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European Network of Prosecutors for the Environment - ENPE

**Meeting of the Board of Directors
29 July 2019 10.00hrs – 11.00hrs (CET)
Scotland House & teleconference**

Present: Anne Brosnan (EA, Chair); Rob de Rijck (FP); David Smith (EPA) – via teleconference; Lars Magnusson (REMA, Sweden);

Apologies: Antonio Vercher Noguera (State Attorney General's Office, Spain); Jean-Philippe Rivaud, (MoJ, France)

In attendance: Shaun Robinson (EA, Secretariat)

10.00 hrs meeting starts

Notes & Actions

1. Apologies and Declarations of Interest

AB noted that Jean-Philippe Rivaud and Antonio Vercher Noguera have given their apologies but that four directors were present at the Board meeting, which was therefore quorate.

No declarations of interest were noted.

2. Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

The Board considered and approved the minutes from the last meeting (04.04.19).

The Board noted the completed actions and discussed the following updates:

- ACTION – SR research assistant would be dropped
- ACTION – Dutch SoS to open ENPE 2019 conference was ongoing, waiting to hear back
- AB updated on J-P R position, he is now based in Limoges, Central France as Chief Prosecutor.
- ACTION – AB to share Elizabeth Staunton's name with Eurojust Frank Cassidy– ongoing.

There were no questions and all actions were agreed and signed off.

3. Officer reports including Board reorganisation

ENPE Officer reports

AB delivered the President's report (shared with members).

AB advised that the LIFE-ENPE project had been used on 2 occasions as an exemplar project for the EU Life Governance team at their workshops.

LM for the Secretary's report said there were no updates to share.



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AB gave a short Treasurer's report (in the absence of an ENPE Treasurer), noting that Lorna Dempsey would remove her name as a signatory for the ENPE bank account at KBC and that a new second signatory was needed.

Rob de Rijck agreed to be the second signatory for the ENPE bank account. AB, SR and RdR attended on KBC bank after the meeting and secured these changes. The current balance in the ENPE aisbl bank a/c is 28,922.74 euros.

Board Reorganisation

The Board discussed proposals for changes in the Board structure and responsibilities by reason of the impending EU Exit by the UK.

After some discussion we agreed that we could not progress any future proposals until such time as Board members could confirm they had the necessary approvals, time and resources available for any changing responsibilities.

It was agreed that if the position were to change or clarify, the Board could reconvene, if necessary by telecon to consider alternative proposals in advance of the AGM.

4. New Membership applications

Application forms and supporting details had been shared for four new member applications. They were:

- Aisling Kelly; Office of Director of Public Prosecutions, Ireland - Supporting Member;
- Piotr Nowak; Regional Prosecutor's office, Szczecin, Poland - Supporting Member;
- Austria; Austrian Constitutional Ministry of Affairs, Reforms, Deregulation & Justice - Full Member;
- Switzerland; Prosecutor's Office of the Canton of Zurich – Full Member.

All four applications were approved by the Board.

NEW ACTION – SR to notify each applicant that their application was successful and send out welcome pack and letter and update records.

5. ENPE aisbl: The 'After-Life'

- 1) Collaborative projects:
SR updated on SWIPE & JUST – both now submitted; AB updated on BIOVAL – suggested we should participate but not lead.

NEW ACTION – DS volunteered to represent ENPE because of his knowledge of similar projects/ELD and SR to update Farah Bouquelle.

- 2) FPA application: outline application to be made
SR updated – the FPA documents were in draft. Board would need to see with comments included.



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NEW ACTION – SR to share latest draft FPA documents with Board

3) ECA update

AB had attended the ECA Forum meeting in Brussels on 14 May 2019. It had gone well.

6. Feedback from conferences, seminars, workshops attended/ forward look to those forthcoming:

- CMS Bern conv. MIKT meeting (Angus) Rome; 08-10 May 2019
- LIFE workshop – Brussels; 16 May 2019
- EJTN training on EU Environmental Law – Trier; 27-28 May 2019

NEW ACTION – SR to contact EJTN to see how this training session went and whether ENPE can assist going forward

- EJTN GA (Teodor Nita attended for ENPE) – Bucharest; 27 June 2019
- International Sea Pollution conference – Toulon; 4-5 July 2019 – no feedback as yet

AB noted that from feedback received, all had gone well.

Forward Look:

- EUFJE Annual Conference – Helsinki; 13-14 September 2019
- BIOVAL kick off meeting – Brussels; 27 September 2019
- NEEL meeting – Helsinki; 27 September 2019
- ENPE & EUROJUST conference, The Hague; 28-30 October 2019
- IMPEL GA – Helsinki; November 2019
- CMS COP13; Gandhinagar, India 17-22 Feb 2019.

NEW ACTION – SR to consult with members to see if anyone wanted to attend those events that hadn't yet had confirmed ENPE attendees

No items of AOB were raised.

Signed by meeting Chair.....



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Appendix 1 – ENPE aisbl Membership and Observers

ENPE aisbl Full Members:

- Riksenheten for Milijo-och Arbestsmiljomal vid Aklagarmyndigheten, Sweden
- Environmental Protection Agency, Republic of Ireland
- Environment Agency, England
- Openbaar Ministerie, Functioneel Parket, Netherlands
- Vrchni statni zastupitelstvi v Praz (High Public Prosecutor's Office, Prague), Czech Republic
- Rigsadvokaten (Director of Public Prosecutions Office), Denmark
- Ministere de la Justice (Ministry of Justice), France
- Ökokrim (National Authority for Investigation and Prosecution of Economic and Environmental Crime), Norway
- State Attorney's Office General, Republic of Croatia
- Finnish Prosecution Service, Finland
- Prosecution Office of the Republic of Latvia, Latvia
- Fiscalia General del Estado (State Attorney General's Office), Spain
- Assoc. of Public Prosecutors, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- Greek Public Prosecution Service, Greece
- General Prosecutor's Office, Republic of Albania
- Italian Environmental Network of Prosecutors General
- Cyprus Law Office
- Public Ministry Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice (Romania)
- Public Prosecution Service of Portugal, Portugal

ENPE aisbl Supporting Members:

- Sara Boogers; Public Prosecutors Office, Antwerp
- Carla Campanaro; LAV, Italy
- Lorna Dempsey; Milieu, Brussels



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- Teodor Nita, General Prosecutors Office attached to Court of Appeal
Constanza, Romania

ENPE aisbl Observers:

- Dublin City Council, Ireland (is main contact)
- Eurojust (Renske Mackor is contact)
- State Environmental Inspectorate, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- European Forum of Judges for the Environment
- International Association of Prosecutors
- Association of Prosecutors in Bulgaria.
- Brazilian Federal Prosecution Service
- Croatian Ministry of Energy and Environment
- TRAFFIC;
- Crown Prosecution Service (Alison Plant)