infrastructure". Jean-Francois's presentation emphasised the importance and our link to the CO<sub>2</sub> and the energy transition, being the front and centre of what we are doing and what will become the way forward for our industry.

Our Workshop opened with grounding presentations on an Overview of the European Gas Industry by Adrienne Blume from Gulf Energy Information and a look at the Shell Energy Transition Scenario by Ren Xianfang from Shell and how gas is still needed for the foreseeable future.

There was a clear take away from these presentations that we all understand there is a need to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. How quickly we get there and what level we get to is up for debate and all these scenarios and projections will take us in different directions. For our industry, it is clear that in the short to medium term there is a strong demand for Natural Gas.

The Workshop threw up more questions than answers...

Linking to the energy transition period in the conference we touched on some of the main leavers at our disposal; Hydrogen (Blue, Green and a few new colours), CCSU (the need to lower costs and demonstrate it is sustainable) and Biogas (a perhaps under-utilised resource). Some of these areas might still be considered to be non-traditional gas processing, but ultimately it doesn't matter where the molecule comes from it still needs processing, conditioning, transportation, purification. These sessions brought some new players to GPA Europe with first time presenters.

The future of gas is quite a challenge, the world's population is continuing to grow, and we are already seeing a rise in energy demands. Companies within the Gas Processing Industry are having to adapt to this, their business models, products, and services. This conference gave us insight into interesting areas which are not the traditional Gas Processing focus. We have seen how Europe is leading the way in Hydrogen – cutting edge of the energy transition. Something we can hopefully take back to our GPA Chapters. We also saw big learning curves within the Biogas session with technical challenges in terms of scale up, processing sections which needs to be required and treating. An area we can really develop going forward.

In recent months we have seen the importance of our industry being highlighted in both the escalating costs of wholesale gas prices as well as the impact we can have on the Net Zero targets. By working together, learning from each other and investing in the right areas I am confident we can meet the energy demands of the future without compromising the present. At GPA Europe we continue to enable this by connecting the tradition Gas Processing sectors with the emerging Future Energy businesses. October saw the first of our New Energy Webinars which we will continue throughout 2022. A half day webinar organised by our KSI New Energy Groups, bringing in new presenters.

A look ahead to next year, we will be hosting more Virtual Webinars on the future energy areas, as well as 2 face to face conferences, if times allow. In May we will be looking at hosting a 1-day Conference & Workshop in London linked to the Roadmap for the Transition. In November we will be looking at hosting a 3-day conference in Paris which will consist of our Young Professional Training Day, Annual Conference and AGM. Our call for papers is open and you can be part of these conferences promoting a new energy future and the transition of our industry towards that future. We are looking for stories about the development of technology and best practices affecting Natural Gas processing. As well as a look at Hydrogen, Biogas, Ammonia, Carbon Capture and Storage, and LNG amongst others, to inspire the gas processing community.

Our Key Strategic Initiative Groups continue to be extremely active; we aim to bring you more virtual webinars in 2022; we have the New Specialist Directory to help our members connect to each other, as we continue to work through our targets developed within our Roadmap. So do keep checking the website and follow GPA Europe on LinkedIn to keep up to date with all the events and activities. There is a lot of work in the background from our groups, they are giving up their own time in what is a busy period for our industry. If you are interested in supporting any of these groups, who meet every couple of months, then please do let myself or Helen know.

A big thank you to the Management Committee of GPA Europe. All of these people are volunteers and willingly give up their time so that the organisation exists. It's not easy to fit all of the work required to do this in with a day job, family time and personal time.

I would also like to extend a thank you all for your continued support of our organisation. Without your membership and attendance at our conferences, the organisation would not exist.

**Gary Bowerbank**  
GPA Europe Chairperson



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## **Attachment 2**

### **Financial Statement – 2020 Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 GPA Europe Limited**

#### **REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTANTS**

##### ***A. Allen & Son Limited***

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies

The financial statements set out for the year ended 31st December 2020 have been prepared from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied by GPA Europe Limited.

**On behalf of the GPA Europe Limited Board**

**Martin Mayer  
Director and Treasurer of GPA Europe Ltd**



### Income and Expenditure Account

	2020	2019
	£	£
Turnover	53,902	234,669
Cost of Sales	2,211	121,215
Gross Surplus	51,691	113,454
Admin Expenses	72,564	80,788
Operating (Loss)/Surplus	(20,873)	32,666
Interest Received	707	1,260
(Loss)/Surplus for the Year	(20,166)	33,926

### Income and Expenditure Summary

<b>Subscriptions</b>		£40,938
Debtors (2020 conference costs paid in 2019)		£26,211
Creditors (2021 subscriptions paid in 2020)		£13,521
<b>Conferences</b>		
Virtual Autumn Conference	Income	£917
<b>GPA Office</b>		£59,242
<b>Publicity (In Brief + Website)</b>		£5,769
<b>Sundry costs</b>		£4,294



## Balance Sheet

	2020	2019
	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS (Intangible)</b>	18,279	13,365
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Stock	297	1,537
Debtors	26,221	410
Cash at Bank and in Hand	84,101	132,437
	<b>110,619</b>	<b>134,384</b>
<b>CREDITORS</b>		
Amounts falling due within one year	13,521	12,206
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>97,098</b>	<b>122,178</b>
<b>RESERVES</b>		
Balance brought forward	135,543	101,617
(Loss) / surplus for the year	(20,166)	33,926
Balance carried forward	<b>115,377</b>	<b>135,543</b>

## Balance and Surplus

