

## Online Bureau meeting Minutes 02/04/2020

**Attending: Svenja Hahn (President), Edgaras Mascinskas (Vice-President), Antoaneta Asenova, Lena Höglund, Pau Castellvi Canet, Dan-Aria Sucuri and Deimante Rimkute (Bureau members) and also Bálint Gyévai (Secretary General)**

**Starts at 19 h 00**

### Online Congress

- **Organisation:**

Overview is given by BG on the last aspects to the Online Congress. He explains how the recording will work but also how different tasks were distributed in the secretariat. Clara, Niklas and BG will be at the office to facilitate the Congress.

The chairs were also well briefed and we are ready for the Congress on the logistics side.

- **Finances:**

- LH explains that we now have the updated budget in line with the latest information and decisions of the last meeting.
- She adjusted the spendings on the Spring Congress side. We are below 7000 at the end. We need to know what's coming from the Group for the second Congress of the year. We hope to be able to spend all the money available on the Autumn Congress.
- We acknowledge the great work done by Clara since she started. Unfortunately, it is not possible to give lunch vouchers to Clara so we will give her a raise of 150 EUR = 950/month instead, starting after the Congress.
- We have an issue with the bank fees in western balkan countries (very high for the refunds). We will therefore reimburse them in cash instead of transferring the money. We will also propose to use paypal and revolut to facilitate refund.
- Bank cards and email of Lena to stay open till the end of the year at least to facilitate future communications and payments during the handover period and the administrative steps we need to go through.
- Around 20 participation fees to be refunded left only at this stage.

- Freedom Fund: ERPY to be refunded 200 EUR + TizenX potentially for one delegate.
- Nova Stranka Youth, Progressive youth of Slovakia, Young Liberals Greeks and Nowoczesna Youth haven't paid their MO fees at this stage.
- MOs proposed for suspension weren't invoiced.
- **Membership applications:**
  - Uppreisn: Dan-Aria prepared the organisation and discussed their application. Opinion about joining the EU is an important topic.
  - Young Swiss Green Liberals: Antoaneta prepared the organisation and discussed questions addressed to their organisation (written questions process). Organisation ticked the boxes to join, now it's for the Congress to decide. Their relation to the EU is an important question here too.

- **Suspension/Disaffiliation:**

LH to present this agenda point to Congress :

*Musavat Youth* - not active and not in contact with us + debt.

*Youth Forum AKR* - not active and not in contact with us + debt. A last attempt will be made to see if they are willing to pay and stay active.

*European Youth Movement of Ukraine* - not active and not in contact with us + debt.

*UDI Jeunes* - not active and not in contact with us + debt.

*Civil Forum* - SH to present the committee of discipline and arbitration case: ruling made and Bureau implemented recommendations. Civil forum to pay back money didn't happen yet. Danish foreign ministry is investigating the Civil Forum for corruption. This is a quite serious issue of mistrust. Committee advised to put their membership up for discussion so that's what's going to happen at this Congress.

*TLDE* - to be disaffiliated - didn't reply to our emails, they are accumulating debt and disappeared, no cooperation anymore.

- **Step by step through agenda**

Bureau members are guided through the Congress agenda powerpoint by BG.

### Handover Document and Meeting

AA and DAS parts were received so far. Rest of the Bureau is still working on it at this stage.

### Paris Congress

- An extra day of Congress has to be considered.
- Next Bureau to quickly look into the options available in Paris to assess the situation.
- Additional funds from Renew will be available probably so that we can expand the budget.
- Two more meals also need to be planned but no need for extra nights for Congress even if the extended schedule is confirmed.

**AOB**

**Meeting ends at 20 h 30**