EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE Alumni Association



GENERAL ASSEMBLY 3 October 2008

(President's report)

Venue: Theatre, the European University Institute, Badia Fiesolana



EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE Alumni Association General Assembly, Friday 3 October 2008, 18:00 – Theatre, Badia Fiesolana

President's Report to the Alumni General Assembly

Agenda of the 2008 Alumni Association's General Assembly:

1. Presentation of the President's Annual Report;

2. Presentation of the Treasurer's Reports (for 2007 and for the period 1/1-2/10/08);

3. Attribution of a medal and the prize to the 2008 alumni prize winner, Yannis Karagiannis;

4. Election of the Executive Committee;

5. Other.

1) <u>PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT BY THE PRESIDENT</u> OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1.1. INTRODUCTION

Accountability: In line with its past practice, this Executive Committee (EC) kept pursuing the objective of transparency and accountability both to this General Assembly and, financially, to the European University Institute (EUI). All EC meetings (with all decisions taken) have been recorded and are available online together with all (President's and Treasurer's) reports and an account of all AA activities.

Financial accountability: The Treasurer's report for 2007 has been subject to the scrutiny of the Director of Budget and Financial Affairs of the EUI in February 2008. Given the fact that three members of the EC, including the President, the Vice-President and the Treasurer, were not candidates for a new mandate and for the sake of transparency and clarity, the current EC decided to elaborate an interim Treasurer's report for the period 1 January to 2 October 2008. This report was also subject to the scrutiny of the Director of Budget and Financial Affairs of the EUI. All payments received, being them alumni annual contributions related to the use of an AA card, EUI e-mail and other services or any other specific contribution (sponsoring) for the organisation of conferences, go directly to specific EUI accounts and not to AA accounts and are administered by the EUI. Finally, the EC has decided that the annual transfer of the EUI to the AA should be retained by the EUI, which then pays directly any previously budgeted expenditures. In the first three quarters of 2008 (1 January to 3 October) that total

amount was retained by the EUI to pay for the various activities. What was left unspent (4.400,00 euros) was transferred on 3 October 2008 to the permanent account of the AA with the EUI, since the next EC should not have to work until December with the *preventivo* left from the previous EC.

Finally, in accordance with the EUI Administration, the EC decided by unanimity to close the Cassa di Risparmio di Firenze (CRF) AA account. The reasons for the EC decision, which was implemented by the Treasurer, were to save the costs associated with the maintenance of a separate bank account for the Alumni Association and, mainly, to make financial scrutiny even easier and therefore also facilitate the task of the next AA treasurer and EC. In this way, EUI scrutiny is always effected immediately and *a priori*, as had been already EC practice regarding the use of EUI funds budgeted by the AA where payments are made directly through the EUI. The CRF AA account was closed on 3 October 2008 and its balance (9.755,13 euros plus interest from 1 July to 3 October minus costs of the closure of the account, which will be reported in the CRF's closing statement) transferred to the permanent account of the AA with the EUI.

By this date (already as of 3 October 2008), after the donation of \in 11.375,00 to the EUI, the Association had 14.155,13 euros (the balance transferred from the CRF, which was closed on that day, \in 9.755,13, together with the unspent amount of the AA budget for 2008 withheld at the EUI, \notin 4.400,00) on the "<u>Alumni Permanent Account</u>" with the EUI (<u>account number</u> 331010).

The Association had no debts at that date and its financial situation is sound and its savings in conjunction with the Institute's annual contribution translate into a very comfortable situation for the development of its future activities.

The current EC leaves to the next EC a very comfortable safety net and the guarantee from the EUI Administration that it will transfer to the AA permanent account with the EUI 10.000,00 euros in January 2009, upon submission for scrutiny of its Treasurer's report for the year 2008 (in fact just for the period October-December as the current Treasurer has already submitted an interim report for the period of 1 January to 3 October), which has been duly scrutinised and by the EUI Administration (Head of Budget and Financial Affairs Service) – please see Appendix 10. From October to December 2008, revenues from the membership for the year 2008/09 and for the three-year period 2008/11 are expected to be substantially higher than in previous periods.

In sum, the AA current patrimonial situation is very comfortable and its financial situation is totally transparent and organised. Moreover, the AA will have in the next three months access to its two sources of income: the EUI annual transfer and the alumni fees for the next three academic years, which have been more than 11.000,00 euros on average in 2007 and in the first nine months of 2008. These transfers go automatically to the "<u>Alumni membership</u> <u>fees</u>" account with the EUI (<u>account number 331004</u>) and the current EC has ordered the transfer of all membership fees to date to the EUI administration in order to be given to good researchers without a grant, according to the criteria established by the EUI administration.

Thanks to an increasing number of alumni participating in the life of the Association and to the excellent collaboration with the EUI, the EC has been able to organise many events, to provide new services, institutionalising regular academic events and the Alumni Prize for the best Ph.D. thesis at the Institute. In addition, financially we supported the re-arranging and

cataloguing of our archives and contributed in 2006 and 2008 to the realisation of conferences organised by fellow alumni. The Globalisation conference organisers have secured publication of the proceedings with Palgrave / Macmillan and the Maastricht conference organisers have published the proceedings with Cambridge Scholars. The Environmental conference organisers managed to get a grant from the European Investment Bank (as did the EMU and Globalization conferences in 2003 and 2006), which was transferred directly to the European University Institute (not to the AA) and is it managed by the conference organisers (as was the case of previous conferences, namely EMU, Maastricht and Globalization) and the EUI administration according to its rules, for the purpose of pursuing with the editing of the conference proceedings and publication. Organisers report

In the last two years the AA was able to increase its donations to the alumni research grant to current researchers at the EUI and the Alumni prize and to undertake many realisations, such as: to organised historical and current archives (both available online); to publish and distribute to all alumni the history of its first 20 years; to publish 5 edited volumes of Alumni conferences; to institutionalise the prize for the best interdisciplinary Ph.D. thesis on relevant European issues (Alumni Prize); to create the AA E-journal; to co-organise with success every two years the EUI Competition day; to co-organise the annual Career event and to create the career development sub-committee; to design its first logo and to substitute it for a second one, encompassing the new logo of the EUI; to create and organise a well-functioning website; to create an alumni card granting access to several facilities (such as a permanent EUI email account) to all alumni; to organise many social activities such as walks in Tuscany, visits, dinners, book presentations, etc.. Above all to bring many alumni back to the EUI, participating in its permanent evolution.

