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EC meeting-minutes Brussels, July 7th and 8th

1. Attendances

Wulf Homeier, Bart Maes, Petr Drabek, Gordana Capric, Adrian Gray, Alastair Delaney, Chantal Manes-Bonnisseau Support: Sylvia Van Impe

2. Preparation of the general assembly

The meeting is essentially devoted to the preparation of the next General Assembly which will take place in Bolzano in October 2016.

- After reviewing the conference program, the EC works on the presentation for the business meeting, which will include four main parts:
 - » activities report,
 - » financial report,
 - » the policy and strategy for the future,
 - » Membership and Executive committee
- ▶ Election of new members: Several inspections form different countries have shown interest in joining SICI: Catalonia, the general directorate of counseling and inspection of Turkey, Finland and Hungary. They will be contacted by the EC in order to prepare the decisions of the GA.
- Election of the EC: Petter Skarheim has recently changed his job from the Norwegian Inspectorate to the Norwegian Ministry of Education and as a result has left the SICI Executive Committee. For personal reasons, Wulf Homeier will stand down as President of SICI and will leave the EC after the General Assembly.

The Secretariat will therefore inform the members about two vacancies in the EC (Scandinavian-Baltic countries and the German speaking area).

Regional groups: a proposal is made to revise the list of country groups and the EC member chairing each of them. There are five existing groups: German-speaking group, Baltic-Scandinavian, Off-Shore, Southern Europe, Central Europe.

One more group Central Europe could be added in order to find a better balance and a more efficient functionning of the groups.

Contacts will be made during the GA with the members to discuss their participation in which group.

3. Report on current SICI projects

3.1. Impact of Inspection

Adrian Gray gives an overview of the project and makes the suggestion to associate a Turkish post doctorate student and her university to the next stages. The EC decides to make this an example strand to be chosen by the GA and to invest 5000 euros for possible costs in the future.

3.2. Inclusion

The proposal to create an exchange forum will be discussed at the next EC in Tallinn.