

## Bureau meeting online 05 August 2019

*DAS, EM, PCC, DR, AA, LH attending  
BG also attending  
SH not attending (in the USA)*

*Meeting starts at 19 h 10*

### **Finances (LH)**

- LH gives a general overview: it will take a while to clean the book-keeping.
- LH and BG were mostly busy with booking and budgeting during the past weeks. LH fears we are going over budget for Bureau meetings and salary costs. There is also a financial risk for London and the VISA costs with Brexit.
- The Internal audit is coming up also with hopefully Danica on board, we could envisage financial compensation to help us clarifying outstanding items? Internal audit will take place at the beginning or mid-September. The date will be fixed soon.

*Decision to be taken on allocating some money for libertas on the website (800 EUR not budgeted)*

EM: Decision is moved for when we will have a better overview.

### **Board Meeting (EM/BG/AA)**

- Logistics: flights, restaurants and accommodation are booked. BG will send the draft programme by the end of the week.
- Meeting with locals: both local MO organizations were contacted 1 week ago: Youth forum of Nova Stranka offering to host - no signal from MLADI LDP yet. If no reply from Mladi LDP by the end of the week, we will go for this option.

There is a willingness from the Board to solve the financial issues with Mladi LDP therefore it would be good to meet and discuss. The goal is to meet both (if happens) in a neutral place.

### **YLM (BG)**

- Flights will be booked through a travel agency so that ELF is prepaying and there is no excessive reimbursement to LYMEC anymore. BG reached this conclusion with ELF secretariat.
- The accommodation is now booked and the venue as well.
- Diversity plan was drafted by LH - The Bureau is going to review it in the coming days.
- 3 external speakers were invited. We have yet to receive confirmation on 2 (Gender equality and OSF)
- Contact with the local MO will be taken by BG as well.

### **Autumn Congress (BG, PCC, AA)**

- Seminar:

PCC explains that we weren't on the same line on the logistics side but now its moving in the right direction with the local actors. The conservative MEP confirmed the participation to the event along with the liberal representative (Brexit vs non-Brexit perspectives). Updated version of the programme will be released by tomorrow.

- Congress:

Registrations to be launched soon (agenda and fees to be cleared)

- Logistics:

Some issues came up but now its solved: venue + accommodation on the plate and under confirmation/payment.

- Membership applications (deadlines are coming up):

Nothing yet so far for this Congress. Regarding next Spring, the **Swiss Greens** might be interested in joining (we should invite them to the Autumn as observer). Contact were also made with Boris from Croatia. In Skopje, we might have another **Croatian** applying as well (they should be invited in autumn as well). **USR** was thinking of applying as well, DAS will reach out to them.

**Young liberals in Greece** might apply for full membership? No reply yet even if AA sent them all the rules to do so.

- Policies:

Email was sent out to IOs to provide people working on Chapters 1 and 2 - no new resolution from the Bureau but rather archiving and combining resolutions to clean the chapters of the policy book. If someone is interested in any MO, contact Antoaneta.

### **ELF (BG)**

- Book launch during the London Congress: Ilhan + Andrew Duff will be invited (DR and AA in charge)
- Change the working culture with ELF - thanks to BG - very good start of the new cooperation.

### **Update Communication (DAS)**

- Cool off with Members Monday
- Will be covered: International Youth Day + different meetings and congresses
- Movie project about LYMEC, launch it before Congress - DAS will start working on it
- Facebook issue - DAS and EM to take care of active old page

### **Libertas (DR)**

- Call is planned with the 5 contributors - some articles available in August already probably

### **Online learning Platform (DR)**

- 10 minutes videos with sum-up of what the speakers said - Laurenz did it for Sarajevo, PCC in London, EM in Bratislava.

### **News from IMS (EM, PCC)**

- Updates:

IMS have to wait until the end of August to speed up the process, Eleni was elected as delegate.

- IMS Seminar:

Proposal to move from Lisbon to Porto to be approved by the SC

- Kickstart the planning:

Chat with PCC to launch this before the next Congress. The use of the Kialo tool will be presented in Serbia at the Bureau meeting.

### **ALDE Congress (BG):**

- Book launch also under DR + AA cooperation - not possible to have it at the Fringes of the Congress. There are budget issues and attendance issue if we have to move somewhere else (AA)
- Alumni event is still pending because ALDE doesn't have the programme yet - Edita to get back to us. Having a stand might not even work out. We need to know where the ALDE reception evening is. BG to ask Edita. We wait for information and then the Bureau will take a quick decision on the book launch and the alumni event.
- Question on whether leave Athens on Saturday and having one night less + bring assistant as a package. Might be difficult with the available flight options. Bureau to take decision on this in the coming days.
- Climate resolution is to be submitted at the Congress by our delegation. In addition, AA will write a resolution on transnational lists and review of the Spitzenkandidaten process - delegation is looking into the previous works.

### **News from Member Organisation**

- Change of leadership in CUF

### **AOB:**

- Book club proposal (AA): it is about a tiny group meeting by-weekly to read a liberal book (Meet-up liberal book club). First meeting will be in fall to start. BG will add the link in the next newsletter. It's a good opportunity for DR to pick up more writers for Libertas.
- Consultation on the future of work from the European Youth Forum - DR will complete the survey with the policy book - 15 August is the deadline.
- Strategic plan meeting of the European Youth Forum. It is taking place on 8 September - LH will be attending on our behalf.
- Date of the internal audit should be put around that meeting so that LH can do both.

End of the meeting at 20 h 30