The recognition by the EUI administration of the value of the AA realisations, and the fact that since 2002 the AA lost to the EUI the proceedings of the EUI shop, led President Yves Mény to double the amount of the Institute's grant to the AA to 10.000,00 euros.

1.2 ALUMNI RESEARCH GRANT

That is why, following the appeal by President Yves Mény for contributions to the setting-up of a special fund to provide grants for EUI researchers without a scholarship, this Executive Committee has decided to devote all the revenues from the membership fees (since October 2006) to creating an Alumni Research Grant administered directly by the EUI. Membership fee income has been rising very significantly over the past three years and we hope that the number will continue to increase. Apart from putting the money to excellent use, we believe that it is an important expression of solidarity and, like the Alumni Prize, a link between generations of EUI researchers.

Many alumni are now contributing to the Alumni Research Grant and therefore possess Alumni Association (AA) membership cards and email accounts. Alumni membership fees go automatically to the "<u>Alumni membership fees</u>" account with the EUI (<u>account number</u> <u>331004</u>). In 2007, the EC order the transfer of **11.600,00 euros** to the EUI Alumni Research Grant (entirely administered by the EUI) and on this date the EC ordered to transfer again **11.375,00 euros** (the amount communicated to the EC by The EUI Alumni Officer up to 29 September 2008) to the EUI Alumni Research Grant.

For the first time in the history of the AA, the EUI Alumni became net contributors to the Institute's activities, both in 2007 and already by September 2008 (and more to come in the period October December 2008!). Many thanks to all!

In addition, in October 2008 (when the alumni membership card period expires), revenues **from the membership** for the year 2008/09 and for the three-year period 2008/11 are expected to be substantive. <u>See Appendix 1</u> for reproduction of relevant webpage.

1.3 COLLABORATION WITH THE EUI

The interface of the EUI with the Alumni Association is, since 4 October 2004, managed from within the Academic Service. The secretariat of the alumni is organized in the Academic Service. Its task is to directly liaise with the Alumni Association for the normal, day-to-day activities of the Institute. **Judith Przyrowski** in the Academic Service is the EUI Alumni Officer. This collaboration has worked very well. The EC would like to take the occasion of this report to thank the EUI and its Academic Service, namely President Yves Meny and Head of Academic Service Andreas Frijdal, for their continuous support.

1.4 EUI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WEEKEND, 2-3 OCTOBER 2008, PROGRAMME

EUI Career Event, 2/3 October 2008 – "Job opportunities outside academia": following the initiative of last year the AA again co-organised with the Academic Service a number of career panels during this Alumni weekend. These panels focus on the sectors that receive most EUI researchers outside academia, i.e. European and international organisations and law and consultancy firms. The speakers are EUI alumni working in these sectors who have been invited to talk about their work and career and how to get successfully recruited. See programme in <u>Appendix 2</u>.

This year, in the **Conferring Ceremony** the EUI distinguishes with an Honorary Degree three very distinguished professors, John H. Jackson, Professor of Georgetown University Law Center, Washington DC, Thomas Sargent, Professor of Economics, New York University and Fritz Scharpf, Emeritus Director, Max Planck Institute for the Studies of Societies, Cologne.

1.5 EUI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS

History of the Alumni Association.

Noi si mura The Building-up of the EUI Alumni Association 1986-2006 ISBN: 92-9084-032-3 and bar code 9 789290 840329. Cover illustration: Onofrio Pepe, Il Ratto di Europa (2003) © Onofrio Pepe, 2006.

This brief history of the Alumni Association of the European University Institute is based on the material collected in the Alumni Association archives, arranged and described at the

Historical Archives of the European Union and available on-line on the Alumni Association website. It represents a first attempt to gather information on the creation and development of the Association within a wider archival effort motivated by the wish not to risk losing material that constituted the historical memory of the Association. It was also a way to mark the 20th anniversary of the AA.

1.6 AA SUB-COMMITTEES

Electoral Subcommittee: Donatella Della Porta (SPS, Chair), Peter Mair (SPS) and Annette Bongardt (ECO).

Interdisciplinary Journal of European Political Economy (IJEPE) Subcommittee (or E-Journal Subcommittee): Simona Talani and Francisco Torres (Managing Editors) and Annette Bongardt, Valérie Hayaert, Pompeo Della Posta and Milica Uvalic.

Environmental Conference Subcommittee: Annette Bongardt (ECO), Ingmar von Homeyer (SPS) and Francisco Torres (ECO).

Career development subcommittee: Pompeo Della Posta (ECO), Roman Arjona-Gracia (ECO; European Commission), Tom Kennedy (LAW, Court of Auditors) and Wim van Aken (SPS, European Central Bank).

1.7 NATIONAL CHAPTERS

National chapters. Local chapters are informal and do not have any separate legal status. They should be accountable to the AA General Assembly. Please note that several active local alumni chapters are already in place and have kept the EC informed about their activities.

Edinburgh (Scottish) chapter. Inaugural meeting of the Edinburgh (Scottish) Chapter of the EUI Alumni Association during the UACES Annual Conference at the University of Edinburgh in the beginning of September 2008. A group of about 25 alumni, ex-professors and future EUI fellows gathered in Edinburgh for the UACES conference. The meeting was promoted by Eve Hepburn (SPS), eve.hepburn@ed.ac.uk, and attended by the president and vice-president of the AA Executive Committee.

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The London chapter. After the 2005 conference on "Between growth and stability", the London AA chapter held another conference in October 2007. The conference was organised again by Simona Talani (also a member of the AA e-journal subcommittee) at the LSE on the Future of EMU. Proceedings will be published with Palgrave / MacMillan.

