

Minutes Bureau meeting

Lisbon, Portugal, 6th of September 2013

Present members: Jeroen Diepemaat
Vedrana Gujic
Igor Caldeira
Ed Sanderson
Sissel Kvist
Anne van der Graaf
Claudia Benchescu

Other present: Slaven Klobucar

1. Opening, regularia and adoption of the minutes from the previous meeting

JD has opened the Bureau meeting and established that the quorum has been reached. The minutes have been approved unanimously.

2. Follow up on the tasks from last meeting

VG reported that all tasks have been completed.

3. Events for 2013

SKl reported on the Press event in Bruxelles in October. All has been organized, but the lead trainer is not yet known, however ALDE Party said they will supply us with trainers.

SKl also reported on the organization of Congress in Bucharest. Everything is also under way, but there are too few persons who applied so far.

ES is in charge of writing "7 truths of Congress" by Friday 13th of September.

CB asked that we incorporate in program launch of the EP elections campaign of Romanian liberals. CB will supply with more detailed information.

VG and JD asked that the notification about statutory changes is sent to all the members.

4. EP Campaign

SKv said that she would like to see a similar campaign as we had for last EU elections. It has been decided that the following topics will be covered by the campaign; EU Institutions, Civil Liberties and Jobs for youth.

The concrete campaign plan will be done after the manifesto has been adopted.

IC said that the campaign should be viral and in several languages. The bureau agreed to have the campaign fully online. SKv suggested we invest in creation of three very short campaign videos and a general LYMEC video. SKv also proposed we create a Facebook group for young candidates so they could share the experiences.

5. Manifesto EP Elections 2014

The first draft has been written. IC will send the manifesto to VG who will add comments and send it to the Bureau. The Manifesto will be sent to LYMEC members on 16th of September. The manifesto will be only one and a half pages long.

6. Redrafting Policy book

The process has gone far but some of the Committee members have not contributed and therefore the redraft hasn't been completed yet. IC will make sure that the process is completed on time for the Congress.

7. ALDE Party Congress in London

SKI said that the hostel has been booked. ES and SKv will join the Congress as well. VG said that a preparatory meeting is needed before the start of Congress. IC is the delegation leader.

8. ENoP membership

As LYMEC is the only non-foundation member of ENoP and does not fit into ENoP's statutes as an organization, the Bureau has decided to resign from ENoP network.

9. Press

Paul Pryce is the new Editor-in-chief of Libertas. Libertas will no longer be printed and will be published online. The design will be done by the office. SKI in charge of ending all contracts regarding print and design of Libertas.

10. European Youth Forum

SKI and IC are in charge of organizing a meeting with PPYO's regarding membership in YFJ.

11. Finances

AvdG reported on the financial status of the organization which is in good state. Budget will be significantly smaller due to the loss of the EC's administrative grant. Membership fees will not change.

12. Membership issues

We expect the membership applications from Jeunes Radicaux de Gauche from France. Possibly there will be an application from DAP Moldova. The Bureau will propose the change of the statutes of the observer members (Ogra Fianna Fail and Norges Liberale Studentforbund – NLSF) and applicant members (Musavat Youth Organization, Youth Movement of Republican Party, European Youth of Ukraine) into associate membership status. VG in charge of writing the proposal.

13. Next meeting and closing

Next bureau meeting will take place in Bucharest after the Congress.