

The History of the Otis EWC



11 - 13 September 1992

First meeting of representatives in Esher (UK) to establish an EWC in OTIS with delegates from Austria, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, UK and EMF



16 December 1993

Second meeting of representatives meeting in Brussels with delegates from Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, UK and EMF



25 January 1994

Letter to Bruno Grob (ETO-President) with the requirement to enter into negotiations to constitute an EWC with Otis.



1 - 2 June 1995

Third meeting of representatives in Esher with delegates from Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, UK and EMF



25 - 26 April 1996

First SNB (Special Negotiating Body) in London with representatives of the European Management of OTIS to establish an EWC.
For the employees delegates from France, Germany, Italy, Spain, UK and EMF were in attendance.



10 May 1996

Fourth meeting of representatives in Esher with delegates from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, UK and EMF
Decision for the Agreement for the Establishment of a European Forum for the OTIS Group



28 - 29 November 1996

Second SNB meeting held in Paris to Constitute the EWC (European Forum) and also hold the inaugural EWC meeting. The first president was John Bywater (management representative, ETO-HQ). Jean-Philippe Clairon (employee representative) was elected as first secretary of EWC.



7 – 8 October 1997

Second EWC Meeting in Paris

26 – 27 February 1998

Third EWC meeting in Paris because the closing of ETOHQ

18 – 19 October 1999

Fourth EWC meeting in Paris

7 – 8 November 2000

Fifth EWC meeting in Paris, election of new employees representatives: Christian Grangier was elected as new secretary replacing Jean-Phillippe Clairon

10 – 12 October 2001

Sixth EWC meeting in Paris



11 – 15 November 2002

Seventh EWC meeting in Berlin with 3 days training for the EWC-Members, new president Mark Wells (management representative)



22 – 24 November 2003

Eighth EWC meeting in Madrid, new president Dr. Roland Fischer (management). Mike Smallwood takes over the role of EMF Expert Advisor.



5 – 7 October 2004

Ninth EWC meeting in Brno, Günter Triebe was elected as new secretary replacing Christian Grangier, new president Alan Taylor (management representative), new employees representatives from Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia



8 – 10 November 2005

Tenth EWC meeting in Brussels. Amendment signed by all EWC Representatives and Otis EWC Management, recognising the enlargement of the EU and the subsequent increase to the size of the Committee.



6 – 8 November 2006

Eleventh (Tenth Anniversary) EWC meeting in Milan. This meeting recognises the significance that the Otis EWC has been formally meeting for ten years.