giving papers at the BSC who do not reside in the area of the conference (see the BSANA web site for further details).

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## Report on the Extraordinary General Meeting of the AIEB in Paris, February 2012

On 11 February 2012 the EGM took place in Paris, France, at which 29 national sections were represented; in some cases, national associations had given their votes by proxy to someone else. I was thus mandated to vote on behalf of the Australian association. The aim of the meeting was to elect a successor to Judith Herrin, who resigned as president after her election in August 2011 in Sofia. Two candidates had come forward, Johannes Koder (Vienna) and Michel Kaplan (Paris), the latter being the treasurer of the AIEB. Both gave an address, after which the voting occurred. Johannes Koder won (by 16 votes to 12). A motion was also put forward in order to ensure that the inter-congrès meeting, due to be held in Greece in September 2013, should be granted the powers of an AGM in order to make changes to the constitution of the AIEB; this motion was approved.



A somewhat sensationalist account of developments within the AIEB may be found on a blog associated with *The Economist* magazine, http://www.economist.com/blogs/prospero/2012/02/byzantine-studies (the blog of a certain 'Prospero').

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I would like to ask for your cooperation and help. My main goal is to establish a community in which we can cooperate and work on Byzantine related topics. I realized how important is to know other perspectives of these topics, therefore my original aim with this homepage is to help comprehend other aspects, opinions about Byzantine Period deeper.