1.8 AA CONFERENCES

On 20 and 21 June 2008 an interdisciplinary conference on "EU Environmental Policy and Climate Change: Sustainability, Governance and Regulation" took place at the Villa

Schifanoia. The conference focused on the challenge of climate change, namely emerging on trends in EU environmental policy, including energy and competitiveness. The conference was organised by Annette Bongardt, Ingmar von Homeyer and Francisco Torres with the help of the RSCAS and counted with the participation of EUI alumni and current professors, fellows and researchers and the **support of the European Investment Bank**.

See Appendix 3.

2nd EUI Competition Day

Following up on the success of the first edition in 2005, the Economics and the Law Departments, with the support of the EUI President and the Director of the Robert Schuman Centre organised, again in conjunction with the Alumni Association, a 2nd EUI Competition Day. The event took place at the EUI on 3 and 4 April 2008 and brought together many alumni, mainly economists or lawyers, who have worked at the EUI in the field of competition law/policy. 45 alumni and EUI professors and staff participated in the event, including Heike Schweitzer (Law Department), Massimo Motta (Economics Department) and Annette Bongardt (Vice President of the Alumni Association).

1.9 ALUMNI WEEKEND AND SOCIAL EVENTS (JUNE 2008):

Special Visit to Corridoio Vasariano Reserved collection of Gli Uffizi, kindly organised by EUI Secretary General Marco Del Panta (17 participants). The Visit was guided by Laura Becchi. The day before AA Secretary Valérie Hayaert had organised a guided visit of Capponi Capella (Santa Felicità). The traditional annual Alumni dinner (barbecue) took place at the Loggia, Badia, in the same day.

1.10 UPCOMING PUBLICATIONS

Back to Maastricht: The EU after the setback of the Constitutional Treaty, Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishers, edited by S. Baroncelli, C. Spagnolo and S. Talani. (See table of contents in <u>Appendix 4</u>)

Globalization, Development and Integration, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, edited by P. Della Posta, A. Verdun and M. Uvalic. (See table of contents in <u>Appendix 5</u>)

The Future of EMU, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, edited by S. Talani. (See table of contents in <u>Appendix 6</u>)

1.11 EUI ALUMNI INTERDISCIPLINARY JOURNAL

Following the discussion at last year's General Assemblies, the EUI Alumni Interdisciplinary Journal of European Political Economy, Europe at Large, was created and is ready to be published. This is an academic journal addressing interdisciplinary issues in the political

economy of contemporary Europe. This online serial has been recorded provisionally in the ISSN Register as follows: ISSN 1814-8182 = Europe at large. A call for papers is open for the first issue.

1.12 HISTORICAL ARCHIVE OF THE EUI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Executive Committee set up an historical archive and a current one. An archivist, supported by the Alumni Association, re-ordered the old papers of the Association and made a selection of the relevant documents for the history and workings of the Association. The Historical Archives of the European Union, where the EUI archives are also based, offered to host the Alumni Association's archives at the Villa Poggiolo. The AA archives were deposited in the Historical Archives of the European Union in October 2006.

The contents of the archive, along with other documents encountered at the *Badia Fiesolana*, were then classified and described by Prisca Giordani according to the Historical Archives, and are now available online. The material, composed of 41 files, covers the creation of the Association up to 2006 and is now freely accessible for consultation. (Please see the link on the AA webpage).

2. <u>PRESENTATION OF TREASURER'S REPORTS (FOR 2007 AND FOR THE PERIOD 1/1-2/10/08)</u>; (by AA Treasurer Milica Uvalic).

Please find the Treasurer's reports in APPENDIX 7 and APPENDIX 8.

3. <u>ATTRIBUTION OF A MEDAL AND THE PRIZE TO THE 2008 ALUMNI PRIZE</u> WINNER, YANNIS KARAGIANNIS

The 3rd EUI Alumni Association Prize (instituted in 2003, and attributed in 2004, 2006 and 2008 on a bi-annual basis) for the best interdisciplinary Ph.D. thesis on relevant European issues (Alumni Prize) is awarded during the degree-conferring ceremony. The Prize comprises a medal designed by Florentine artist Onofrio Pepe on the Myth of Europe and an award of 3.000 Euro.

Alumni Prize for Best Thesis (3rd edition) 2008:

Yannis Karagiannis, Greece, SPS, is the winner of the 3rd EUI Alumni Association Prize for the best interdisciplinary Ph.D. thesis on relevant European issues (Alumni Prize) with the thesis entitled "Preference Heterogeneity and Equilibrium Institutions: The Case of European Competition Policy".

Each one of the EUI departments had **nominated** the best interdisciplinary thesis on European issues in their respective field (for the period between May 2006 and May 2008). They were:

Patrycja Dabrowska, Law, Karel Mertens, ECO, Yannis Karagiannis, SPS, and Sakari Saaritsa, HEC. The four pre-selected theses were examined by the independent jury composed of Jaime Reis (ICS, Lisbon), chairman, Ana Rute Cardoso (ECO, IZA, Bonn), Michelle Everson (LAW, Birkbeck College, U. London), Axel West Pedersen (SPS, NOVA, Oslo) and Wolfgang Kaiser (HEC, Université de Paris I). The Alumni Prize chairman is a former HEC Department Professor and all four alumni are previous Rotary Prize winners.

The EC would like, in the name of all Alumni and of the Alumni Association of the EUI, to thank all jury members for having generously contributed with their time and effort for the benefit of this important task.

All four nominees receive a diploma, awarded during the EUI degree-conferring ceremony on **Friday, 3 October 2008**. The medal and the award of 3.000 Euros will be given to the **Yannis Karagiannis** during the AA annual General Assembly.

REPORT OF THE JURY OF THE EUI ALUMNI PRIZE FOR 2008

The jury was confronted with four excellent theses produced at the European University Institute during 2007. These were nominated by their respective departments as the best of the year in the context of this important prize.

