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Bureau Meeting

Skypemeeting, January 8th 2017

Present: Sissel Kvist, President (SK); Marijn de Pagter, Treasurer (MdP); Sergiu Boghean, Trainings Officer (SB); Lena Höglund, Political Officer (LH); Edgaras Mascinskas, Campaign and Communications Officer (EM); Kevin Tammearu, Digital Officer (KT); Sergiu Boghean, Trainings Officer (SB).

Also present: Danica Vihinen, Secretary General (DV)

Apologies: Svenja Hahn, Vice President (SH)

1. Opening

SK opened the meeting at 20:04 and wished everyone a happy new year. All but SH, who was on a worktrip, were present.

2. Upcoming events

Athens + BM

There will be a bureau meeting the whole Friday before the event starts, arrival of bureau and office on Thursday. MdP will look into flights.

DV: We should launch the call asap, as we have gotten criticism for short notice before. DV will send info already tomorrow so people can prepare. Registration should be open16-27.1. SH has made a draft programme, and we can use the technical info from last year for the call for papers.

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Manchester

KT: Might be a need to change the weekend because of work. KT will contact Andrew Martin to find someone in Manchester or surroundings who can help us with finding a good location. Will let us know about the dates tomorrow, and make a timeline.

3. Campaign

EM: Finishing the launch video at the moment, editing and making a timeline, needs names of MEPs for each theme, but we will be launching the campaign by the end of the month.

4. Finances

MdP: As the office has been closed for the holidays we haven't closed the financial year 2016 yet, so no updates at the moment.

SK: Let's note for further reference that ALDE group is not v-capable of making decisions in December so we need to spand the grant money before the end of the year.

5. AOB

LH: Congress, should we have a meeting regarding this? DV will catch up with CUF president this week, then a Skype meeting to go over the details (DV, SK, LH)

Guy 4 president: let's share the group's material, and reach out to their social media person (Olivier? DV will find out who to contact) and ask them if there's anything else we can do. Discussion about the rumours of the 5-star movement joining ALDE group.

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DV: When will the wg on statutes meet? We need to start discussing how to allocate the congress spots asap. SK: sent out a doodle, next week.

SK: Next assistant? DV: We can do it through Bruxelles Formation, will file the initial paperwork this week, also let's look into the last call and modify as needed. LH: Looked into the Voluntary service and it is way too overwhelming for us to register and the competition in Brussels is probably quite hard so better to do this one.

6. Closing of the meeting

SK closed the meeting at 20.41

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