4.2. EC92, Beijing, on 1 September 2012 Brief report

The EC92 meeting, the first to be held by the new Executive Committee, took place on Sep. 1st and was hosted by the National Astronomical Observatory of China. It was chaired by the new IAU President, Norio Kaifu.

Traditionally, this EC meeting is also attended by the newly appointed Division Presidents, who were usually Vice-Presidents of their Division in the previous triennium. However, because of the Division restructuring, which among other characteristics featured a smaller number of Divisions (from twelve to nine), and the fact that the EC used its prerogative to nominate new Division Presidents and Vice-Presidents, many of them had made no plans in advance to stay until Sep.1st. Only G. Valsecchi (President of Div.E) was present. This drawback is to be compensated by the fact that Division Presidents will be present to discuss the restructuring at the next two EC meetings, in 2013 and 2014.

After the mutual introduction of the new EC members, the Committee heard reports on the GA activities: general presentation by G. Zhao, Young Astronomers by E. Guinan. Also, a telecon was held with S. Maddison in Sydney about the activities and renewal of the "Women in Astronomy" EC WG (see above, Sect 2.1 and Sect. 2.4 respectively).

An update on the preparations of the Honolulu GA was presented by K. Marvel.

A proposal to hold the 2013 EC Meeting (EC93) in Nara (Japan) was presented by N. Kaifu, and accepted. The location of EC94 in 2014 will be decided at the Nara meeting.