

MINUTES HANDOVER BUREAU MEETING PRAGUE 22 MAY 2022

Present in-person: Dan-Aria Sucuri (DAS), Ines Holzegger (IH), Ellinor Juth (EJ), Tanzer Yuseinov (TY), Alexandre Servais (AS), Tuuli Helind (TH), Laia Comerma (LC), Marina Sedlo (MS), Marten Porte (MP) and Bălint Gyévai (BG).

Present online: Antoaneta Asenova-Bihlmayer (AA)

Excused: Ida-Maria Skytte (IS)

Location: Grandium hotel Prague and online

Time: 10 h - 12 h CEST

Start of the meeting at 10 h 15

1) Final words from the former Bureau

AA addresses the new Bureau for the last time:

- This Bureau did a great job in leading the organisation in troubled waters;
- Discussion on Year of the Youth with Stephane Séjourné must be continued: she will organise a handover call with DAS and LC to discuss next steps;
- She is wishing best of luck to the new team and Congratulations to the new Bureau.

2) Handover document to the new Bureau

DAS explains that there is a 47 pages document for the new Bureau, it is very much advised to go through the content several times.

He further highlights that there is need to have the following:

- Define the portfolios, Bureau members couldn't per se candidate for it but de facto were included in the campaigns;
- DAS and IH will have individual talks with each Bureau members the week after;
- The former Bureau portfolios can be changed as well and adapted to the individual wishes of the new team.

LC adds that there is value in continuity. Libertas is an important and big part of the portfolio to be allocated to someone.

DAS finally stresses that invitations for events need to go through the official channel: office@lymec.eu. President or Vice-President go unless it's stated for a special Bureau member. Mostly Statutory meetings from our MOs are attended by the Bureau.

3) First discussion on regional responsibilities and task distribution (portfolios)

- IS suggested via email to have the UK and Ireland together this time under the same person from the Bureau;
- Portfolios are not granted at this meeting but rather after the bilateral talks next week;
- LC adds that she will provide a handover meeting for the training position on top of the already given information in the handover document.

4) Information needed for legal steps for registration (form sent out by BG)

- ID and Passport information are needed
- Latest bills justifying residency
- Please complete the form asap

5) ALDE Congress

- Registrations: AS, TH and TY need to be added. There were issues with Umberto and Felix not coming from the delegation. TY replaces and takes the voting rights.

- Travel bookings

- DAS will be booked with ALDE because he is attending the ALDE BM;
- IH is voting at the Council meeting;
- TH will help with booking the rest of the Bureau members' trips. They have to email flight options to treasurer@lymec.eu with office@lymec.eu in cc.

- Events to attend

- AM will prepare a guide for the delegation.

- Invitation Rainbow platform

- We will send someone but see on spot who will be available then.

- Council, BM and Party Leaders meeting: DAS attending all 3 and IH voting at Council meeting.

- 45th Anniversary event of LYMEC at ALDE Congress

- We need to secure one guest speaker still
- We have a visual and will do promotion before and on-site

- Stand at the Congress including merchandising

6) ELF 2023 projects CN + Project proposals - division of tasks and brainstorming

- Every Bureau member has a responsibility to write a concept note (CN) linked to one of the projects. Then it is developed in Project proposals. The 1st deadline is soon in June and then mid-July.
- Budgeting needs to happen for all the projects. The treasurer is in charge in coordination with the Secretary General.

- Bureau members responsible for events and training will help everyone in a horizontal way.
- We have with ELF a special agreement with a fixed amount for the year - 67 000 that we allocate on the different events. We will change the framework starting 2024. It will be labelled for us in the future without special agreement.
- Each Bureau member does research on their respective projects and proposals for speakers.

ELF projects for 2023 will be decided in Dublin, Ireland during the ALDE Congress meeting.

7) Upcoming events participation and tasks division

- Youth Dialogue delegate to be nominated and we need to give the info to the organisers (coordinate with IH). It will be in Prague, Czech Republic in mid-July, and we can send one representative. **IH will most likely go.**
- CoFoE event by the ALDE Party in Sofia, Bulgaria on 25 May 2022 from 18:00 to 20:00. **IH will go.**
- Bureau members responsible for IMS will be defined later. We have to send someone to the Zagreb, Croatia Scientifically Illiterate no more event between 1-3 July 2022. **AS will go.**
- ELF 'Training of trainers' Academy (24-26 June, Stockholm), the deadline to apply is 29 May. **TY will go** as he will focus on trainings (as confirmed after the bilateral talks)
- IFLRY GA in Dakar, Senegal (16-19 June)
 - Travels are quite expensive but MP has to check if he can take some days off first. MP will see with Tuuli on the booking side.
 - BG will pay the participation fee asap.
 - IFLRY Council will be in October in Stockholm. It has to be discussed whether we would send MP or organise something there with the Bureau in parallel.

8) Next Digital Assembly

- Proposal to move it to the end of August because the timeline is too short;
- It would be aligned with the Bureau meeting on **27 August 2022**;
- MS and LC to discuss the timetable of the Working Group for the renewal process involving AM.

9) Erasmus+ grant situation - next actions to take and updates

- It was introduced and explained during the financial point of the Congress;
- We are hoping to have a bigger envelope for the next few years. It could be possible (maybe somewhere between 7-9 million EUR);
- We could appeal but we don't really have the time to make it happen, we will look into it;
- We will try with the creation of a taskforce to follow up - Tuuli joins the team;
- We have to talk to MEPs in Renew4Youth to inform them;

- We will bring up the topic in the EU Council as well, Alex will check with his boss.

10) Office availability in the coming days in May

- 26 is bank holiday in Belgium
- BG: 23-24,27 recuperations
- CL: 23,25,27 recuperations
- AM: 27: recuperation

11) Latest updates from MOs and IMS

- LC mentions the disaffiliated Young Liberals Greece (YLG) - she will meet them both to explain the situation and how we could potentially cooperate in the future.
- UDI Jeunes needs to be notified about the suspension.
- New contact with the 3H Movement in Turkey and they were supposed to join the Congress but didn't.
- LUNA in Turkey - issues with the people in charge being too close to the governing forces.

12) Next meetings

- ALDE Congress - Saturday 4 May at breakfast - Dublin
- In-person Bureau meeting - 26-28 August 2022 - Brussels (or at least Belgium)

13) AOB

- Democracy and Security Advisory Group of the ALDE Party inputs: we will nominate Kasper (RU) and he will discuss the priorities with our Security and Cyber Working Group.
- Funding opportunities from Belgian subsidies are available - AS will explain and we can see what to do with TH.
- Voices from Ukraine online meeting to hear from our Ukrainian members - Monday, 30th of May at 18 h CEST online.

Meeting ends at 11 h 45.