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Meeting	E.MAlumni Association - Board meeting
Date	19 December 2010 – 17:00 to 18:00
Location	Teleconference
Participants	Giorgos Kosmopoulos– E.MAlumni President Corinna Greco Christiane Schwausch Sara Melkko Igor Vorontsov Sophie Mirgoux (Joined for the last part of the meeting due to technical difficulties)

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Minutes of the 28th November meeting
- 2) Report on Career Day
- 3) Debriefing on President's meeting with the EU evaluator of the Regional Master's
- 4) Bank Account and Finances
- 5) Update on current projects
- 6) Any Other Business



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Item 1: Adoption of the Minutes of the 28th November meeting

The participants adopt the minutes of the 28th of November. It is also decided to put online the agreed answer on the Networking officer's forum post. Giorgos should put it online making clear that it is a collective answer expressing the views of the entire board on the issues raised.

Item 2: Report on Career Day

Sara , who took part in the career day, thinks that the event went really well. Corinna who was also present for the most of it confirmed Sara's opinion. There were about 40-50 masterini attending even though it was a busy time for them for many reasons.

Sara thought that the EU angle seemed to be missing but it was agreed that since there is a limited number of facilitators there would be always something missing. We should address this in the following events. It was agreed that this is a great event and it should continue in the future.

Sara also added that she did not have the opportunity to talk with Prof. Benoit-Rohmer (not in Lido), and only shortly with Prof. Marella and Cristiano.

Item 3: Debriefing on President's meeting with the EU evaluator of the Regional Master's

Giorgos has debriefed the board on his meeting with the evaluator Ms Bianca. They met on Thursday the 16th December and it was noted that she has received various documents on the Alumni ahead that meeting (Statute, Action Plan etc). The discussion evolved around the identity and the work of the Alumni and was also made clear that for the moment the association is running on a voluntary basis with the support of EIUC on some important aspects like website hosting etc.

The evaluator was also interested on the Alumni's view on what is the main gap of the Master. Giorgos mentioned that we do not have yet a systematic view of our members' ideas. However, it was mentioned that something that comes up very often is the lack for career support once the studies are over and therefore the E.MAlumni has an important role to play here. It is also true that different graduates have varying experiences of the Master especially due to their second semester experience.

Concerning the cooperation with EIUC, it was pointed out that the model decided was that while we keep a clear institutional independence we will look for every way possible to



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cooperate we are glad for the relation so far. From our side we will need to support EIUC and EMA as our statute provides.

This approach coincided with the view that the evaluator has formed from the EIUC side.

Giorgos did not want to comment on budget issues of EIUC in general but the issue of the co-financing was mentioned as the way we cooperate with EIUC on the financial aspect.

The two events (HRDs and Career day) that have taken place so far with the support of the E.MAlumni were also brought up and she was aware of them.

Finally, the evaluator asked for the support of the E.MAlumni on a survey she would like to launch concerning the evaluation of the Master. We agreed that it might be good to use the E.MAlumni website to launch this survey and that she could liaise with the Networking officer for the technical part and any ideas he has.

Corinna also added that she talked through skype with Ms Bianca. Their discussion involved mostly around her tasks within EIUC but she also provided info about the history and the structure of the E.MAlumni Association.

Item 4: Bank Account and Finances

Christiane informed the board on the status of the bank account. The bank account has now been opened in Fortis Bank and is now operational. It will cost 7,80 euros per trimester. She explained that this was the cheapest and less administrative stressful choice.

However, there are still issues. It is necessary that we provided the bank our officially registered statute that also contains the names of the board members since a printout of the webpage is not a valid legal document. We can't provide the old one since our names or the position of the Treasurer exist there. It was verified that other banks would ask for even more strict conditions.

Secondly, we need an official translation of the statute by a certified translator.

It was decided that we need to go ahead and register the statute adopted in May 2020 under Italian law otherwise we will not be able to maintain the bank account. Corinna will liaise with Christiane and will talk with the legal adviser to clarify issues that came up or might cause troubles in the future.

It was also decided to find the most cheap solution for an official translation of the statute. For the occurring cost, Christiane has the authorization of the board to ask EIUC to provide us with a small amount of money.



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Concerning the collection of fees, Christiane will provide the board a draft call, containing all the necessary information and keeping in mind all the previous decisions on the matter (exemptions etc). Giorgos and the rest of the board should have it by the New Year and it must be sent out very early on January 2010.

The Action Plan should also be attached to the call and a part of the website must be dedicated in order to have everything clear for the members.

Item 5: Update on current projects

Sophie has updated the board on the Mentoring scheme project and also on her work with Filipa regarding the call for the annual theme of 2011. Both projects are in an advance stage and should be ready for launch soon

Next meeting

The proposed date for the next teleconference is set for the 16th January.

NOTE: Filipa, minutes after the end of the meeting, notified that she missed the conference due to heavy traffic but reported that there are two people so far interested in forming the newsletter group and they will go ahead like this hoping that some more will come along.

The meeting is closed.

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