



Minutes of annual general meeting of **European Network of Prosecutors for the Environment aisbl (ENPE)** held at Magdalen College, Oxford, United Kingdom on 20 September 2017 at 18.15.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
	Anne Brosnan (AB)	President and Full Member, United Kingdom
	Rob de Rijck	Vice President and Full Member, Netherlands
	Lars Magnusson	Secretary General and Full Member, Sweden
	Lorna Dempsey	Treasurer and Full Member, Ireland
	J Philippe Rivaud (by his proxy AB)	International Vice President, France
	Tarjei Istad (by his proxy, AB)	Full Member, Norway
	Christos Naintos	Full Member, Greece
	Leila Suvintola	Full Member, Finland
	Antonio Vercher	Full Member, Spain
<b>OBSERVERS:</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
	Peter Ashford	UK Environment Agency
	Shaun Robinson	UK Environment Agency
	Aisling Kelly	Irish Environmental Protection Agency
	Chris People	NEEMO
	Angus Innes	UK Environment Agency
	Lina Chatziathanasion	Counsel of the Republic of Cyprus
	Anja Wuest	Staatsanwaltschaft Frankfurt
	Kristina Persson	Swedish Prosecution Authority
	Maria Johansson	Swedish Prosecution Authority
	Jörgen Lindberg	Swedish National Unit for Environmental Crimes
	Bart Van Vossel	Prosecutor's Office East Flanders
	Wanja Welke	Prosecution Office Frankfurt/Main
	Christer Jarlås	Swedish Prosecution Authority



## 1. CHAIRPERSON

Anne Brosnan was appointed Chairperson of the meeting.

## 2. QUORUM

- 2.1 **It was noted** that a quorum was present and the meeting would accordingly proceed to business.
- 2.2 **There was produced** an agenda for the meeting together with copies of the President's and Vice President's reports. The Chairperson proceeded to take the meeting through the agenda.

## 3. REPORTS

- 3.1 **The President** presented her report on the activities of ENPE since incorporation, noting in particular that:
- (a) the network was incorporated on 14 October 2016 with 'Founding Members' from the UK, Netherlands, Sweden and Ireland;
  - (b) all existing members of ENPE's unincorporated predecessor were rolled over to become 'Full Members' of ENPE;
  - (c) membership has also grown with a further 6 Full Members being admitted (taking the total to 15) as well as further Observers and Supporting Members. There are 3 membership applications pending;
  - (d) ENPE has also been active through its LIFE-ENPE project and through periodic board meetings and liaison activities with partners both within Europe and beyond; and
  - (e) ENPE has sought to keep Members abreast of its activities through periodic newsletters and other means. The next newsletter is planned for shortly after the enforcement networks conference.
- 3.2 **The Secretary General** presented his report, reiterating the positive steps to increase ENPE's Membership and noting in particular that, ENPE had taken over the website from its unincorporated predecessor and that this had been substantially updated, including through the addition of a case law database.



3.3 **The Treasurer** presented her report and ENPE's accounts for the past financial year. She explained that funding for ENPE was from two sources:

- (a) funding for the ENPE-LIFE project, which is controlled by the Environment Agency of England not ENPE directly; and
- (b) ENPE's own funds, available for non-project related expenditure, with a current bank account balance of £21,971.85. There has been no income or expenditure to/from this account during the last financial year.

3.4 **The Vice President** presented a report, noting in particular his chairmanship of the waste working party and its activity to develop the case law database and training materials.

#### 4. **DISCHARGE AND APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS**

4.1 **The Chairperson** invited Peter Ashford to speak. He explained that at incorporation Jonathan Robinson had been appointed as a Director and as ENPE's President. However, Mr Robinson formally resigned as a Director and President of ENPE from 14 October 2016. Peter Ashford further explained that, in accordance with ENPE's Articles of Association and Internal Rules of Procedure, the remaining Directors had appointed Anne Brosnan as a Director and President in Jonathan Robinson's place but that it was for the Members, if they considered it appropriate, to ratify this decision or to appoint an alternative.

**The Chairperson** therefore put the matter to Members. **It was resolved unanimously that Anne Brosnan be confirmed in her offices as Director and President of ENPE.**

#### 5. **MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2018 FINANCIAL YEAR**

5.1 **The Chairperson** confirmed that initial membership fees for ENPE's first financial year (2017) have been €0 (zero euros). Funding for ENPE's activities has been provided through the generous support of the European Union LIFE Programme, matched with support from the Founding Members and EUFJE.



- 5.2 **The Chairperson further** confirmed that this support is anticipated to extend until 2020 so the Board proposes that membership fees remain at €0 (zero euros) for the next financial year (2018).

This was put to the Members and **it was resolved unanimously that ENPE's membership fees for the next financial year (2018) be set at €0 (zero euros).**

6. **OTHER BUSINESS**

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

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Chairperson

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