

## E.R.I.C. EUROPEAN ROTARACT INFORMATION CENTRE

ERIC meeting REM Dublin 22.10.2022



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Country	Number of Rotaract Districts	CR 2022/23	Attending?
Albania	1		
Andorra	0	Thibault Gaborit	1
Armenia	0	Anna Sukiasyan	1
Austria	2	Lukas Wieser	1
Azerbaijan	0	Tural Sahiboğlu	0
Belgium	4	Michel Jacques Verheyen	1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	Rastko Zeljković	1
Bulgaria	1	Yoan Boychev	1
Croatia	1	Lovro Rusak	1
Cyprus	1	Ioanna Gregoriades	0
Czech Republic	1	Jakub Machovec	1
Denmark	5	Jesper Frits Nielsen	1
Finland	6	Miisa Korvenaho	1
France	18	Thibault Gaborit	1
Georgia	0		
Germany	15	Paul Grünzner & Friederike Krüger	1
Greece	1	Lina Tsagkaris	1
Hungary	1	Áron Pammer	1
Iceland	1	Ásthildur Ómarsdóttir	
Italy	14	Emanuela Venturini	1
Latvia	1	Katrīna Marjutina	Proxy: Luize Bankovica Proxy:
Liechtenstein		Michele Serra	Elisabeth Anthunes
Lithuania	1	Tomas Ivanauskas	1
Luxembourg	0	Antonio de Cataldo	1
Monaco	0	Thibault Gaborit	1
Montenegro	0	Jovana Nikčević	0
Moldova	0	Valeria Gamart	1
North Macedonia	0	Marko Paloski	1
Norway	1	n.a.	



Poland	1	Adrianna Kończak	1
Portugal	2	Filipe Sousa	Proxy: Pedro Summavielle
Romania	1	Anca Demea	1
Russia	1	Natalia Baranova	Proxy: Alina Dvornik
San Marino	0	Nicolas Rossini	1
Serbia	1	Tijana Ristic	Proxy: Antonio de Cataldo
Slovakia	0	Zina Škorňová	1
Slovenia	1	Seit Demiri	0
Spain	3	Aleix Vàlios i Duran	1
Sweden	6	Elin Nyberg	1
Switzerland	3	Michele Serra	Proxy: Elisabeth Anthunes
The Netherlands	7	Moreno Weilenmann	1
Turkey	3	Deniz Şahin	0
Ukraine	1	Daria Shevtsova	1
United Kingdom	14	Arianna Castro	0
Total	119		
president		Kārlis Bankovičs	1
Vice-president		Veronika Botsova	1
secretary		Katharina Weingärtner	1
treasurer		Daniel Lazar	1
IT officer		Miguel Coimbra	1
Social officer		Monica Léi	0
Marketing offcier		Hajnalka Nemes	1

34 CRs were present.



## **AGENDA:**

#### **FIRST SESSION**

- 10:00 10:05 Anthem of Ireland, Rotary & Europe
- 10:05 10:10 Welcome, Introduction and presenting the agenda
- 10:10 10:20 Country Call, proxies

## SECOND SESSION

- 10:20 11:30 Updates from the Board 2022-23
- 10:20 10:35 Activities planned for the year and status
- 10:35 10:40 Presenting the budget
- 10:45 11:00 Social
- 11:00 11:10 Marketing
- 11:10 11:20 IT
- 11:20 11:30 Q&A
- 11:30 12:00 Discussion Topics
- 11:30 11:40 Elevate Rotaract
- 11:40 12:00 Aquarium Session
- 12:00 12:15 Coffee Break

#### THIRD SESSION

- 12:15 12:50 Voting topics
- 12:15 12:25 Presentation of Candidates for REM Autumn 2023
- 12:25 12:35 Q&A
- 12:35 12:40 Proposal Voting Topic 2 from the Board
- 12:40 12:50 Q&A
- 12:50 13:15 Voting
- How to Vote
- REM Autumn 2023
- Proposal Voting Topic 2 From The Board
- Announcement of Voting Results

#### **FOURTH SESSION**

- 13:15 - 13:45 Open Mic Session

#### **FIFTH SESSION**

- 13:45 14:30 Updates from the Upcoming Events
- 13:45 13:55 Update REM WINTER 2023 REM Gent
- 13:55 14:00 Q&A



- 14:00 14:10 Update EUCO 2023 EUCO Milano
- 14:10 14:15 Q&A
- 14:15 14:25 Special Announcement
- 14:25 14:30 Q&A

