



Minutes of 4. ERIC Meeting October 2017

Online Meeting held during REM Ljubljana, Slovenia
October 7th, 2017 – 9:15 am CEST

Agenda

FIRST SESSION

- 9:00 – 09:10 Anthems of Slovenia, Europe & Rotary
- 09:10 – 09:20 Welcome & Introduction
- 09:20 – 09:35 Country call, proxies & voting

SECOND SESSION

- 09:35 – 09:40 Update from the board Justin Hadjilambris, President
- 09:40 – 09:50 Vice President Lucky Dalena, Vice President
- 09:50 – 10:00 Secretary Paul Sampatakakis, Secretary
- 10:00 – 10:15 Marketing Committee Susana Silva, Marketing Director
- 10:25 – 10:35 Treasurer Matthieu Bondu, Treasurer

THIRD SESSION

- 10:35 – 10:45 Update on REM Vilnius 2018
- 10:45 – 10:55 Update on EuCo Antwerp 2018

FOURTH SESSION

- 11:30 – 12:30 2018 REM presentations & positions voting
- 1. IT Candidate (Bariscan Tunali)
- 2. Social Candidate (Merve Karakaya)
- 3. Next REM (Italy & Cyprus)

FIFTH SESSION

12:30 – 13:30 Discussion on voting points

1. ERIC Budget
2. Include 5€ ERIC Fee in the price of the package for all REMs, 7€ for EUCO
3. Make Rotaract Europe a legal entity
4. Board member clause

Present Board members (8):

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| President | Justin Hadjilambris |
| Past President | Jens Christian S. Pedersen |
| Vice President | Lucky Dalena |
| Secretary | Paul Sampatakakis |
| Treasurer | Matthieu Bondu |
| Marketing Director | Susana Silva |
| Marketing Assistant | Mafalda Luis |
| Social Assistant | Merve Karakaya |

Present Country Representatives (35):

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| Andorra & France | François Oger |
| Austria | Johanna Hetzmanseder |
| Azerbaijan | Tural Abdulla |
| Belgium | Ben Pintens |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | Tijana Bjeljic |
| Bulgaria | Dorina Kostadinova |
| Croatia | Vedran Jakopovic |
| Cyprus | Constantinos Anayiotos |
| Czech Republic & Slovakia | Martin Kmety (Proxy) |
| Denmark | Itziar Uribarri |
| Finland | Tuomas Martikainen |
| Germany | Dominik Toepfer Jan Hartmann |
| Great Britain | Karolina Dimitrova |
| Greece | Bill Zerdes |
| Hungary | Máté Havasi |
| Ireland | François Oger (Proxy) |
| Italy | Bartolomeo Randall D'Aprile |
| Latvia | Elizabete Ltbiete |
| Lithuania | Marius Krasauskas |
| Luxembourg | Gabriela Leao |
| Moldova | Victoria Sirbu |
| Montenegro | Aleksandra Bujkovic |

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| Poland | Edyta Niezgoda (Proxy) |
| Portugal | José Diogo Godinho |
| Romania | Victoria Sirbu (Proxy) |
| Russia | Karina Episkoposyan |
| San Marino | Sara Guerra |
| Slovenia | David Lukanovic |
| Spain | Salva Dobon (Proxy) |
| Sweden | Fredrik Strömberg |
| Switzerland & Liechtenstein* | Valeria Kovalenko (Proxy) |
| The Netherlands | Hanna Tynke Visser |
| Turkey | Nida Pekcan |
| Ukraine | Olena Trofimchuk |

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First Session

After hearing the anthems of Europe, Slovenia and Rotary, President Justin started the meeting by welcoming everyone to the first live ERIC meeting during the Rotaract European Meeting in Ljubljana, Slovenia. After a small introduction, he presented the points of the meeting agenda and passed the word to Secretary Paul, who documented all present Country Representatives as well as Proxies.

Second Session

Update from President Justin:

President Justin presented to the team the latest updates and achievements of the team so far. You can find his presentation with the most important points by clicking [here](#).

Update from Vice President Lucky:

Vice President Lucky presented the latest updates regarding ERIC's webinar, workshops as well as the RotarApp. You can find her presentation together with Susana's presentation by clicking [here](#).

Update from Marketing Director Susana:

The current marketing status which included among others updates on the 30 years campaign, brand book, merchandise etc was presented by the Marketing Director Susana. You can find her presentation together with Lucky's presentation by clicking [here](#).

