

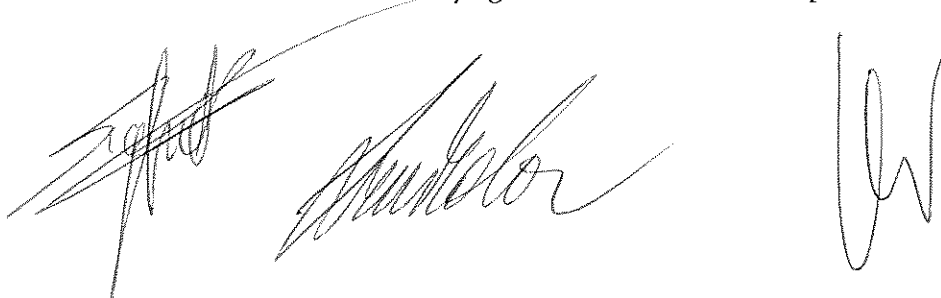
EUI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

8th Executive Committee Meeting: 7th June Friday 12:00-17:00,
EUI Badia

Participants: Nanette Neuwahl (member), Leila Simona Talani (vice-president) Pompeo della Posta (treasurer), Sigfrido Ramírez Pérez (secretary).

Invited: Judith Przywoski

1. Approval of the minutes of the 7th EC Meeting. The minutes are unanimously approved.
2. Conference proceedings publication of the conference. Pompeo and Simona circulated a book proposal which included only 6 papers delivered at the conference. They explained that the publisher Palgrave only selected 8 papers (including those of Pompeo and Simona) dealing with the economic aspect of the crisis and asked others, not from the conference, to be added. The proposal has not yet been selected for publication, nor has any contract been so far signed with Palgrave. The publisher recommended including another 5 papers not coming from this conference, or from Alumni. The EC concludes that the aim of the publication strategy of the conference is to find a suitable publisher ready to include most of the papers of the conference and that the editors of this volume should be either all the EC or none of them. Therefore, the EC has the choice between looking collectively for another publisher ready to publish most of the papers, with corrections and a minimum quality control ensured by the editors, and allowing Pompeo and Simona to proceed to the publication of this edited book as their personal project. Both are specialists on political economy of the crisis and currently working on this issue for their own projects and may find the suitable authors and manage this outside the EC. It is agreed that the EC is not sponsoring or supporting this publication in any way but that it may be mentioned in the introduction that some of the papers were presented in a conference organised at the EUI by the editors, Pompeo and Simona, who announced that they will explore the issue further with Palgrave. The EC will explore which are the alternative for the publication of the existing papers. There is a structural problem when dealing with Alumni conferences as the AA Conferences are generally of wide scope, in order to be inclusive. The alternative solutions are the following: creating a series of AA Working Papers edited by the EC and the departments; publishing the proceedings of the conferences like in the past even when incorporating papers not presented there but from EUI Alumni; and creating a EUI AA e-discussion paper series accessible in an AA intranet with password that could serve to read it and improve the content of the paper. In this case Alumni could, ideally, come up with publication proposals to be supported or sponsored in any way by the EUI Alumni Association. Sigfrido will come with a proposal about which would be the possible format of these series and the platform for such exchanges.
3. Alumni prize update. Everything is running according to plan. The selected dissertations have been sent to jury members and they should have the result by 21st June.
4. EUI and Visiting Fellow membership of AA. At the request by the RSC for extending AA membership to these Fellows, the EC concludes that they are favourable to this extension for those fellows staying at least for a six months period but only as associate



- members. This proposal for modification will be transmitted to the General Assembly for discussion and approval. Judith will inform the RSC about this.
5. EUI access policy: intranet and follow up. Members of the AA informed us about the new problem of not being able to gain access to the Badia and other buildings after official opening hours and on Saturday after 19 o'clock. This is the consequence of a change in the admission procedures, but the EC considers that this restriction will be an incentive for recently-finishing Alumni for not adhering to the AA. The EC will request the President and Secretary General to reconsider this policy to allow Alumni to still be able to access after opening hours to the main facilities (Badia) and the departments where they were attached. Leila will send a letter to the President in order to raise this issue in the executive committee of the EUI.
 6. Careers day in June. The registration figures are very similar to those of the past. 40 people registered so far for all panels.
 7. Election process of AA EC members. Leila will contact the four potential members of the electoral subcommittee to check the availability of three of them. Elaboration of the convocation letter specifying that only people who paid before the deadline can participate in the electronic vote. The convocation will be sent around by 14th June. The deadline for candidatures is the 6th September and is on-line from 13th September. Mails will be sent to members before the GA. First remembering members and non-members whether they are entitled, or not, to vote electronically (provisional census and late/adhesion possible until the 10th September). It will be possible to vote electronically (final census) between 20th and 27th September. A discussion has taken place regarding the members of the AA with respect to whether membership remains despite the lack of renewal of the fee. With reference to article five of the Statutes of the AA in English, members of the EUI agree that membership expires at the end of the membership period. However, Sigfrido, on the basis of the complaint of an alumnus, has raised the issue that the original Italian version of the Statutes may not correspond to the English translation. We will check this in the next meeting.
 8. Agenda of the General Assembly (1st October) to be circulated by the 14th June:
 - a. Definitive approval of draft minutes of the General Assembly of last year.
 - b. Approval of the treasurers' report
 - c. Approval of the administration of the Executive Committee.
 - d. Modification of the Statutes.
 - e. Election of the new executive committee.
 9. Timing, place and format of the next general assembly. In the light of the lack of success of last year attempt to introduce the GA before the Ceremony of the opening of the Academic Year, the EC suggests fully introducing the general assembly in the ceremony as a symbolic continuation of the link between doctoral researchers and the EUI. We suggest that the cards will be ready for the day of the ceremony for those who wished to join and will be handed at that time. We suggest also that the President will be awarding the Alumni Prize after the Ceremony at the opening of the General Assembly inviting all present alumni to participate in the meeting. It will be explored with the administration if it will be possible to formally include in the graduation ceremony schedule the GA by delaying one hour the start of the cocktail and possibly having the meeting at the Church. If not, it will take place in the Theater, like in the past.
 10. Chianti walk on Saturday 2nd October. Pompeo will check with the person who organised the walk last year whether she/he could do the same for this year by reserving this date in her/his agenda.

