

Bureau meeting Bratislava 15 Septembre 2019

Start at 10 h

Attending: SH, EM, PCC, AA, DR, DAS, LH and BG

Wrap up Bratislava event (LH):

LH:

- Getting the 3 external speakers was difficult for this event but we finally managed.
- One person didn't attend from Latvia, that means a no show fee.
- Participants were very responsive and came to take time to learn.
- Diversity and equality plan was mostly supported (5-6 editions) but Co-Presidency topic has to be discussed further.
- Co-Presidency debate has two main aspects:
 - A. Contingent on gender or something else?
 - B. One ticket or individuals running?
- Double evaluation was done on the spot (visual and printed questions) + questionnaire to be sent out after the event.

EM:

- YLM participants should be treated as Presidents and not just as participants. We should treat them at the hat they have. This initiative would work in a different setting, less with Presidents. This shouldn't be treated as any other event.

AA:

- Presidents were expecting to talk more about their own countries' situation/political realities. Peer exchange should be a bit more present and dealing with practices in their respective countries.

SH:

- Former event - Presidents were put in a moderation position. To be considered for next year too.

PCC:

- One of the benefits is the networking in such an event, the creation of a platform to keep in touch after the event.

Every year we try to improve the concept and come up with something different. Goal is to inspire them and change something at local level.

Conclusion:

- More engagement between Presidents to exchange between each other.
- Tailor the session differently, led by the Presidents themselves.
- Suggestion regarding the diversity plan is to move on with the paper and have a Congress discussion.
- Gender policy should be considered in LYMEC.
- Co-Presidency should be discussed as well.
- Bureau has the task to offer a tool for more diversity in the organization.

Two sets of proposals were submitted for the election of the proposed Co-Presidency. Ticket or individual basis.

Proposal after discussion at the YLM and inputs from the Presidents: Recommendation for different gender in the co-presidency but not part of the proposal as such.

- a. Delete gender part in the proposal of statutory change (only co-presidency).
- b. Recommendation in the diversity plan to have it gender balanced.
- c. Bureau to reach out to the MO's to discuss it.

Update from ALDE Bureau (SH):

- a. H. Van Baelen running again for Presidency
- b. 2020: Council on 8-9 May in Bratislava + Congress on 25/26 October in Stockholm.

Finances (LH):

Budget 2020:

- 9000 extra money to put on staffing and ALDE Congress.
- Reducing in the Bureau communications to adjust to reality.
- EYF grant again? We should try to apply for the same concept.
- FNF partner event to take out.
- External budget for what's not going through our accounts.
- Another intern to be hired - Spring time with new Bureau to focus on organizational issues and event planning - start in March. *Recruitment starts in January.*
- Internal Audit - end of September (last weekend)
- LH trying to technically solve issues with payments for last year that are still present in the book-keeping system. LH in touch with Xero support team.

Congress (BG)

- Organizational issues:
 - a. Renew invoice for venue to be paid by October.

- Seminar:
 - a. Missing two confirmations, waiting for Young Liberals to reply.
 - b. Plan B that PCC will contact as well.

- Book launch:

MEPs: Catherine Bearder, Svenja Hahn and Luis Garicano

Writers: Danica Vihinen, Marko Zivkovic, Leroy Bachtold/ Tim Robinson, Margaux Carron

Brussels book launch: Katka Cseh, Petros Austravicious, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Writers: Danica Vihinen, Marko Zivkovic

- Evening programme

We have to make sure all offers we got fit the budget and LH has to go through everything again before we book.

- Registrations:

BG to send new version with waiting list and updated guests.

BG will not confirm them in block through the website, otherwise all of them are confirmed.

Personalized confirmations will be sent out.

- Memberships requests, disaffiliation and suspensions (BG, LH)

Applicants: Russia - Vesna (documents well received on time), Romania - USR Tineret (typical questions briefing from DAS), Spain - J'Cs (EM in touch), Hungary - Momentum TizenX (DR -to brief)

LH is trying to get some information from TLDE regarding their membership.

The bureau will reach out to the armenian organization and LIFT in the next 6 months to discuss their membership.

ALDE Congress (AA, BG):

- Alumni Network event - refund the whole network and rethink its concept. No capacities to organize it this year.
- We will therefore organize a stand with a booth, leaflets, stand, chairs and try to have a good spot. BG to discuss further practicalities with EM and Edita from ALDE Party.
- Delegation: 2 resolutions tabled and negotiated with other MOs
 1. Climate with strong Mos will pass.
 2. Transnational list IMS text is basically ours - lobby for both.
- Not amending our own resolutions. All resolutions to be shared with the bureau
- Couple system in the delegation to help each other.
- Hearings with the candidate at the ALDE Congress will be planned by the office-reception/coffee breaks (15 minutes meetings).
- Travel refund to delegates is confirmed (100 EUR/person).

IMS Event (EM):

- Budget to be sent in the coming days by LH and BG
- MK came up with a proposal for accommodation.

Libertas (DR):

- 4 articles to be ready soon.
- Webinar next week Tuesday with editorial team on writing.
- Need to start publishing on the website and promote on social media when ready.
- Promote the webinar in the next newsletter. BG and MK to take care of that.
- EM to upload the article end of next week as an offer and not only as an article.

Tools (BG, PCC)

- Collaborative tool to be discussed with the IMS first together with PCC.
- Resolution tool to be checked by SH and BG.

News from MOs (all):

- Elections in JMR.
- Local elections in Hungary and Bulgaria - our MOs are mobilised.

News from IMS (EM):

- a. Meeting happened with SC - Porto was considered but MLS our partner would like to do it in Lisbon so we go for that option. We plan to invite people from Iniciativa Liberal, Volt on political entrepreneurship, MLS. Someone from the Commission representation to be there as well.
- b. Budget needs to move forward and know for how many people we can plan.
- c. Lisbon Bureau meeting needed if UK is leaving and not eligible anymore for E+. Bureau members as participants in that case.
- d. Matilda to be empowered: she is looking into accommodation.
- e. Draft programme and draft budget to be uploaded on ELF cloud next week.

PCC:

- a. Kialo tool to be discussed in the next SC meeting, PCC to join to explain it.
- b. Tight schedule ahead of the Congress - pilot project is planned on a few resolutions ahead of Autumn Congress with delegates.

Aob:

- Strategy meeting YFJ- background from LH for DR for Amiens
- ELF GA (PCC, BG):
Send GA Dossier to Bureau - comments till Monday evening
PCC to Showcase the YCA
- IFLRY representation - vaccination and VISA for Sergiu
- E+ info day in Brussels in October - BG is going

End at 12 H