We were asked to follow two fundamental guidelines: the thesis should have strong interdisciplinary characteristics; and it should focus on relevant European issues. Given the high quality of all four studies, the task was far from simple. Our final preference went, unanimously, to Dr. Yannis Karagiannis' study of "Preference Heterogeneity and Equilibrium Institutions: The Case of European Competition Policy". It combines, with great skill, contributions from Political Science with very significant inputs from Law, Economics and recent European History. The exemplary fashion in which it focused on European competition policies and the nature of the institutions entrusted with prosecuting them constitutes the second, more "European" motive for our decision.

It is distinguished by several merits. The first one is the clarity with which it posed its research question and then defined the criteria for assessing the contending hypotheses set up in order to attain the sought-after solution. The point of departure was to find an explanation for the peculiarity of the governance structures of EC competition policy. The opposing views were the principal-agent model and a transaction costs economising model. Four case-studies were examined, at different points in time between 1951 and 2003, in order to establish a best fit.

The second is that the main finding, that it is the transaction cost model which is the most useful, did not lead Dr. Karagiannis into the temptation of concluding that this exhausted his problem. Rather, for him this was a less than a 100% solution. It led to the emergence of complex, integrated governance structures which could help deal with the bounded rationality of the actors and their aim to sustain future transactions.

The third achievement is that though the thesis is solidly grounded in political science terms, it can easily be read across the range of social science disciplines. Readers from all of them, we felt, will find in it much that is of interest to them and this is truly the test of a successful interdisciplinary research strategy.

Finally, attention has to be paid both to the lucidity of the exposition and to the implacably coherent manner in which the argument was developed over the length of this excellent piece of work. Such economy of prose and analytic rigour make this highly complex story into a stimulating account and a pleasure to read, both of them aims that the jury also wishes to

4. ELECTIONS FOR A NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EC)

Notice published in the EUI Newsletter and on the AA website and sent to all alumni in the AA newsletter

Elections for a new Executive Committee (EC)

We believe that we have helped the AA to move on and to accompany the growth of the EUI in numbers, breadth and excellence. However, the AA now needs a renewed impetus and new people to come forward and contribute. Following up on recommendations by our General Assembly, we will broaden the elections by implementing e-voting, allowing for candidates to present themselves online and voters with a valid AA card to vote electronically. Prepare to vote electronically for a new EC!

As we had already announced in the previous EUI newsletter, valid AA membership cards will automatically give alumni the right to vote electronically for a new Executive Committee. Alumni who do not make use of their right to vote electronically in the voting period (15-22 September) may still do so in the upcoming General Assembly of 3 October 2008 (tbc). If you do not have a valid AA membership card make sure you get one ASAP (you can do it online). The electronic voting period will run from 15 through 22 September 2008. Should there be fewer than 5 candidates for the Executive Committee, the Electoral Subcommittee may consider re-opening the electoral process at the General Assembly in order to fill in the vacant

The AA Electoral Subcommittee that will supervise the entire procedure with the help of the Academic Service comprises Donatella Della Porta, chair, Peter Mair and Annette Bongardt. Prepare to run for member of a new EC!

Candidates for the EC Committee must put their candidature forward until 1 September 2008 at the very latest. Candidates can (are encouraged to) send to the Electoral Subcommittee (alumni email account, c/o Judith Przyrowski) a one-page PDF document with their electoral programme. By 8 September 2008 the list of properly identified candidates will be made available online on the AA website, together with their electoral programme. All candidates should check the webpage and make sure their candidature is complete and confirmed by and/or talk to Judith Przyrowski, EUI Alumni Officer at the Academic Service. Candidates are expected to attend the General Assembly in October.

Candidates whose candidature was checked by Judith Przyrowski, EUI Alumni Officer at the Academic Service, and approved by the AA Electoral Subcommittee, are by order of submission: Leila Simona Talani, SPS, Sigfrido Ramirez Perez, HEC, Pompeo Della Posta, ECO, and Valérie Hayaert, HEC.

Decision of the AA Electoral Subcommittee sent to all alumni by email (24/9/08) and made available on the AA website:

Dear fellow alumni,

The electronic voting period, which ran from 15 September 10:00 am through 22 September 18:00 has allowed Alumni with a valid full membership card to vote electronically for a new EUI Alumni Association Executive Committee (EC).

Those alumni who did not vote electronically on the four candidates whose candidature was considered by the AA Electoral Subcommittee may still do so (by participating) in the upcoming General Assembly at the EUI (Badia Fiesolana) on 3 October 2008.

All candidates for the EC Committee had to put their candidature forward until 1 September 2008 at the very latest (see voting procedures on the AA website: <u>http://www.eui.eu/Alumni/Elections2008.shtml).</u>

However, since only four candidates had done so (these are: Leila Simona Talani, SPS, Sigfrido Ramirez Perez, HEC, Pompeo Della Posta, ECO, and Valérie Hayaert, HEC), a position in the EC would remain vacant. The AA Electoral Subcommittee has therefore decided (in line with the voting procedures) to re-open the electoral process at the General Assembly for the vacant position and to extend the deadline for candidatures for that vacant position. The new deadline is 29 September 2008 at 9:00 am. Please submit your candidatures by email to Judith Przyrowski, EUI Alumni Officer at the EUI Academic Service, at alumni@eui.eu <mailto:alumni@eui.eu>.

Donatella Della Porta

Chair, AA Electoral Subcommittee

Candidates for the vacant position whose candidature was checked by Judith Przyrowski, EUI Alumni Officer at the Academic Service, and approved by the AA Electoral Subcommittee, are by order of submission: **Bernd Baumgartl**, SPS, **Teresa Morais Leitão**, LLM, **Nanette Neuwahl**, Law.

HOW TO GET ACCESS TO THE BENEFITS OF AA MEMBERSHIP

The membership (from 1 October to 30 September) implies a minimum donation of 30 Euro (for one year memberships) or 70/80 Euro (for three-year memberships):

1-year membership.....€30

3-year membership paid by 10/09/08...... €70

3-year membership paid after 10/09/08.....€80

Donations above these amounts are welcome.

