

**Minutes of the EELA Board Meeting of 15 December 2020**

**Via Teams**  
*Time: 4.00-6 pm*

**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**)

Also present:

Karolína Tylšová, Project Manager, C-IN

## **1. Welcome and opening**

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt welcomed the Board Members to the Board meeting. The Minutes of the EELA Board Meeting of 10 September 2020 are approved.

## **2. Athens conference**

Karolína Tylšová reported on the financial impact in accordance with the material sent to the Board members beforehand. In summary, there will be cancellation fees in relation to Hilton and Megaron. The other venues will be possible to cancel without cancellation fee.

The question whether to plan for a hybrid conference (physical and virtual) or a pure virtual one was discussed thoroughly.

After hands raise it was finally decided that due that due to the very uncertain situation relating to Covid-19, the 2021 conference has to be only virtual.

It was further decided to try to move the Athens conference to 2022 and move the Bukarest conference to 2023 and Reykavik to 2024. According to Karolína Tylšová this will not render any cancellation fees for Bukarest or Reykavik.

Constantin Bakopoulos was thanked for all his effort relating to the 2021 conference and kindly agreed to organize the conference also for 2022.

Karolína Tylšová and Constantin Bakopoulos was assigned to take contact with the providers to effectuate the decision by the Board.

## **3. Website**

Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt reported. The website is in a poor state and needs to be revitalized. Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt and Anna Jerndorf have been in contact with Loyals that are currently administrating the website and with C-IN. Currently C-IN is administrating the conference website and Loyals the main website and that does not work well.

The proposal is that the website will continue to be administrated by Loyals but that C-IN will be responsible for the content and for keeping the website as well as the LinkedIn and Twitter account up to date.

The suggestion was approved and Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt will liase with Loyals and C-IN to effectuate the decision.

## **4. Cooperation with C-IN**

Klaus-Stefan reported. C-IN has asked for a fee increase due to inflation in the Czech Republic, in accordance with the materials sent to the Board beforehand.

The Board wants to continue the cooperation with C-IN and gives Klaus-Stefan and Anna Jerndorf the mandate to negotiate the fees.

## **5. Other**

The question regarding the General Assembly was raised.

Klaus-Stefan will investigate with Martin Diller how to solve this matter when we cannot have a physical General Assembly.

Klaus-Stefan will call for the next meeting in January where the Board will discuss topics for spring virtual seminars and the virtual EELA-meeting.

## **6. Date and timing of next Board meeting**

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Klaus-Stefan Hohenstatt  
EELA Chair

Anna Jerndorf  
EELA Vice-Chair

**Approved on 24 March 2021**