

EUI Alumni
EC-Mény-Frijdal Meeting, EUI, 5 May 2003

Present:

For the EC: Annette Bongardt, Carlo Spagnolo, Francisco Torres;
for the EUI: Yves Mény, President; Andreas Frijdal, Head of Administration; Kathinka España, RSC Administration; Valerie Coppini, Assistant to K. España; Hilde Derudder, Housing Service; P. Kenneally; R. Rawle; B. Schwab.

The meeting lasted from 9.00 to 13.00 a.m. President Mény and Andreas Frijdal took part at the beginning, then they left and the EC met with the other persons of the EUI Administration mentioned above.

1. EC situation and relationship with the EUI

The EC took note with regret of the resignations of Henk Voskamp, Treasurer, and Julian Lindley-French, EC Member and decided to go on with the established programs. The EC asked Brigitte Schwab as a co-founder of the Association to keep her mandate as a co-treasurer, which she accepted to do.

The EC welcomed President Mény's offer to have the AA accounts revised by the EUI administration. This procedure will provide a maximum of transparency in the AA budget.

2. Services to Alumni

a. It was agreed with Frijdal that the services for Alumni established in January should be put in place, as far as possible, by the beginning of October. The Administration will give priority to the e-mail accounts, the electronic card, and the Housing exchange. However, the promised office for the Alumni Association seems not realizable at present; Frijdal offered instead to develop a system to make available to Alumni some temporary working places in the EUI library, particularly in the summer, when researchers are away.

b. Housing exchange: the EC submitted a memo to the Housing Service. The Service will examine the proposal with the Computing Service to see how to put it in place. A meeting with all involved parties should be convened as soon as possible.

3. Conference on EU Governance

Torres reported to Mény on the progress done. The organising subcommittee - composed by Hubert Zimmerman, Amy Verdun, Chiara Zilioli and Francisco Torres - is aiming at about 12 papers/presentations. The conference will take place the same day of the Conferring Ceremony, 3 October, and possibly also in the next morning, 4 October.

4. Electoral committee for the next Assembly

The EC asked Peter Kenneally, who accepted, to chair an electoral subcommittee for the candidatures at the next Assembly in order to replace for a year the two vacant places in the EC.

5. October Assembly

a. Mény accepted to open the next Alumni Assembly, which shall be convened for 3/4 October, immediately after the Conferring Ceremony.

b. The EC explained its intention to ask the Assembly for a mandate to study a reform the AA Statute. A Commission should be set up on a voluntary basis.