



EFPSA

General Assembly I

Minutes

Joint EB&MR Meeting 2016
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Members present: Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium (Leuven), Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Ireland, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia (Belgrade), Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom

Observers present: Macedonia

Others present: Clara Chetcuti (CC, President), Nicola Falzon (NF, Vice-president), Jolien Vandeneynde (JV, Secretary General), Ana Skeljo (AS, Finance Officer), Maciej Kucharski (MK, Marketing Officer), Monica Duarte (MD, Events Officer), Benedickt Rickny (as adjudicator), Amra Dzindo (Member Observer Coordinator)

Minutes by: Jolien Vandeneynde (JV, Secretary General)

Topics/agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Agenda & Voting Rules
3. Quorum Check
4. Approval of the JRP 2017 Coordinator
5. Approval of the JRP 2017 Team
6. Approval of Train the Trainers 2017 Coordinator
7. Approval of the Introduction of the position of Social Media Responsible
8. Approval of Updating the Privacy Policy
9. Approval of modifications to grammar, syntax, language & referenced items
10. Approval of reference to CVI article in the Domestic Regulations
11. Approval of clause regarding duration of Observer Organisation status
12. Approval of addition of process to become an MO under Regional Organisation
13. Proposal 1.6.5 regarding MR nomination and proposal 1.6.6 regarding Delegation of Representation
14. Approval of addition of a reference to the Domestic Regulations Article 8
15. Approval of reference to Delegation of Voting Rights document
16. Approval of extending deadline for GA minutes and significant outcomes to 60 days
17. Counting of the votes and Outcomes

Topic	Discussion	Decision
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1. Welcome	- Clara Chetcuti welcomes everyone to the General Assembly.	
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- 2. Agenda & Voting Rules**
- Benny will be the adjudicator.
 - Proposals 1.6.5 and 1.6.6 will be moved to GAII because Artemis (MRO) is absent and these proposals will have to be discussed within the BM.
 - Voting will happen anonymously.
- 3. Quorum Check** - Quorum has been met.
- 4. Approval of the JRP 2017 Coordinator**
- Nicola Falzon explains the reasoning for choosing Katarina Velikovic for the position of JRP 2017 Coordinator
 - Katarina was the Senior Coordinator of European Summer School 2016 and thus has relevant experience within EFPSA. She knows the EFPSA structure and has awareness of the Junior Researcher Programme.
 - She was both a participant as well as the organiser of ESS. She knows the amount of work that comes with both positions. She excelled in crisis management and proved she can work well under pressure and in extreme circumstances. She is already in contact with the JRP participants, Supervisor and Advisor, which is a great advantage.
 - As a JRP alumnus, Katarina knows the structure of the old JRP and can guide the development of the new JRP.
 - Katarina possesses great leadership skills and she's a team player who is very motivated to strengthen the EFPSA JRP. Furthermore she is easy to communicate with and has expressed that she will be available throughout the mandate to guide the team.
 - No questions asked.
- The proposal passes.
48 in favour
0 against
0 abstaining
- 5. Approval of the JRP 2017 Team**
- Nicola Falzon explains the reasoning for choosing Nika Cermak, Chloé Beatty and Alison Corbally for the positions of JRP 2017 Team.
 - Nika Cermak (Slovenia) as proposed Research Responsible, Chloé Beatty (Ireland) as proposed Conference Responsible and Alison Corbally (Ireland) as proposed Internship Responsible.
 - Nika has experienced the JRP as a Junior Researcher. She has a good understanding of the programme and this will help her in one of her main tasks which is communicating the needs of JRP groups and Supervisors.
 - Nika has a good understanding of her position and responsibilities. She shows organisational and
- The proposal passes.
48 in favour
0 against
0 abstaining

personnel selection skills which will help her with her responsibilities. Nika is very motivated and willing to facilitate the progress of the JRP groups.

- Chloe has experience organising events and shows great communication and organisation skills, which will be invaluable in her position.
- She previously has secured speakers for scientific events, has a big interest in research and is already in contact with Irish professionals.
- Alison showed a strong motivation to apply for a position in EFPSA and the position of Internship Responsible in particular. Her goals are aimed at providing the best possible experience for students. Her ideas for JRP 2017 are concrete and specific, yet realistic.
- Alison's skill-set proves to be in line with the role requirements. She has experience in organising programmes for students and fundraising, which will be invaluable for her role. Her involvement in the Irish MO suggests she will get a lot of support in organising this event, given the good working relationship she has with her co-workers.
- No questions asked.

6. Approval of the TtT 2017 Coordinator

- Monica Duarte presents the reasoning for choosing Katja Feiler from the Netherlands for the position of TtT 2017 Coordinator.
- Team members are member of their MO and support from the MO is ensured.
- Team members and the coordinator in particular show experience in organising events, teamwork and leaderships roles.
- Three ideas of venues were described which create several possibilities with different prices and characteristics.
- Regarding partners, the team considered universities, psychology associations, their MO and cultural/training companies as their main priority. The team is aware of potential sponsors and partners and have good connections in the Netherlands.
- The Netherlands is a good location for TtT as many contacts from the EFPSA Training Office are based there. The EFPSA Training Office intends to contact them to support the organisers in any way possible.
- No questions asked.