## 14:30 End of the Meeting



#### 1. Anthem of Ireland, Rotary & Europe

## 2. Welcome, Introduction and presenting the agenda

Meeting was opened 10:10

## 3. Country Call, proxies

## 4. Updates from the Board

- 4.1. President update:
  - Karlis introduced Ásthildur as the CR of Iceland
  - Iceland does not have voting rights yet due to the legal documents
  - Congratulations to Adrianna as the CR of Poland for realizing the issue in the legal documents
  - Karlis introduced the Rotary Emergency Fund proposal
    - o Mission: Warm up Ukraine
      - Buy blankets and distribute them in Ukraine
    - o What to do?
      - CRs should apply for RI Emergency funds through their Rotary District
      - It is not possible to have two emergency funds at the same time
      - ERIC will provide the paperwork and CRs only have to apply for it in their district
    - o Each district not-bordering Ukraine: 25.000 USD
    - o Each district bordering Ukraine: 50.000 USD
    - o Full information can be found on the ERIC webpage
    - o For help and representation reach out to the board
  - Print on-demand merchandise
    - o https://forms.gle/PPnviCQ4gPvumoLY9

#### 4.2. Vice-president Update: Veronika

- Help the CRs and make ERIC better
  - o One-on-one Call with each CR
- CR handbook has been sent by Veronika to all CRs
- Survey for past and current CRs in work
- CR weekend survey results
- Christmas with Ukraine
  - Project in cooperation with the Ukrainian Committee
  - Organize Christmas dinner and lunch for Ukrainians in your country
  - Small project with a significant impact
  - Dasha, CR Ukraine: Committee will create Google form for the CRs and for the interested participants



- Upcoming events
  - o World Polio Day 24.10.2022
    - 22.10. RI Polio conference with WHO
  - o ERIC calendar is open for use again
    - Please put in new events from your country in the calendar
  - o #MoveForGECAF project from Rotaract Oceania
  - o REM Gent 26. 29.01.2023 (https://www.remgent2023.be/)
  - o EUCO Milano 24. 28.05.2023 (https://eucomilano.com/)
  - Interota Tunisia 02.03.23 06.03.23 (<a href="http://interota2023.com/">http://interota2023.com/</a>)
- Rotaract Peace Conference
  - o In cooperation with Rotaract Mediterranean
  - o Date: Pre-Interota in the end of February
  - o More information will be shared with you soon

## 4.3. Secretary Introduction: Katharina

- Team introduction
- Please send GDPR forms & CR pictures

## 4.4. Treasurer Update: Dany

- Team introduction
- Introducing the budget

## 4.5. Social Officer Update: Matteo for Monica

- Social team introduction and the committee
- Project directory form can be found on the website
- All projects filled out during the CR meeting will be shared with you online as well
- Projects can be filled out online
- Disaster relief fund -> directory can be filled out online and will be shared with the CRs
- IT will share the technical aspects of the directory
- Example for disaster relief fund → RAH (Rise Against Hunger)
  - Organize a lot of projects in cooperation with RAH to reach the goal of no hunger by 2023
- Project template can be found on the website and be downloaded from the ERIC webpage
- In November there will be a webinar for District Global Grants
  - o Updates about the dates will come soon

#### 4.6. Marketing Update: Hajni

- Marketing and SoMe information → check our website for all marketing tools in "resources"
- All CRs can be found on the website



- CR weekend in Budapest → CR Polos
  - If you do not have a Polo yet and want one, please contact Hajni (costs apply)
- Please share your content, experiences, and story with us for our SoMe
  - Also "outside" of Rotaract people should be able to understand our SoMe → provide basic information about Rotaract and us
  - o Video plans: What is Rotaract, What is REM, ...
  - ERIC articles
  - o Introduction of all ERIC countries → short SoMe post
    - Each country will have a designated day to be share online

## 4.7. IT Officer Update: Miguel

- Renewing the hosting providers & updating the ERIC website
- Adding CR information & mailing list → please reach out to Miguel if you do not receive the information
- Event calendar has been updated
- Project directory
  - o Opportunity to submit your project online
- IT workshop during REM
  - o IT Tools and tips
- Workshops for the future
  - Blockchain and related topics

#### Questions

DRR Slovakia: Is the ERIC website only available for CRs?

- Website is available for everyone and can be shared with clubs and districts
- If you need any assistance, please reach out to your CR

CR Germany: How to contact the districts if you have many?