All proceeds will go to the Alumni Research Grant, which will be used to provide grants to researchers without a scholarship.

There are two ways to pay:

Online: credit card payment through the EUI Online Shop.

Note that the login to the EUI Online Shop does not accept your usual EUI account login. You must create a unique user login and password just as with any other online payment service.

Offline: bank transfer, direct deposit or credit card (should the online option not be possible) \Box Please go to the Fees Payment Form and follow the instructions.

Membership services and conditions:

An Alumni e-mail account (forename.surname@eui.eu)□- click here for further infomation□- Have you just defended your thesis? The Computing Service has information on how long your researcher e-mail account will be valid.□

Alumni EUI card (granting 400 free print-outs or photocopies)

Use of the EUI Library:□- Registration at the Library is necessary, whether the alumnus/a is member of the Alumni Association or not: see the Library rules for specifics, and the access policy for EUI-associated members□- It is not possible to have remote access to e-resources since this access is not included in our licence agreements. Alumni can, however, use all our □e-resources on site, i.e., when they are physically in the EUI Library

Use of EUI mensa (but without student discount)

Who is eligible? The Alumni status is valid for the categories listed in Article 5 of the Statutes of the Alumni Association.

Not eligible are Jean Monnet Fellows who have been at the EUI for less than an entire academic year, Visiting Fellows, Visiting Scholars, Visiting Students, Erasmus and other exchange students.

APPENDIX 2 – EUI Alumni Career Event, co-organised with the Academic Service, 2 and 3 October 2008

Programme **Thursday, 2 October** Theatre, Badia Fiesolana

10.00 to 12.00 European Institutions

Alexandre Mathis, Evaluation Officer - Evaluation and impact assessment of Internal Market policies: financial services and other economic aspects of the Internal Market, European Commission

Fabia Jones, Parliamentary Research Administrator in the Policy Department on Budgetary Affairs, European Parliament

Eric Perée, Associate Director and Head of Economic and Financial Studies, European Investment Bank

Wim van Aken, European Central Bank, Economist, European Institutions and Fora Division, Directorate General International and European Relations (DG-I) European Central Bank

15.00 to 17.00 International Organisations

Jutta Krause, Senior Technical Advisor of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, Food and Agriculture Organisation of the UN, Rome

Hans-Friedrich von Rohland, Senior Press Officer, International Labor Organization, Geneva

Matthias Rau-Goehring, Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Division on Globalization and Development Strategies (GDS), Geneva

Pascal Dubourg Glatigny, Senior Researcher, Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin

Konstantinos Tatsiramos, Senior Research Associate, Institute for the Study of Labour (IZA) Bonn

Friday, 3 October

Sala del Capitolo, Badia Fiesolana

9.30 to 10.30: Consulting firms

Martin Dehli, Senior Consultant, The Boston Consulting Group, Berlin

11.00 to 12.30: Law firms

Anne-Laurence Faroux, Senior Counsel in the Employment and Benefits department, Allen & Overy LLP, Paris

Massimo Benedettelli, Partner, Freshfield Bruckhaus Deringer, Milan, member of the Corporate Department and of the International Arbitration Group. Full Professor (*professore ordinario*), University of Bari, Department of International and EU Law

Joachim Habetha, Partner and Head of German private equity practice, Lovells LLP, Frankfurt

APPENDIX 3 – Environmental conference proceedings to be edited by Annette Bongardt, Ingmar von Homeyer and Francisco Torres (conference programme)

Conference programme:

EU environmental policy and governance: the challenge of climate change and beyond Organised by: Annette Bongardt, Ingmar von Homeyer and Francisco Torres Venue: European University Institute (EUI), Villa Schifanoia, Sala Triaria, Date: 20/21 June

2008 (Friday/Saturday)

Co-organised by the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS) and Ecologic, Institute for International and European Environmental Policy, Berlin

Advisory Committee: Stefano Bartolini, Director of RSCAS (Stefano.bartolini@eui.eu), Ramon Marimon, Director of the EUI Max Weber Programme (ramon.marimon@eui.eu), Adrienne Héritier, SPS&RSCAS (Adrienne.heritier@eui.eu).

Objectives and approach

This conference focuses on emerging trends in EU environmental policy and governance, including interactions with energy policy and EU economic competitiveness, in particular the goal of a competitive low-carbon economy. The aim is to contribute to a deeper understanding of these fields and their inter-relations based on a multidisciplinary approach comprising the four disciplines taught at the EUI: economics, history, law and political and social sciences. EU environmental policy and governance have undergone important changes in recent years.

These can be characterised broadly as a stronger focus on the challenge of sustainable development. This has led to an increased emphasis on long-term goals, the external dimension of EU environmental policies, and on the integration of environmental and sectoral economic policies. EU policy to combat climate change stands out as the politically most important example of these developments, which, however, can also be observed in other fields of EU environmental policy-making.

The conference seeks to enhance our understanding of the implications of these changes for EU environmental governance and policy as well as related policies, in particular energy policy. Reflecting both the comprehensiveness of the changes and the fact that they have been particularly pronounced in EU policies related to climate change, the conference focuses on three main sub-themes:

1) Environmental governance: continuity and change;

2) A competitive low-carbon economy: what role for regulation and policy;

3) Climate change, energy policy, and the external role of the EU.

Thursday 19 June, 16:00h-17:00h: Art History Tour

Organised by AA Secretary Valerie.Hayaert@eui.eu (inscriptions on AA webpage until 18/6) CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, 20 JUNE 2008

9:00 Opening session: Yves Mény, EUI President, Stefano Bartolini, RSCAS Director, Francisco Torres, AA President. Welcome Address: Secretary General Marco Del Panta (ongoing "Green EUI" initiatives).

9:15-10:45 EU environmental governance: continuity and change (I)

Chair: Milica Uvalic, U. of Perugia (uvalic@unipg.it)

This section discusses environmental governance implications of a stronger emphasis on longterm aims, the global dimension of certain environmental problems and efforts to integrate

environmental and economic sectoral policies. How can emerging governance arrangements be characterised? Where and why have they emerged? How do they relate to pre-existing mechanisms and structures? To what extent are the governance arrangements effective?

