



LYMEC BUREAU

STRATEGY PAPERS (2006 – 2008)

Name of the area: European Liberal Student Network

Name of responsible bureau member(s): Slaven Klobucar

MAIN OBJECTIVES:

1. **Officially Establishing the network**
2. **Establishing the communication channel**
3. **Setting up the LYMEC Students network Committee**
4. **The network's own seminars**
5. **Start the Europe-wide campaigns**
6. **Erasmus program**

GENERAL STRATEGY:

European Liberal Student's network is new network of the liberal organisations, in this case liberal students organisations. The Network is part of LYMEC asbl. Since European Liberal Student's network is part of LYMEC asbl, it is not an independent organisation, and even though it is run on daily basis by the Committee of liberal students, it is supervised by the LYMEC Bureau, especially by Slaven Klobucar, Bureau member in charge of liberal students.

Goal of the Network

The point of the network is for the liberal student organisations to share experiences, work on common policies and strategies, organise Europe-wide campaigns and organise seminars. The network's number one goal is to promote liberal values among students in all European countries that have liberal student organisations. The second goal is strengthening of these organisations as well as giving the support to new similar organisations in countries in Europe, and including them in LYMEC and The Network.

Membership

All applicant, observer and full member organisations of LYMEC can become members of the Network by signing a simple form. The application is confirmed by the LYMEC Bureau. Interested organisations in LYMEC can join the Network as the observer members with limited access.

Liberal Students Committee

The network is run by the Liberal Students Committee chaired by the Bureau member in charge of the network. Members of committee are delegated from liberal student organisations that are member/applicant/observer members of LYMEC. Each organisation delegates one member who will be part of the committee.

CONCRETE ACTIONS:

Objective 1 : Officially Establishing the network

The initiative for the creation of the Liberal Student's network came from 11 liberal student organisations on the LYMEC Congress in Winterthur, Switzerland in April 2006. A meeting of these organisation was held after the Congress where the general idea was adopted. The following goals have to be done in order for the Network to officially establishes itself.

1. Based on this strategy paper, Bureau accepts the creation of the Network as part of LYMEC asbl – European Liberal Youth, and carries through the proposal for approval of the creation of the Network on the Executive Committee late 2006
2. The initial name of the network is "European Liberal Student Network", but the committee can propose an

alias name that will stand in front of the full name. The alias name will be approved by the Bureau.

3. Defining the members of the Network. Each organisation that wishes to take part of it will be asked to sign a form confirming it's will to take part in the work of the organisation. No extra fees will be paid to LYMEC for joining the Liberals Students Network

4. Starting the Liberal Students Committee. Members of this committee can be any person who applies.

5. The committee will write the resolution for LYMEC Executive Committee in winter 2006 which defines the position of the Network in LYMEC, once accepted, the Network will be able to start it's work officially

Objective 2 : Establishing the communication channels

As agreed on the liberal students meeting in Wintherthur, the new Network will work on the concrete ways of communications.

1. Website – maintained by the Committee. The web will be part of LYMEC website with a visible link on LYMEC web site. (e.g. students.lymec.org)

2. Newsletter– the committee will work on the committee that will be sent once every two months.

Objective 3 : Setting up the Liberal students committee

The creation of the network within LYMEC is something that a single person, in this case Bureau member, can not do on his own. That is why we establish the Liberal Students committee. The committee is chaired by the Bureau member in charge, with members delegated from each member/observer/applicant students organisation of LYMEC. Committee's duties include :

1. Day-to-day work on the network

2. Communication within the LYMEC and outside towards other organisations and media

3. Organising Europe-wide campaigns once or twice a year

4. Fundraising for the needs of the organisations (seminars, committee meetings)

5. Working on writing the resolutions, policy papers and other relevant documents

6. Other

Objective 4 : The Network's own seminars

There is a lack of LYMEC involvement in student issues, and there is lack of seminars organised by LYMEC that involve student rights and problems. The Network is in charge of setting up the themes of the seminars, organisation of the seminar and fundraising (CoE, EP, FNSt, etc...). These seminars should take place once a year. The participants of the seminar would be members of the liberal student organisations and other interested participants from other LYMEC organisations.

Objective 5 : Europe-wide campaigns

The Network would work on fundraising for the Network's own promotional material (e.g. leaflets). But also the Network will have special leaflets for each of the Europe-wide campaigns, that will be distributed through the Internet.

These campaigns would take place at least two times a year, and would mostly base on current issues in Europe regarding students. The Network would be in charge of setting up the priorities for these campaigns. Each member organisation of the Network would have the same campaign in their countries.

Objective 6 : Erasmus program

LYMEC Student organisations that will participate in LYMEC's student network will offer an assistance to the students who are in Erasmus program. LYMEC Students network would facilitate the needs of young liberals who come to a certain country, offering them support in settling in a new country and new environment.