



STANDING COMMITTEE OF CLGE

Wels, Austria, 10 April 2003, 16:00 – 17:30

MINUTES

Venue Congress Centre Minoritenkloster, Conference Room, Stadtplatz, A-4600 Wels

Participants Chairperson Henning **Elmstroem** (DK), Klaus **Rürup** (GER), Gerda **Schennach** (AUS), René **Sonney** (CH), Martin **Coulson** (UK), Rudolf **Kolbe** (AUS), Felix **Peckels** (LUX), Otmar **Schuster** (GE), Vaclav **Slaboch** (CZ), Seija **Vanhanen** (FIN)

Apologies Pedro **Cavero** (SP), Bernard **Bour** (FRA)

1. Opening

Chairperson *H. Elmstroem* welcomes all attendants and reports about open items of the task list of the Standing Committee meeting in Innsbruck earlier this year. The main part of the Standing Committee meeting will focus on the procedure for the implementation for new statutes. See item 5 of this minutes.

2. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer *R. Sonney* has circulated an overview about present status of finances. The income side is stable as it mainly depends on the annual contribution paid by the members. Norway has not yet paid the membership fee for 2002, they will get a reminder again. The expenditures for the WPs an reports are not as high as estimated in the budget.

3. Website

V. Slaboch and his team have developed the website and it is up to all delegates and officers in CLGE to fill it with life. National parts of the website have not yet been updated all but some of the members are very active. The ownership of the URL has been prolonged by *V. Slaboch* recently.

4. Report of Working Parties

The time schedules have been kept so far. As chairpersons of all WGs will give detailed reports to the General Assembly, the item is discussed then with all delegates.

5. Statutes

Secretary-General *G. Schennach* has prepared a new final draft of the statutes as a result of the discussion and break out sessions in the General Assembly in Venice and two e-mail consultations involving all delegates. Only a few amendments which do not change the aim and the mainstream of the statutes have been suggested by delegates.

H. Elmstroem explains that the procedure for the new statutes will be to discuss the statutes in the General Assembly on Friday and if amendments and comments can be considered within the General Assembly, they could be proposed for adoption to the delegates in the Saturday General Assembly. There are still two open questions about voting rights of the GE

President in the Executive Board of CLGE, as this officer is member of the Executive Board ex officio and second if Honorary Member have the right to participate in General Assemblies. All comments which have been discussed in the Standing Committee are included and highlighted in red colour in the Final Draft Paper which will be circulated as enclosure to the minutes of the General Assembly.

The discussion concerning the proceeding to implement the statutes concluded to present the final draft with the amendments from the Standing Committee to the General Assembly and in case of no more comments to adopt it then. If major amendments are necessary, the decision will be postponed to the General Assembly in autumn 2003 with an additional e-mail consultation of all delegates in June/July. This should be enough time to discuss the proposal within the national member associations for all those delegates who have not done this since the General Assembly in Venice.

Internal Rules will have to follow the Statutes strictly and do not contain principle regulations. They are by-laws to regulate the implementation.

6. Future activities of CLGE

The time to discuss future activities and defined goals of CLGE was too short and therefore the item was postponed to the next Standing Committee meeting in summer.

7. CEPLIS / GATS 2000 / GE / ESF

B. Bour will withdraw from Presidency of CEPLIS. CLGE will have to think about further membership in CEPLIS as it is not quite clear if interests of the professionals are really represented by CEPLIS. The joint CLGE/GE session in General Assembly will offer opportunity to discuss burning issues with the MEP Dr. Maria Berger, who has been invited by *R. Kolbe*. GE will honour three members for their long term activities and efforts for the liberal professionals in GE.

8. Directive on Mutual recognition

Item was postponed to the joint CLGE/GE session within the General Assembly and the discussion with the MEP.

9. RICS

The meeting between the RICS President Peter Fall and CLGE representatives will be held in London in spring. The agenda has been finished. As it seems communication between both associations has improved and there seems to be a common interest to meet for this Round Table discussion on both sides.

10. Future events

It was agreed after the General Assembly and elections of the new members of the Standing Committee to hold the next Standing Committee meeting in Amsterdam/NL on Saturday 5 July 2003 from 9.00-17.00. *M. Wijngaarde* will organise the meeting venue and accommodation.

11. Any other business

none

Gerda Schennach, Secretary-General of CLGE

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