Governance by Self-Regulation in EU Environmental Policy

Adrienne Héritier and Sandra Eckert, EUI/RSC (Sandra.Eckert@EUI.eu) Rediscovering Hierarchy - The "new" EU approach on Climate Change Christian Hey, Secretary General, German Council of Environmental Advisors (christian.hey@uba.de)

Environmental and Energy Policies and Governance in the EU

Annette Bongardt, UM & IEEI, Lisbon (abongardt@sapo.pt) and Francisco Torres, IEE/UCP & INA, Lisbon (ftorres@iee.ucp.pt)

The evolution of EU environmental policy: a governance perspective Ingmar von Homeyer, Ecologic, Berlin (ingmar.homeyer@ecologic.eu)

11:00-11:15 Coffee-break

11:00-13:00 A competitive low-carbon economy: what role for regulation and policy? Chair: Pippo Ranci, Florence School of Regulation / RSC (pippo.ranci@eui.eu)

The goal of transforming the EU economy into a competitive low-carbon economy raises issues related to the adequacy of regulation, the choice of policies and of instruments. Under which conditions and to what extent can the internal market serve as a basis for making environmental protection and economic competitiveness compatible with each other? What is the role of the regulatory framework and of supporting policies? What is the role of the EU, member states, regional and private actors?

Recent jurisprudential developments in the field of sustainable development Francesco Francioni, Law/EUI (Francesco.Francioni@EUI.eu) Conflicts of interest between competition policy and environmental policy Philippe Delacote, Université de Nancy 2 (Philippe.Delacote@univ-nancy2.fr) Climate change and energy policy: a European perspective Simone Borghesi, Università di Pescara (borghesi@unisi.it) The role of regulation in reducing the environmental impact of energy systems Pippo Ranci, Florence School of Regulation / RSC (pippo.ranci@eui.eu) Competition policy, economic regulation and environmental protection. Complementarities and/or trade-offs Annette Bongardt (abongardt@sapo.pt) and João Gata, Portuguese Competition

Authority (jgata@autoridadedaconcorrencia.pt)

13:00-14:15 Conference lunch, Villa Schifanoia

Lunchtime book presentation: Back to Maastricht. Obstacles to constitutional reform within the EU Treaty (1991-2007), Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishers. Proceedings from previous AA conference edited by Stefania Baroncelli, Carlo Spagnolo and Simona Talani (L.S.Talani@bath.ac.uk) AA e-journal subcommittee)

14:15-16:00 - Climate change, energy policy, and the external role of the EU

Chair: Donatella Della Porta, SPS/EUI (donatella.dellaporta@eui.eu)

On the external front, the EU has assumed the role of a leader and a global player in regard to climate change and in international negotiations. This raises questions such as to its capacity to conduct and (credibly) commit in international negotiations, and to its capacity to shape

global governance rather than being subject to globalisation. In addition, it raises the question as to the link between the external and internal dimension of policy-making and governance.

The relationship between Community institutions and the role of the EU in global environmental agreements

Tatiana Coutto, SPS/EUI (Tatiana.Coutto@EUI.eu)

Forerunners and policy tunnels

Jan Kunnas, HEC/EUI (jan.kunnas@eui.eu) and Timo Myllyntaus, U. Turku (timmyl@utu.fi)

Climate as a security issue for the EU? Implications for the notions of effective multilateralism and civilian power

Angela Liberatore, European Commission and Vrije Universiteit Brussel,

(angela.liberatore@ec.europa.eu)

Energy and Climate Protection: an Integrated Approach

Marco Lombardo, University of Bologna (mlombardo@cirdce.unibo.it)

16:30 - Special Visit to Corridoio Vásariano Reserved collection of Gli Uffizi, kindly organised by EUI Secretary General Marco Del Panta (16 participants)
20:00 - Conference dinner (barbecue) at the Loggia, Badia
(Announcement of the Alumni Prize: best interdisciplinary EUI PhD thesis 2006-08)

SATURDAY, 21 JUNE 2008

10:00-12:00- EU environmental governance: continuity and change (II)

Chair: Susan Senior, Università di Siena (senior@unisi.it)

The sustainable development paradigm and "new modes of governance" have become key features of EU environmental policy over the last decade. The shift towards sustainable development has increased the focus on the interface between environmental and other policies. In contrast to more traditional governance patterns, "new modes of governance" are characterised by flexible arrangements, which leave a wide leeway for state and non-state actors at national and sub-national levels to get involved and shape implementation.

Co-Decision and Environmental Policy: Efficiency and Transparency

Daniela Corona, Law/EUI (daniela.corona@eui.eu)

Experimentalist environmental governance in the EU

Ingmar von Homeyer, Ecologic, Berlin (ingmar.homeyer@ecologic.eu)

Coexistence of GM and non-GM and the OMC regulatory method

Patrycja Dąbrowska, Warsaw University (p.dabrowska@uw.edu.pl)

An Unsustainable State: Contrasting Food Practices and State Policies in the Czech Republic

Petr Jehlička, The Open University (P.Jehlicka@open.ac.uk) and Joe Smith, The Open University (J.H.Smith@open.ac.uk)

Report on position and recommendations of the UN Committee for Development Policy on Climate change Milica Uvalic, UN Committee for Dev. Policy on Climate change (uvalic@unipg.it)

12:10-12:30 Conclusions (and discussion of practical questions concerning publication) Annette Bongardt, Ingmar von Homeyer and Francisco Torres 13:00-14:00 Conference lunch, Pizzeria San Domenico

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The following report deals with the credit and debit entries of the Alumni Association of the European University Institute for the calendar year 2007.

1. Income

The income of the Association in 2007 resulted from an annual grant of the EUI, from fund raising activities, and net interests received on the CRF bank account.