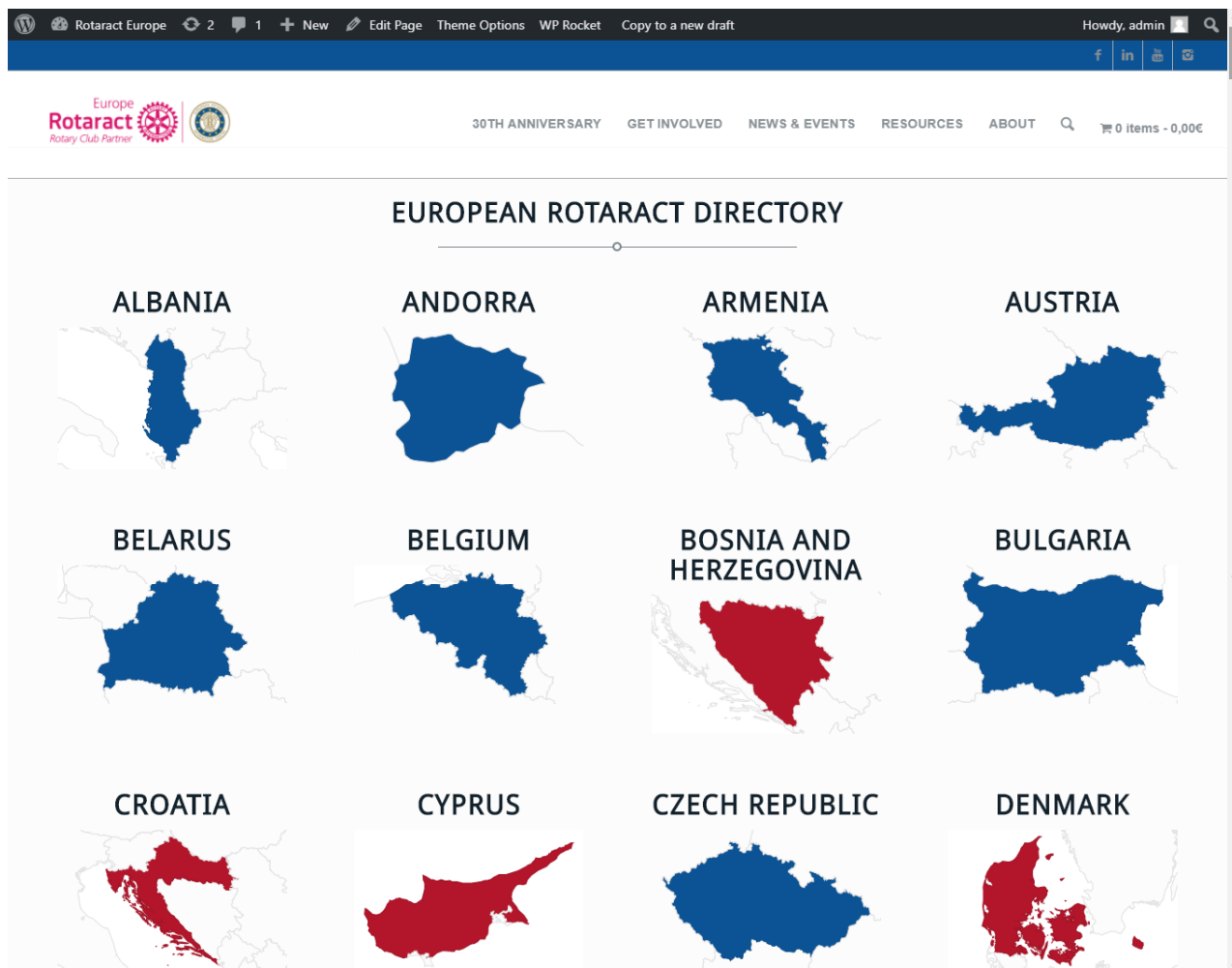
Update from Secretary Paul:

Secretary Paul presented the Rotaract European Directory which can be found at the official ERIC website. He talked about the new features and options the directory has as well as about the countries that have already joined it.

The countries that have already signed the consent form and have filled out the online directory link, are going to be presented and are in RED. The rest of the countries in blue are not going to have a linked page with their directory.

Moreover, he mentioned the remaining two thirds of ERIC countries that have not yet completed their directories or haven't sent the Country Representative Privacy Statement.

(Paul held the presentation through the ERIC website, therefore no uploaded file. For more info you can visit the ERIC website and read the last MOMs).



Update from Treasurer Matthieu:

"This is the new version of the budget that we would like to vote during REM Vilnius.

The following things has been changed:

- We are starting to get support from sponsors and Rotary Districts (only 300EUR promised so far)
- We reduced the budget for sponsored posts on Facebook from 500EUR to 200EUR.
- The budget from branded items, flags, flyers, etc was reduced by over 300EUR.

- District 2240 Turkey covered the costs of the business cards (100EUR)
- We have additional costs for the website (event-on and plug-in) 80EUR
- We will not print certificates
- The amount of participants for CR Dinner was reduced from 40 to 30.

IF we spend everything as the budget shows, we will have a loss of 194EUR for this year. Most probably we will make profit since we might not have all the expenses planned in this budget."

You can find his presentation by clicking [here](#).

Third Session

Update from CR Lithuania Marius:

CR Lithuania Marius presented the latest updates regarding the incoming REM in Vilnius, Lithuania. You can find his presentation by clicking [here](#).

