



LYMEC BUREAU MEETING AGENDA

25. September 2015, Barcelona

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

VG opens the meeting at 09h30 and presents the agenda.

2. Preparations for the Congress in Helsinki

a. Contract with the local organisers

DV and IC confirm that contract has been approved and signed by the local organizers from Keskustanouret and Svensk Ungdom.

b. State of the Budget – incomes, donations, expenditures

Bureau and office are looking at possibilities to cooperate with MEPs for new events this year still, with reasonably good prospects of new synergies.

c. Chairs of the congress and guests – local guests, PPYOs, ALDE (Party, Group, CoR), partners

The bureau approves the appointment of Olesja Hännikäinen (former LYMEC bureau member), Teppo Säkkinen (from FCY) and Matilda Fleming (from SU) as congress chairs.

We will again invite the other European political youth parties: YEPP, YES, FYEG, YDE, JEF and YFJ. We will also invite ALDE Group, Party and CoR Group.

d. Membership applications – Luxemburg, Romania, Latvia, Hungary

JDL is applying for full member. TLDE Romania is applying for associate membership, as well as Attistibai.

The Hungarian organization as affirmed they sent their documents, but they haven't been received. IC and VG asked them to send the documents again.

e. Fringes - Bureau fringe – distribution of tasks, ELSN fringe – follow up

SU will make a fringe on energy security. Keskusta on CAP. KOL on student organizations.

Bureau on refugees. ELSN will have an informal meeting during congress.

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f. Bureau resolution – brainstorming

TR proposes a resolution on the refugee crisis in light of the current situation. TR will draft and VG will give more inputs. IC reminds the resolution on youth unemployment is still going to be discussed in Helsinki.

g. Congress campaign – brainstorming

JJ proposes the campaign should also be on refugees in light on the current situation. Everyone agrees. She will work on a draft.

h. Congress newspaper

We will continue having a congress newspaper. SH has prepared the outline for the newspaper. DV will invite Jukka Koivula to write. SH will also contact Ashmita Krishna to write a piece. IC will ask Fredrick Federley to do an interview with Jukka.

i. LYMEC TV – distribution of tasks

We will continue making LYMEC TV. JJ will help SH in preparing LYMEC TV.

SH will invite Edgaras Mascinkas to prepare a video with footages from Rotterdam congress.

3. LYMEC delegation to Budapest

a. Political update on the Congress

ALDE Party will have elections for the bureau. At the moment, there are two candidates for president (Fredrick Federley, Center Partiet, Sweden, and Hans Van Baalen, VVD, the Netherlands).

b. State of LYMEC delegation

One delegate cannot come and another one is still verifying if he will be able to come. All the rest are confirmed. JJ is first substitute and will thus be part of delegation. All other bureau will also be present, but not with voting rights.

The preparations of amendments in accordance with the LYMEC policy books will be assigned to the members of delegation.

TR is merging our resolution with FDP's on TTIP. LYMEC will also present a resolution on development aid.

c. LYMEC fringe on Development aid – speakers, distribution of tasks

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We are in the process of find speakers for the fringe and hope for a mix of local and European speakers. We will look for local speakers connected to Liberal think tanks. SK, DV and VG will work on the fringe.

4. Other events in 2015

a. FNF Winter school in Skopje

In December FNF will organize an event in Macedonia. LYMEC will work together with FNF for capacity building. VG will be the contact person. The event will be of regional nature. We will also look at possibilities to cooperate with D66 and VVD.

IC points out on the potential of LYMEC promoting regional gatherings in general. JJ points out that we are already working on this in the Baltic as well. Everyone agrees this is something we should continue doing.

b. Roundtable with Ilhan Kyuchuk in Bruxelles

Foreseen in December, details yet to be negotiated.

5. Projects for 2016. – preparation for application deadlines all

a. ELF projects – approved project sheet

We got our projects approved. IC will send the ELF GA approved projects to the Bureau, who will continue the work on them.

b. ALDE party project applications – Congresses Vienna, Tallinn

SK will draft, VG and IC will finalize the applications. We will ask for more funds for our 40th birthday.

c. Other partners – D66 (deadline 27.09.)

We will not apply, but we will maintain partnership on specific events.

6. Finances

a. Debrief from LYMEC Internal audit

DV explains the internal audit was positive. The only issue that raised attention was Rotterdam congress. Bureau is looking at means to solve some of the pending financial issues.

b. Spending plans and excessive debits till the end of 2015

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DV has requested all BMs to send their financial requests for projects; so they can be budgeted for the rest of this year.

c. Resolving of the payment dispute with JOVD

IC and VG will look at a solution for ALDE Group sponsorship. JOVD is also in debt from about 3500/4000 euros. JOVD will have a new board in October.

d. 2016 Budget – forward planning

DV will send Monday a proposal.

7. LYMEC IMS

a. Introduction letter and welcoming package

JJ has sent a welcome letter to new members since May, and has had positive response as more people are joining the IMS FB group. She had an online meeting with delegates to plan future work.

b. IMS delegates – procedure and expulsion of a delegate – Raufs Guseinovs

The Committee of Discipline and Arbitrage is reviewing a complaint regarding IMS delegate Raufs Guseinovs.

8. Other

a. LYMEC TTIP campaign – Malmstrom letter and meeting

JJ will send an email by the end of next week a plan for continuation of the online MythBusting campaign.

VG asks to make a portfolio for us to include in the meeting request to Cecilia Malmstrom.

b. Exhibition – brainstorming

Ilhan Kyuchyuk (MEP Bulgaria) has kindly offered to sponsor an exhibition in the EP. The timing and exact content of the exhibition is still to be decided, but it is likely to be in relation to the 40year anniversary of LYMEC.

d. 40 years of LYMEC – call for a working group

We will send a call for a working group that will prepare the multiple events and activities we will develop throughout next year. VG will draft.

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9. Any other business

a. *Events attendance: ASEF Luxembourg, YFJ Comem Madrid, IFLRY Dominican Republic*

JJ will go to ASEF. SH will go to JEF. MY will go to COMEM, we will give the second spot to Ab Brightman.

Bureau approves financing JD trip to IFLRY GA in the Dominican Republic. He will be brief in Helsinki regarding the priorities from the Bureau at the GA.

VG will visit Ciudadanos event in Madrid, late October, to get to know them better.

10. Planning of the next Bureau meeting and closing

There will be a bureau meeting in Helsinki, 1st of November.

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