• The *EUI contribution* amounted to \notin 10.000,00. Part of the money was withheld at the EUI to pay various expenses of the AA as planned in the *Preventivo 2007*, while the unspent amount (\notin 9.221,80) was transferred to the AA CRF Account on 20/12/07.

• Funds Incoming alumni fees (2007) totalled € 11.600,00

• Interest payments net of bank charges totalled € 20,77

The Association's income in 2007 therefore totalled €21.620,77

2. Expenditure

The expenditure of the Association in 2007 was as follows:

• Donation: Alumni Research Grant (2007)*: € 11.600,00

• Activities: Alumni and Berlin Weekends and EC meetings: € 8.773,38

• Trip of a Guest participant in the two 2006 conferences otin 189,25

There were no further expenses (related to the E-journal, publications or other) The Association's expenditures in 2007 therefore totalled $\in 20.562.63$

3. Patrimonial situation

On 31 December 2007, the Association had \in **18.620,22** on the CRF bank account. The Association had no debts at that date.

* The Executive Committee (elected in October 2006) decided to devote all the revenues from the membership fees (from October 2006 onwards) to creating an Alumni Research Grant administered directly by the EUI. Therefore all alumni incoming fees after October 2006 are donated to the Alumni Research Grant. This transfer of this donation was effected already in the beginning of 2008.

Florence, 26 February 2008

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Milica Uvalic The Treasurer



BUDGET AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS SERVICE

The Director

Florence, 5th March 2008

DECLARATION

With reference to the yearly contribution ($(\le 10.000, --)$) offered by the European University Institute to the EUI Alumni Association, I the undersigned, Roberto Nocentini, Director of Budget and Financial Affairs Service/Personnel Service, declare that, regarding financial year 2007 (1 January – 31 December 2007),

- a) the Institute received the 'Treasurer's Report 2007' dated 26.02.2008 from which no irregularities have emerged
- b) during 2007 the Institute's financial services administrated, upon request of the Alumni Association, the above-mentioned contribution and in December 2007 the balance of € 9.221,80 was transferred to the Alumni Association

EUI contribution		
Total expenditure	e	10.000,
Balance transferred to AA account	 €	778,20
a subscribed to AA account	€	9.221 80

All the financial transactions regarding the <u>EUI contribution</u> have been processed according to the EUI financial regulations and the original documents are duly deposited in the accounting service of the European University Institute.

Roberto NOCENTINI

APPENDIX 9 – Treasurer's Interim Report for the period 1/1-3/10/08

The following report deals with the credit and debit entries of the Alumni Association of the European University Institute during the period 1/1-3/10/08. This report is not an obligation but, in view of the 3 October 2008 elections for a new AA Executive Committee (EC), including the Treasurer, a courtesy of the current EC.

1. Income

The income of the Association in 2008 resulted from the annual grant of the EUI, from fund raising activities, and net interests received on the *Cassa di Risparmio di Firenze* (CRF) bank account n° 69158/00. The CRF account was closed and its balance transferred to a permanent account of the AA with the EUI.

• The EUI contribution amounted to

_	Funds - Alumni Fees 2008 (until 29/9/08; Research Fund) Interest payments net of bank charges on CRF account (Jan-June)* Association's income during 1/1–3/10/08 therefore totalled:	- * -	€ 10.000,00 € 11.375,00 € 81,76 € 21.456,76
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2. Expenditure

The expenditure of the Association in 2008 was as follows:

Activities: Alumni Weekend and EC/subcommittee	
 Activities: Alumni Weekend and EC/subcommittee meetings** Alumni Prize 	€ 7.909,25
 Transfer to the Conference on EU Environmental Policy EUI Compatition day 	€ 3.000,00
~ Competition day (co-organized with the AA)	€ 2.500,00
<i>i ubiculions-related expenditure***</i>	€ 489,14
• Donation: Alumni Research Grant (1/1 20/0/00 the	€ 618,58
The Association's expenditures from $1/1-3/10/08$ therefore totalled:	€ 11.375,00
	€ 25,891.97

3. Patrimonial situation

Already as of 3 October 2008, after the donation of \in 11.375,00 to the EUI (as in 2007, <u>the</u> <u>AA was a net contributor to the EUI</u>), the Association had 14.155,13 euros on the "Alumni Permanent Account" with the EUI. This account was created with the balance transferred from the CRF, which was closed on that day (\in 9.755,13)* together with the unspent amount of the AA budget for 2008 withheld at the EUI (\in 4.400,00)**. The Association had no debts at that date.

* To this amount the bank was to add interest from 1 July to 3 October minus the costs for the closure of the account.

** Two invoices from June 2008 totalling $\in 699,13$ (Dinner at the Badia – Villa Viviani – and bus to Corridoio Vasariano visit) still to be paid by the EUI Alumni Officer from the "Alumni Permanent Account".

***A. Verdun's assistant prepared the bibliography of the book on Globalization edited by P. Della Posta, M. Uvalic and A. Verdun, paid from the CRF AA account.

**** The EC elected in 2006 decided to devote all the revenues from the membership fees (since October 2006) to the Alumni Research Grant administered directly by the EUI; the AA transferred to the EUI: € 11.600,00 in 2007 and € 1.362,54 in 2008.

Florence, 3 October 2008

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Milica Uvalic The Treasurer



BUDGET AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS SERVICE

Florence, 3 October 2008

DECLARATION

With reference to the 2008 contribution ($\underline{(e\ 10.000, --)}$ offered by the European University Institute to the EUI Alumni Association, I the undersigned, Roberto Nocentini, Director of Budget and Financial Affairs Service/Personnel Service, declare that

- a) the Institute received the 'Treasurer's Interim Report' dated 03.10.2008 concerning the period 1 January - 3 October 2008 from which (regarding the IUE contribution) no irregularities have emerged
- b) during the period 1st January 2008 3nd October 2008 the Institute's financial services administrated, upon request of the Alumni Association, the above-mentioned contribution

The financial transactions regarding <u>exclusively the EUI contribution</u> (up to 03.10.2008) have been processed according to the EUI financial regulations and the original documents are duly deposited in the accounting service of the European University Institute.

