

Minutes of the EELA Board Meeting of 10 September 2020

Via Teams
Time: 04.00 pm– 07:00pm

Board members:

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt (Chairman)

Anna Jerndorf (Vice-Chairman)

Roland Gerlach

Chris Engels

Youliana Naoumova

Marko Lovrić

George Georgiou

Marie Janisonova

Helene Amsick

Juliet Carp

Pirkko-Liis Harkmaa

Carola Möller

Claire Toumieux

Constantin Bakopoulos

Zoltán Csernus

Jón Sigurðsson

Terence McCrann

Valeria Morosini

Pierre Elvinger

Matthew Brincat

Christiaan Oberman

Gareth Walls

Sten Foy

Bartłomiej Raczkowski

Maria Da Gloria Leitao

Corina Radu

Joan Cradden

Dusan Nitschneider

Raquel Flórez Escobar

Ueli Sommer

(Present Board Members are marked in **bold**)

1. Welcome and opening

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt welcomed the Board Members to the Board meeting.

2. Approval of the minutes of the last board meeting of 28 May 2020, any amendments?

The minutes of the board meeting of 28 May 2020 are approved.

3. Final information on the accounts of the Hamburg conference

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt reported. Detailed information has been sent out to the Board Members. Only 15 participants remain to be reimbursed. C-IN will keep on trying to reach those members.

4. Approval of the Secretarial Fees for Gleiss Lutz

The Secretarial Fees of EUR 25,000 (plus VAT) per year for 2018 and 2019 were approved.

5. State of preparation of the EELA/ERA conference in Brussels on 27 November 2020

Sten Foyn reported. The preparations have come quite far and a draft program has been prepared. The event will most probably be virtual.

The fee for the conference was discussed. The fee should cover ERA's costs and be in line with market practice. Pierre Elvinger and Sten Foyn will liaise with ERA on this point.

6. Co-operation / liaison with ABA Labor and Employment Section

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt reported. Through Bartłomiej Raczkowski he and Anna Jerndorf have been in contact with ABA about a possible cooperation. ABA has already been offered to participate with 20 members at the EELA annual conference. It was further suggested that ABA Labour and Employment Section should be able to present themselves to the EELA-members.

It was proposed that Bartłomiej Raczkowski would go back to ABA and suggest that they can suggest a speaker for the virtual session this autumn.

7. Topics/speakers for further virtual seminar(s) in the autumn

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt reported. It is suggested to have one virtual seminar in October in addition to the Brussels conference. The suggested topic for the virtual seminar is the new judgement on Privacy Shield and data transfers to the US.

Bartłomiej Raczkowski agreed to take responsibility to appoint a suitable speaker and arrange for the virtual seminar which will also include a relevant topic and speaker from ABA.

8. Preparation of the Athens conference 2021

In light of the Covid-19 situation it was discussed whether it is realistic to have a physical conference in June 2021. After discussions it was decided that C-In will investigate the scenario that there will be much less participants than a normal year.

The list of topics prepared by Constantin Bakopoulos was discussed and session organizers were appointed. Constantin Bakopoulos will send the updated list of topics and session organizer.

9. News regarding conferences 2022 and 2023

2022: Corina Radu reported. The 9 June 2022 is confirmed. Some bookings are hindered due to the fact that the venues are reluctant to book anything due to the Covid-19 situation. Furthermore Karolina from C-In has not been able to come to Bukarest due to the travel restrictions.

2023: Jón Sigurðsson reported. The conference venue has been booked so far and there are proposals for the gala dinner and hotels.

10. Prolongation of C-IN's contract

The decision has already been taken to prolong the contract. Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt will sign the documents.

11. Date and timing of next Board meeting

There will be one more Board meeting in October or November 2020 and the next one will be in January or February. Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt will come back with suggested dates.

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt
EELA Chair

Anna Jerndorf
EELA Vice-Chair

Approved on 15 December 2020.