The 2011 General Assembly of the European Economic Association (EEA) was chaired by Christopher Pissarides, the EEA President 2011. 34 EEA members were present, including representatives of the EEA Executive Committee.

Christopher Pissarides opened the meeting at 7:40 p.m. by welcoming all of the EEA members attending the 26th EEA Annual Conference in Oslo, Norway, and thanked those who were present at the General Assembly for their valued participation in the meeting. Christopher Pissarides also thanked the Local Organising Committee of the congress and Espen Moen, Congress Programme Chair, for the organisation of such a successful congress.

Christopher Pissarides then announced that copies of the agenda and minutes of the last meeting had been previously distributed and were available on-line, while reports of the President, Secretary Treasurer and JEEA Editor would be available online from September 2011. He announced that there had been no comments or suggestions to the agenda by EEA members.

The first item on the agenda was consideration of the minutes of the previous annual meeting, published on the EEA homepage (http://www.eeassoc.org/index.php?site=&page=183) The minutes were approved as published.

The next items on the agenda were the reports of the President (Christopher Pissarides), Secretary (Piero Tedeschi), Treasurer (Simon Gaechter), Editor of the Journal of the Economic Association (JEEA) (Fabrizio Zilibotti). The President and Secretary reports covered the period from August 2010 to August 2011 while the Treasurer and Editor reports covered 2010.

Each discussed his written report, published online (http://www.eeassoc.org/index.php?site=&page=30) and made additional comments. All reports were approved by the General Assembly.

Christopher Pissarides then went on to thank Piero Tedeschi and Gemma Prunner-Thomas for all work being done to ensure the EEA continues to respect its aims. He further thanked Piero Tedeschi for his work as Chair of the EEA Standing Committee on Teaching. He also publically thanked Ramon Marimon, Chair of EEA-SC on Research for all his work on organising the invited session and the ongoing survey; and Silvana Tenreyro, Chair of EEA-WinE, for all the hard work and effort she was putting into WinE. On thanking Silvana, Christopher Pissarides used the opportunity to announce that the EEA Council has decided to institute a prize to women who have made a significant contribution to the Economics profession in Europe, and the prize would be named after Birgit Grodal. He announced that the award would have no age restriction and the first award winner would be announced in 2012 and presented during the 27th Congress of the EEA to be held in Malaga from August 27 – August 31 2012.

Christopher Pissarides concluded the General Assembly by inviting members to submit papers and to attend the next congress in Malaga.