Update from CR Belgium Ben:

CR Lithuania Ben presented the latest updates regarding the incoming EUCO in Antwerp, Belgium. You can find his presentation by clicking [here](#).

Fourth Session

Voting for IT officer 2017/18:

After the resignation of the ERIC IT Officer Christian Püschel, new nominations have been launched. The voting procedure for the new IT officer took place during the ERIC-Meeting in Ljubljana. The only candidate for the position of the IT officer was the ERIC IT officer 2016/17 Bariscan Tunali. The candidate was not present during the meeting. You can find his presentation which was showed during the meeting by clicking [here](#).

Results of the voting procedure regarding the position of the IT officer 2017/18 out a total sum of 115 votes (ERIC Rotaract Districts):

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| In favor: | 93 votes |
| Against: | 22 votes |
| Abstain: | 0 votes |

According to the voting results, Bariscan was appointed from the CRs as the new IT officer 2017/18.

Voting for Social officer 2017/18:

After the removal of the ERIC Social Officer Christian Mielert, new nominations have been launched. The voting procedure for the new Social officer took place during the ERIC-Meeting in Ljubljana. The only candidate for the position of the Social officer was the ERIC Social Assistant 2017/18 Merve Karakaya. You can find the presentation Merve gave during the meeting by clicking [here](#).

Results of the voting procedure regarding the position of the Social officer 2017/18 out a total sum of 115 votes (ERIC Rotaract Districts):

In favor: 80 votes
Against: 28 votes
Abstain: 7 votes

According to the voting results, Merve was appointed from the CRs as the new Social officer 2017/18.

Voting for REM Autumn 2018:

The nominations for the next REM highlighted two candidates. from Italy (Mantua) and Cyprus (Limassol). The Cypriot Country Representative Constantinos Anayiotos as well as the Italian Rotaractor Raimondo Vella were present and gave presentations regarding the REM Autumn 2018. You can find their presentations of Mantua by clicking [here](#), of Limassol [here](#).

Results of the voting procedure regarding the REM Autumn 2018 out a total sum of 115 votes (ERIC Rotaract Districts):

Cyprus: 53 votes
Italy: 60 votes

According to the ERIC bylaws, a 2/3 majority is required for a vote to count. Therefore a revote with Country votes from the present CRs and Proxys followed.

Results of the voting procedure regarding the REM Autumn 2018 out a total sum of 33 Country votes:

Cyprus: 20 votes
Italy: 12 votes

According to the voting results, the REM Autumn 2018 is going to take place in Limassol, Cyprus.

Fifth Session

Voting for ERIC budget 2017/18:

Results of the voting procedure regarding the new budget 2017/18 out a total sum of 115 votes (ERIC Rotaract Districts):

In favor: 25 votes
Against: 57 votes
Abstain: 33 votes

The proposed budget did not pass. The second vote of the budget was to agree to postpone the budget vote until the next online meeting or REM and to use the approved budget of last year until the new budget is approved. The new budget needed more time for development due to the uncertainty in the ERIC fee increase and NGO development.

Results of the second voting procedure regarding the budget 2017/18 out a total sum of 33 Country votes:

In favor: 25 votes
Against: 4 votes
Abstain: 3 votes

Voting for increasing the ERIC fee 2017/18:

Results of the voting procedure regarding the ERIC fee out a total sum of 115 votes (ERIC Rotaract Districts):

In favor: 72 votes
Against: 21 votes
Abstain: 22 votes

According to the ERIC bylaws, a 2/3 majority is required for a vote to count. Therefore a revote with Country votes from the present CRs and Proxys followed.

Results of the voting procedure regarding the ERIC fee out a total sum of 33 Country votes:

In favor: 26 votes
Against: 6 votes
Abstain: 0 votes

According to the voting results, the ERIC fee has been increased to 5 Euros during REM and 7 Euros during EUCCO.

Voting on making ERIC a legal entity:

Results of the voting procedure regarding creating a legal entity out a total sum of 115 votes (ERIC Rotaract Districts):

In favor: 96 votes
Against: 15 votes
Abstain: 4 votes

According to the voting results, the majority agrees with the creation of a legal entity. The board will proceed to prepare all the necessary documents, before submitting them to the assembly vote.

Voting on the new articles 2.5 and 2.6 concerning the removal of ERIC members:

The above mentioned voting topic was postponed until further discussions during the next ERIC meetings take place. Furthermore, It is worth noting that the final form of the two articles has been shared with the CRs only 3 days before the vote. Therefore the time for the CRs to consult with their ERIC districts regarding this voting matter was less than enough.

After completing the voting procedure, an open discussion between the CRs and the board members in the presence of the two removed members, Christian Mielert and Ekaterina Yurkova took place. The Past ERIC President Laura Verdegaal was moderating the discussion. Each member that wished to share his/her opinion regarding the issue of removal which took place during the first months of the Rotarian year took the floor and expressed his/her thoughts. This gathering defused the existing tension of the past weeks and closed the above mentioned issue.

The meeting ended at. approx. 16 pm EET.

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