



International Paneuropean Union

Minutes of the General Assembly held in Osijek on 21 October 2017

The General Assembly took place in connection with the Paneuropean Conference “Dissolution of Empires – Totalitarian Systems – World War II – Creating the European Union and Schengen Europe”, organised by the Croatian Pan-European Union in cooperation with the International Paneuropean Union in Osijek, 20 – 22 October 2017.

The delegations from the following countries were present: France, Belgium, Spain, Germany, Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo, Macedonia and Ukraine.

1. Opening

The International President Alain Terrenoire opened the General Assembly on Saturday 21 October 2017 at 14.30 P.M. and expressed thanks to the Croatian organisers and all attending delegates for their participation in the General Assembly.

2. Activity reports

Reports on the Paneuropean activities in the recent period and on future projects were presented by Nevenka Nekić (Vice-President of the Croatian PEU), Gordana Đurović (President of the Montenegrin PEU), Arian Krasniqi (President of the PEU Kosovo), Laris Gaiser (President of the PEU Slovenia), Anna Grünwald (Vice-President of the PEU Hungary), Ihor Zhaloba (President of the PEU Ukraine) and Philippe Nuss (Secretary General of the PEU France Alsace).

The Deputy General Secretary Julien Vanderbeeken gave an account of the activities of the Paneuropean Working Group in the European Parliament.

3. Budgetary matters

The IPEU Treasurer Hans Kijas submitted his Report on the finances of the International Paneuropean Union. He called by name the member organisations that paid their member fees in the last two years. Despite the reduced revenues, the accounting balance of the International Paneuropean Union remained positive.

President Alain Terrenoire put the submitted Report to the vote and it was approved by the majority.

4. New member organisations

Montenegro

President Alain Terrenoire presented the demand of the Montenegrin Paneuropean Union for a permanent membership of the International Paneuropean Union. According to the Statutes, the Council of the Presidency decides on this matter. The recommendation of the rapporteur Prof Franjo Topić is positive and supportive. President Terrenoire thanked and congratulated President Prof Gordana Đurović and the Montenegrin PEU on their successful activities and announced the International Conference in Podgorica on 17 – 19 November 2017.

Ukraine

President of the PEU Ukraine Prof Ihor Zhaloba presented the founding activities and the request of his organisation to become an acting member of the International Pan-European Union. The General Assembly accepted his proposal. President Terrenoire also informed on the positive recommendation letter he received from the Vice-President Karl von Habsburg. He then informed on the Statutes of the International Paneuropean Union which prescribe that the membership is firstly admitted provisionally for two years. The IPEU Council of Presidency decides on the status of the acting member by a two thirds majority.

Italy

Vice-President Prof Mislav Ježić reported on the renewal actions of the Paneuropean Union of Italy. General Assembly welcomed the meetings of the Italian Paneuropeans that took place 2015 in Rimini and 2017 in Padua. On the request for membership status decides the Council of Presidency.

5. Declaration

Vice-President of the International Paneuropean Union Mislav Ježić presented the proposal of the IPEU Declaration prepared during the International Conference and General Assembly. The Declaration was formulated in 8 paragraphs.

The text of the Declaration was read and discussed paragraph by paragraph. Finally, it was adopted by the majority, with two to four abstentions or votes against for certain paragraphs.

6. General Secretary's Report

In his Report, Secretary General Pavo Barišić informed on the EUROPE FOR CITIZENS Programme application he had submitted to the EACEA a few days ago. He also thanked all

who helped him in fulfilling the application and asked all member organisations to send him reports on their activities and projects, so they might be published on the official website.

7. Closing of the General Assembly

President Alain Terrenoire closed the Assembly at 17.45 P.M.

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