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Bureau Meeting Stockholm 14 May 2017

Present: Sissel Kvist, President (SK); Svenja Hahn, Vice President (SH) (had to leave at 9:15), Marijn de Pagter, Treasurer (MdP); Lena Höglund, Political Officer (LH); Edgaras Mascinskas, Campaign and Communications Officer (EM) (had to leave earlier), Kevin Tammearu, Digital Officer (KT); Sergiu Boghean, Trainings Officer (SB)

Also present: Danica Vihinen, Secretary General (DV)

1. Opening

SK opened the meeting at 8:41

1. Debrief of Congress

SK congratulated the whole team on doing a great job

LH: We made a great congress but the resolutions tool had some critique.

DV: This will be solved by the newly adopted statutes

SK: The office was fantastic

DV: The local team and especially Ellen were fantastic both in the run up to and especially during congress

SB: The congress should be closer to the center, we should keep some standards.

SK: Financially this was only possible solution

SK: Chairs were good

SH: Do we have a guideline for chairs? Can we make one? Agreed that it's a good idea, should get feedback from former chairs on what they'd pass on to successors

SH: Party was good, always good when we have the venue on our own

DV: Please all remember to brief your organisations on beforehand regarding the questioning of applicant organisations

KT: Some orgs seemed to ask questions just for the sake of it

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3. ELF Application 2018 - idea of EP candidate academy + concepts notes (SH, DV, SK)

SK: Explained that the ELF application deadline is coming up

SH: Jelena Jesajana pitched LYMECs idea at ELF GA policy commissions during the ELF GA on Friday, they love it and would want a first draft this week

SH explained the concept (sent out by email on beforehand), also that one part could be done at Gummersbach; Please comment by Tuesday so we can compile it in time to send to ELF before Friday

Also other events, especially for ELSN, IMS

LH: Would need women's capacity building, many asking about it

DV: Building the best? How does it build into this - also financiers might not be happy with "competition", for example the European Women's Academy

SH: Please send first comments asap

Discussions about the possibility of a three-year deal with ELF, bureau positive to it but MdP will check details with Igor Caldeira as the Treasurer of ELF before bureau decides anything

4. New visual identity - what is status and how do we move forward (EM, SH)

EM: Aim is to have proposals by August/September so we can have something by autumn congress

DV: Will we look into how others did their new identity?

EM: SH will consult JuLis

5. IMS Improvements - proposal will be send (SK, SH)

SK: IMS did a great survey, to find out what's needed and what the IMS wish for.

Much can be done easily, like "mythbusting campaign" as many don't seem to be fully aware of possibilities within the scope of current IMS rules nor of practice already in place

DV: Very important to have everything in writing so we have a track record of what has been said and agreed upon

LH: Some things are clashing with LYMEC statutes, basically they seem to wish to create an external body within LYMEC

SK: The meeting with IMS delegates on Saturday morning did not address the proposal as such as bureau didn't have time to familiarise itself with it

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LH: Expresses concern that people outside the organisation might not understand that the IMS is a separate entity within LYMEC

SK: We need to provide feedback on their proposal by next Monday

MdP: Disturbing that some IMS are basically an expansion of delegations, unclear where their allegiance lies

SK: This will be solved by the proposal by the WG on statutes and congress where the IMS representatives would be chosen by the IMS delegates in cooperation with the Bureau and office rather than on first come, first served basis like now

6. Ljubljana ALDE Council

SK: SK and SH going, EM will be there for work. Will brief the rest of bureau once we have the dossier.

7. Campaign status - EM, what have we achieved, what's planned and should we change anything

EM explained where we are, takes much coordination and time

LH: Sat down with EM in Brussels, will help EM on the policy side

EM: Cecilia Wikström scheduled for end of May, DV will sit down with Ilhan - possibly even do a live Q&A at some point, we will get to action points

Angelika will start working on AI, wants to cooperate, EM and LH will look into it

8. Andorra, status on program and logistics (KT)

KT: Had lunch with Andorrans together with DV, they will finance the meeting rooms and possibly dinner on Saturday

The hotel is booked, just need to know how many participants

Also offering to go to parliament, will try to fit it into programme

SK: SH will go instead of MdP, other than that office (possibly only DV, not PG) and KT will attend

DV: Everyone must pitch to their MOs, deadline will be pushed forward a few days. Also C's should be invited.

9. Summer academy (DV)

DV will send updated concept, needs help with finding speakers and narrowing down topics to headlines

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10. Poland seminar "Getting the Liberal Message Out" (DV, EM?)

EM: On it with SH, will update asap

11. ALDE CoR Event (EM):

EM: Brussels 28 August, local and regional elected politicians (under 35)

DV: NEOS has asked so make sure they get info

EM: Push to everyone

12. Spring Congress 2018 - All:

Decision to do spring 2018 congress in Berlin

Autumn: LLJ has proposed Vilnius as location. DV: Need to set it as ELF concept note DL is before end of June. Decision to discuss further with LLJ about Autumn congress in Vilnius

13. Book launch - status by DV

DV: RDR to launch the defence book in Brussels on May 31 - need to set speakers, top priority the coming week. Will give status update by the end of the week. New Europeans: getting there, will be launched on Wednesday evening during Summer Academy

14. New mail - status by KT

Need to contact Produweb, MdP will help

15. Alumni network - status by MdP

Bart Vanmarcke will help us set it up pro bono, will just need to have the structure. MdP will look into it with SH

16. Tool kit, status by SB

SB: It's ready, need help in order to put more stuff in it

EM: will set up a closed page on webpage for the toolkit

Currently the toolkit is still lacking examples on finances, legal stuff, DV will contact the MOs to see if we can upload their statutes in english to this, also contact IOs

SB: Asks for comments, explains the structure

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SK: Add an overview document

SB: Could we try to work with FNF or ELF or whomever to maybe make a pitching brochure?

Discussion on the structure and how to promote it

17. New office equipment

DV: Will look into this once we have the final decision on the last 20% of the 2016 Erasmus+ grant

18. Aob

- translation of statutes and submission to Moniteur Belge

- Finances: FNF (DV will ask SH to look into what they could do), ELF deal (MdP will look into it)
- SB: Freedom fund is a hit
- Autumn congress: Congress team set up, DV has had meeting with Ilhan and Valentin

19. SK closed the meeting at 10:55

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