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Minutes
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Members present: Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgrade (Serbia), Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Leuven (Belgium), Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom.

Observers present: Montenegro

Others present: Clara Chetcuti (CC, President), Nicola Falzon (NF, Vice-president), Mónica Duarte (MD, Secretary General), Luc Horvat (LH, Finance Officer), Tiago Moderno (TM, Marketing Officer), Erika Kajátiová (EK, Member Representatives Officer), Andreas Anthimou (AA, Events Officer), BM 2016-2017, Executive Board 2017-2018, Monika Schwärzler (adjudicator)

Minutes by: Mónica Duarte (MD, Secretary General)

Topics/agenda:

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3. Voting rules
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<td>1. Welcome</td>
<td>CC and NF welcome everyone to the General Assembly.</td>
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<td>2. Procedures</td>
<td>NF explains that the proposals being voted upon have been discussed during the GA II preparation session.</td>
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<td>- Local Organisations have one vote, National and Regional Organisations have two votes.</td>
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<td>- The voting options are: in favour, against or abstaining.</td>
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- It will be followed Robert’s Rule of Order.
- Majority is reached for half the votes plus one.

4. **Presentation of the agenda**
- CC presents the agenda of this General Assembly.
- There are 4 proposals to be voted upon.

5. **Quorum check**
- Quorum has been met.
- CC asks if there are requests for anonymous voting.

6. **Proposal 1:**
   **Presentation and approval of the nominated Executive Board 2017-2018**
- CC presents the members of the Executive Board for the mandate 2017-2018 and proposes to approve the nominations.
- Please refer to the list attached following the minutes.
- Gabija (Lithuania): Why are there people with two positions?
- CC: According to our Statutes and Domestic Regulations, EBs can have up to two positions within the Executive Board.
- CC: If there are no questions, I would ask you to vote in favour, abstaining or in favour and raise your hands when you are done.

57 in favour
0 abstaining
0 against
The proposal passes.

7. **Proposal 2:**
   **Presentation and approval of the Ethics Committee 2017-2018**
- CC proposes to approve the Ethics Committee for the mandate 2017-2018. Ana Odabasic, Immediate Past President, is automatically within the Ethics Committee.
- CC: Are there any questions? If not, I’ll ask you to vote in favour, against or abstaining and raise your hands in case you are done.

57 in favour
0 abstaining
0 against
The proposal passes.

8. **Proposal 3:**
   **Presentation and approval of EFPSA in Numbers Task Force 2017-2018**
- CC presents the members of the EFPSA in Numbers Task Force for the mandate 2017-2018 and proposes to approve the nominations.
- CC: Are there any questions? If there are no questions, I would ask you to vote in favour, abstaining or in favour and raise your hands when you are done.

57 in favour
0 abstaining
0 against
The proposal passes.

9. **Proposal 4:**
   **Approval of Calling the Operating Grant Management Task Force**
- LH asks Karla Matic to explain the proposal.
- KM: EFPSA has a grant that we got from Erasmus+ and there are some flaws on how we are managing so far. Therefore, we would like to have a TF to deal with this TF, read documents and check legal

57 in favour
0 abstaining
0 against
requirements. This TF will create documents so then other teams can deal with it once we leave the team and can apply again to similar grants.

- CC: If there are no questions, I’ll ask you to vote in favour, against or abstaining and raise your hands in case you are done.

The proposal passes.

10. Counting of the votes

- The adjudicators collect the sheets and count the votes.
- Laura (Belgium) makes an announcement: Sugar cubes is for people to write messages to other people, it is an EFPSA tradition. It is in the chill out room so you can go there and write. Some people are leaving on the 4pm bus so if you want
- Karla (Croatia): When is the closing ceremony?
- CC: It is at 18h30 as it is in the schedule. There will be a workshop before closing ceremony in the MR room and it will be delivered by Lea and Fabian.
- Simone: When will it start?
- CC: 5pm until 18h30 and at 18h30 will meet here for the Closing Ceremony and Upcoming Events Session.

11. Intentions for the mandate

- CC: NF will present our intentions for the mandate apart the ones we presented during our speeches during GA1 Session II.
- NF: We have mentioned the Strategic Plan a few times, this is the mandate where the Strategic Plan for 2018-2023 will be completed based on the last mandate draft. It is a big task but we are very looking forward it. We have a lot of interesting ideas because we had a Working Community brainstorming on it so we have a lot of ideas to include in the plan. We’ll focused on recognition and endorsement from BM and ERO attending Events and also increasing our policies as you saw we added 2 team members for policy. We want to focus on WC empowerment. We saw you during mandate kick off and teambuilding, so as BM, we see the importance of empower the WC. We also added the internal working practices. It has been discussed since last mandate and a lot of issues have happened on this week so we want to go home and think, evaluate and see what to do about it. We want to improve internal and external communication and we want to make it better because communication is key. Now we will have two Task Forces. This came up from our meetings and people who came to talk with us throughout the
week. You will see that through our Action Plans that will be sent to you for the first time, I think.

12. Closing  - CC and NF thank everyone's presence and remind when Closing Ceremony and Upcoming Events Session will take place.