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Minutes - Bureau meeting 2010

Date: Thursday 4th of February, 7 PM CET

Attending: Bart, Frederik, Naomi, Mirna, Dries, Sarah
Absent with notification: Jan, Jordi, Jan Argy
Absent without notification: Mauricio
Minute taker: Sarah

Agenda:

Opening
A) Decisions
B) Consultation
C) Updates
D) AOB

***Opening** - A decision to move forward on the meeting was taken despite there not being Bureau members to reach voting quorum due to absence at the start. In the course of the meeting the quorum was reached.*

Note is being taken of the comments made by Jan-Argy on the various agenda points.

A) Decisions

o. Minutes

***Background/Context:** Its important to set some rules with regards to the minutes that we are taking of each Bureau meeting.*

***Proposal:** We will be adopting the following rules with regards to the minutes:*

- i) Every Bureau Member takes the responsibility for taking the minutes on a rotating basis;
- ii) The minutes shall be taking a result-oriented format;
- iii) The minutes shall be put online 48 hours after the Bureau Meeting by the respective minute taker, after having the final version endorsed by the President.



Outcome: There was a suggestion that there should be a 24h window for Bureau members to review minutes before they are published publicly. The format with accepted changes to a new review time frame was accepted and will be reviewed after a trial and error use. A new time frame will be added for the BM to approve the draft before publication.

1. Executive Director

Background/Context: Due to the end of Sarah's contract a search has taken place for a new ED. The various phases of the recruitment process has resulted in a final candidate which should be endorsed by the Bureau.

Concrete proposal: To hire the candidate as proposed by Frederik/Bart/Jan/Sarah.

Outcome: Frederik and the hiring panel made the recommendation to hire Mane Manukyan who is active in our partners in Armenia. There was a question regarding the hiring process which was described step by step. The support to hire Mane was unanimous.

2. Q&A Session on the PoA with MOs

Background/Context: IFLRY should increase the visibility of our PoA, the engagement of MOs with it and the level of transparency of our work by having a one hour session to which MOs can subscribe in order to ask questions and talk about the PoA. People have been contacting members of the Bureau asking questions and instead of answering all of them individually it would be more effective to answer them all at once. This is not a substitute for the EC endorsement procedure; just a Q&A related to what we as the Bureau have drafted for the PoA.

Concrete proposal: To conduct a Q&A session before the end of February between at least the President and up to 15 MO representatives on the content of the PoA.

Outcome: The other Bureau members were welcomed to join if their schedule permits. The idea was accepted and will move forward and where a process and time frame will be set.

3. Appointment of Programme Manager on Climate Change

Background/Context: IFLRY has had a Climate Change Programme since June 2009 and this has been led by Stephan Korte (Julis, Germany), and successfully so.

Concrete Proposal: To appoint Stephan Korte (Julis, Germany) as IFLRY Programme Manager on Climate Change until the 31st of December 2010.

Outcome: Positive recommendation for Stephan's position to be extended.



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B) Consultations

1. Financial Plan of Action 2009-2011

Background/Context: A first draft of the financial plan of action for 2010-2011 has been drafted by Jan and is open for your input.

Question(s): Please look at the document submitted by Jan to the Bureau list and prepare your feedback.

Outcome: Comments are to be now made in follow up emails and more emails regarding the process are to follow.

2. Study Session in Strasbourg

Background/Context: Our first study session is coming up in 2,5 months and preparations should start accordingly. In particular, a seminar team needs to be formed and the Bureau needs to think of how to manage this team (and who should be included).

Question(s): Check whether you can be available for this session between the 18th and the 25th of April as either a trainer or as a participant. Also think about which young liberals would be a good fit for the seminar team.

Outcome: Suggestions were made for the team. Follow up on this within the next 7 days.

C) Updates

1. Cuba Programme

Content: There will be an update sent to the Bureau list over the next 7 days.

2. Venue of the GA 2010

Content: While there is not an official proposal as of yet but IFLRY is looking into having the GA in Lebanon during November hosted by Future Youth. There will also be an update



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regarding the venue for the upcoming EC.

3. ECOSOC NGO Procedure

Content: Naomi is currently in NYC attending the ECOSOC NGO meeting. Our application is being postponed as new questions are pending. Several countries keep on asking questions which postpones our applications as a strategy to not reject our application but keep it pending. IFLRY will need to develop a long term lobby strategy if we wish to continue the application process.

4. FNF Seminars

Content: During 2010, FNF has opened access to their seminars to an IFLRY delegation. The seminars bring together different NGOs and liberal parties from around the world, except N.America and Europe. In January 2010, the guidelines have changed and they are now accepting participants from Germany and "industrialized" countries. They are high profile seminars held in Germany with professional trainers and lectures. More information regarding the dates and topics of the seminar will be sent out, along with a procedure of how to nominate IFLRY participants.

D) Any Other Business

1. Newsletter: A new format for the newsletter will be adopted. The newsletter content will be discussed at each Bureau call during the first week and then sent out the second week of the month. Topics for the upcoming newsletter: Cuba (Bart), ECOSOC (Naomi), Goodbye (Sarah), Plan of Action (Bart), Geneva Summit (Bart and Naomi). The deadline is Feb 8th.

-Meeting was closed-