- Contact Rotaract president of your country first

#### 5. Elevate Rotaract

- As of this year clubs have to pay membership fees to RI
- The fees have to be paid starting January 2023
- Each club has to update their members latest by January 2023 in myrotary.org
- If you are less then 15 members in your club the club will be terminated **UPDATE** this has been proven wrong, please get in contact with your district governor if this is presents itself as a problem
  - o **QUESTION**: Jesper, CR Denmark: How to advise clubs with



- less than 15 members?  $\rightarrow$  the board will reach out to RI in regards of this question
- One of the upcoming webinars will be in cooperation with the incoming president of RI
- o *Taavi, Sweden*: Average Rotaract clubs have 16 members, approx. half the clubs will be affected issues with this topic
- o Jakub, CR Czech Republic → If this will be implemented their whole district will be eliminated
- o Adrianna, CR Poland → by the end of October RI will try to send draft invoice to all club treasurers → all DRRs should have received information about this
- o Issue will be discussed with Rotary International
- o Jesper, CR Denmark: in the past, RI was not as strict with the termination of clubs
- o Adrianna, CR Poland: myRotary pays more attention when the clubs are not updated more frequently → so please update members regularly
- Question: What does Elevate Rotaract really mean for us?

## 6. Aquarium Session

- Multiple workshops happening simultaneously
- Time management of workshops is important no extra activities at the same time
- Inviting the participants of the event to be guest speakers
- Incorporating the workshops into some fun activities
- Alessandro, EUCO Milano: more interactive workshops and including them into the extra activities
- E.g., city tour could be integrated in a workshop, the workshop could be part of the city tour "guided workshop tour" "EUCO experience"
- Using the Rotaract network to bring guest speakers
- Early-bird ticket access only through participating workshops
- "360 EUCO"

## SEE APPENDIX FOR AQUARIUM SESSION SUMMARY

#### 7. Coffee Break

- Viking Clap CR Iceland

#### 8. Presentation of Candidates for REM Autumn 2022

- See presentation attached
- Question: are the prices of packages for REM Stockholm first wave? → yes
- Question: Will the funding make the tickets cheaper? → no, but make the planning more secure



- Question: Is the second hotel the cheaper option? → 100 beds in the cheaper hostel have been booked, 1 bed approx. 100€ for 3 nights, per person
- Question: workshop ideas? → in work at the moment

## 9. Proposal Voting Topic 2 from the Board

- See presentation attached
- Question: How will the budget be divided between the board members? → will be decided each year by the treasurer and the incoming president each year

## 10. Voting

- Voting was opened at 13:08
- Voting was closed at 13:23
- Voting topic 1: Autumn REM 2023
- Candidates: Stockholm
  - o Voting has been accepted with the following percentages:
  - o YES: 92 votes, 94,85 %
  - o NO: 5 votes, 5,15%
  - Abstain: 0 votes, 0,00%
- Voting topic 2: Change of the ERIC fees
  - o Voting has been accepted with the following percentages:
  - o **YES**: 88 votes, 90,72%
  - o NO: 8 votes, 8,25%
  - Abstain: 1 vote, 1,03%

#### 11. Updates EUCO 2023 - EUCO Milano

- See presentation attached
- Question: will there also be other music besides techno → yes

#### 12. Updates REM Winter 2023 - REM Gent

- See presentation attached
- No questions for REM Gent

## 13. Update from Post REM Luxembourg

- See presentation attached
- Question: will booked packages be cancelled if CRs do not meet the payment deadline due to REM Dublin? → if the payment has not been received by the HOC the treasurer will send a reminder and REM Dublin participants will get a few more days, if they answer the emails

#### 14. Open MIC Session

- Invitation to the workshop at 15:00
- Run against Childhood Center
- See presentation attached
- Idea: include running event during EUCO Milano, because the



- end date of the project is the first day of EUCO Milano
- Question: how long/ much can people run? → as much as they want in a set period of time, kilometers and not the pace counts
- Question: Who is donating the money that people run for? > Money comes from whoever wants to give money to the participants, need for a landing page for donations
- Jakub, CR Czech Republic: For events (REM Gent, Stockholm & EUCO Milano): Create "How to guidelines" One Pager for the participants, e.g. How to get to the airport, how to get to the hotel...
- Include schedule on the back of the Nametag
- Michele, CR Switzerland: include the information that participants should contact their CRs first for questions
- Lovro, CR Croatia: Information from the HOC Team Dublin asked
  - o Unfortunately, no one from the HOC team attended the ERIC meeting

## **End of Meeting**

Meeting was ended at 14:21

Written by Katharina Weingärtner

E.R.I.C. President Kārlis Bankovičs

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