The proposal passes.
48 in favour
0 against
0 abstaining

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| <p>7. Approval of the introduction of the position of Social Media Responsible</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maciej Kucharski presents the proposal. - Following a needs analysis of EFPSA by the Board of Management it was agreed that overseeing the social media channels of EFPSA became more time-consuming over the past few years. Therefor the Board of Management proposed the introduction of this new position in the Executive Board under Marketing Office to improve the accessibility and visibility of EFPSA through social media. - The duties of this individual will include creating a social media strategy, finding new solutions to increase EFPSA's reach, creating a schedule for all official EFPSA Page posts and ensuring accordance to the CVI guidelines. - No questions asked. | <p>The proposal passes.</p> <p>47 in favour</p> <p>0 against</p> <p>1 abstaining</p> |
| <p>8. Approval of Updating the Privacy Policy</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clara Chetcuti presents the proposal - The Privacy Policy was last revised in 2013 so both the Policy Coordinator and the Board of Management agreed that it needed an update. The first task of the Policy Coordinator was to revise this document. After a careful analysis of how EFPSA functions now and how it will function in the near future the document was updated and will come into effect with the introduction of the new EFPSA website. - No questions asked. | <p>The proposal passes.</p> <p>48 in favour</p> <p>0 against</p> <p>0 abstaining</p> |
| <p>9. Approval of Amendments of the Statutes & Domestic Regulations. Proposal 1.6.1 Throughout: Approval of modifications regarding grammatical errors, syntax, clarification of language and correction of wrongly referenced items</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nicola Falzon presents this proposal. - She explains that it are mostly small changes regarding grammar, syntax and clarification of language. - No questions asked. | <p>The proposal passes.</p> <p>48 in favour</p> <p>0 against</p> <p>0 abstaining</p> |
| <p>10. 1.6.2 Page 4: Approval of an addition of</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clara Chetcuti presents this proposal - She explains that there was a reference to the CVI article in the Domestic Regulations missing in the | <p>The proposal passes.</p> |

reference to CVI article in the Domestic Regulations. Statutes.
- No questions asked.
48 in favour
0 against
0 abstaining

11. 1.6.3 Page 5: Approval of a clause stating that organisations can only hold the status of Observer Organisation for a maximum duration of two mandates. - Nicola Falzon presents this proposal
- She explains that the clause states that organisations can only hold the status of Observer Organisation for a maximum of two mandates. This is to ensure that organisations don't abuse the status of being Observer Organisation.
- No questions asked.
The proposal passes.
45 in favour
2 against
1 abstaining

12. 1.6.4 Page 6: Approval of an addition of the process to become a Member Organisation under Regional Organisation. - Clara Chetcuti presents this proposal
- Addition to the Statutes about the process of a Regional Member Organisation becoming a National Member Organisation.
- No questions asked.
The proposal passes.
48 in favour
0 against
0 abstaining

13. Proposal 1.6.5 and Proposal 1.6.6 - Proposal 1.6.5: Page 7: Approval of a proposal regarding the nomination of a Member Representative that has to be approved by the organisation's board. This proposal was postponed to GAIL.
- Proposal 1.6.6: Approval of addition of a text to the EFPSA Domestic Regulations, Article 10. Introduction of Delegation of Representation Document. This proposal was postponed to GAIL.
The proposals are postponed until GAIL.

14. 1.6.7 Page 9: Approval of the addition of a reference to the EFPSA Domestic Regulations, Article 8. - Clara Chetcuti presents the proposal.
- Adding a missing reference to the Domestic Regulations, Article 8 in the Statutes.
- No questions asked.
The proposal passes.
48 in favour
0 against
0 abstaining

15. 1.6.8 Page 12: Approval of the addition of a - Clara Chetcuti presents this proposal.
- Proposal to add a reference to the Delegation of Voting Rights document in the Statutes.
The proposal passes.

reference to the document required to be sent to the EFPSA Secretary General outlining the delegate to the General Assembly.

- No questions asked.

48 in favour
0 against
0 abstaining

16. 1.6.9 Page 21: Approval of proposal regarding extending the deadline for General Assembly minutes and significant outcomes to 60 days, as minutes need to be approved at the e-Voting prior to their dissemination.

- Nicola Falzon presents the proposal.
- Proposal to extend the deadline for disseminating General Assembly minutes and significant outcomes to 60 days. Minutes need to be approved by MRs through e-Voting before being disseminated.
- No questions asked.

The proposal passes.
46 in favour
2 against
0 abstaining

17. Counting of the votes and Outcomes.

- Amra and Benny count the votes.
- Results of the voting are announced.
- Closing of the General Assembly.