Roberto NOCENTINI (Director)

APPENDIX 11 – Statutes of the EUI Alumni Association

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Title I Nomination - Seat - Limitation in time **Article 1** Nomination

By this Statute there is established an Association of Alumni of the European University Institute, Florence. The Association shall be called The European University Institute Alumni Association (or in Italian Associazione degli Alumni dell'Istituto Universitario Europeo) and is referred to hereinafter as the Association.

Article 2 Seat

The association shall have domicile at the Badia Fiesolana, Via dei Roccettini 9, San Domenico di Fiesole, Italy.

Article 3 Limitation in time

The Association is not limited in time.

Title II Objectives

Article 4 Objectives

1š The objectives of the Association are:

a. To promote and reinforce contacts, mutual assistance and information exchange between its Members in the spirit of the Convention setting up the European University Institute: b. To maintain close links to the European University Institute in the furtherance of the above objectives and to participate, when appropriate, in the activities of this Institute.

28 The Association does not aim at gaining economic profit.

38 In furtherance of the aims mentioned above, the Association may cooperate with institutions and associations which have the same objectives.

Title III Members

Article 5 Membership

1š Full membership of the Association shall be open to all research students who have been enrolled at the European University Institute for at least one academic year.

28 Associate membership of the Association shall be open to persons who for at least one academic year a. belonged to the teaching and research staff of the European University Institute;

b. belonged to the library and administration staff of the European University Institute; c. have been attached to the European University Institute as Jean Monnet Fellows.

3š Honorary membership of the Association may be extended to such persons as the General Assembly may from time to time decide on proposal of the Executive Committee. 4š Membership is ended

a. by decease of

b. by withdrawal of the Member. This has to be notified in writing.

Article 6 Rights of Members

1š Full Members have the right to participate in the General Assembly and to vote in

decisions. They have the rights to stand for election to the Executive Committee and to all other committees and functions within the Association.

25 Associate Members and Honorary Members may participate in and shall be kept informed of all activities of the Association. They have no right to vote in the General Assembly nor to serve on the Executive Committee nor to chair any sub-committee.

Article 7 Duties of Members

Membership of the Association is independent and voluntary, but the Members are bound to respect the Statute, the decisions taken by the executive bodies following the competencies given by this Statute, and the Italian law.

Title IV Structure and organization

Article 8 Structure

The Association shall conduct its affairs through:

a. the General Assembly (art. 9 - 11);

b. the Executive Committee (art. 12);

c. the President, in his/her absence the Vice-president (art. 13);

d. sub-committees for specific tasks (art. 16 - 17).

Article 9 Composition of the General Assembly

The General Assembly is composed of all Full Members of the Association as defined in art. 5

Article 10 Tasks of the General Assembly

The General Assembly has the right and the duty to:

a. Elect the Executive Committee by simple majority following the procedure given in art. 17 of this Statute.

b. approve the Treasurer's report (art. 22).

c. approve the administration of the Executive Committee;

d. decide on the dissolution of the Association (art. 24).

e. decide on amendments to or modifications of the Statute with a majority of two thirds of the votes cast, following the procedure given in art. 25 of this Statute.

Article 11 Meetings of the General Assembly

15 The Executive Committee shall call a meeting of the General Assembly at least once a year.

25 The Executive Committee shall give all Members of the Association notice of such a regular meeting at least three months before the actual date; the invitation shall enclose the agenda to be discussed.

3s An extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly may be convened by the Executive Committee either on its own motion or as a result of a request for such a meeting signed by one tenth of the Full Members of the Association.

4š More than half of the Full Members of the Association shall form a quorum for the General

58 If there is no quorum at the time of the first invocation, a second invocation is held for the same day and place one hour later. At this second occasion, the Full Members present do form a quorum.

6s The General Assembly takes a decision with simple majority of the votes cast except when a qualified majority is required by this Statute. Postal votes are held valid.

7š The members of the Executive Committee shall not vote on the decision regarding their administration. The President, in his/her absence the Vice-president, shall not vote in the General Assembly, except in the event of a tied vote.

Article 12 The Executive Committee

1š The Association shall be administered by an Executive Committee consisting of the five Full Members who are elected by the General Assembly for a period of two years in accordance with the procedure given in art. 17. 2š The members of the Executive Committee are re-eligible.

38 The Executive Committee is accountable to the General Assembly.

4š The Executive Committee shall name from among them the President, the Vice-president,

5š The Executive Committee shall meet at least once a year on request of the President, in his absence of the Vice-president. Three members shall form a quorum; decisions shall be taken Article 13 The President

1š The President, in his absence the Vice-president, represents the Association towards Third Parties as well as towards State Administration and the Courts.

28 The President, in his absence the Vice-president, chairs the meetings both of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee. Article 14 The Treasurer

15 The Treasurer is responsible for the accounts of the Association.

2š At the end of an accounting period, the treasurer submits the Treasurer's Report in accordance with the procedure of art. 22.

Article 15 The Secretary

The Secretary documentates the proceedings of the meetings both of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee in written minutes which have to be signed by himself and by the President, in his absence the Vice-president.

Article 16 Sub-Committees

1š The Executive Committee may establish sub-committees for specific tasks. The size of each sub-committee shall correspond to the tasks concerned.

2š Each sub-committee shall include at least one member of the Executive Committee except Article 17 Electoral Sub-Committee

1š Prior to each election of the Executive Committee, an Electoral Sub-Committee consisting

28 The Electoral Sub-Committee shall be responsible for the conduct and scrutiny of the elections of the Executive Committee.

3š The members of the Electoral Sub-Committee may not themselves stand for office at the election with which they are concerned. Given that all members of the Executive Committee in power are standing for re-election, the provision of art. 16, sub 2s shall be waived.

Title V Finance and assets

Article 18 Assets

The assets of the Association consist of:

a. the movable and immovable property belonging to the Association; b. reserve funds carried over from the last balance;

c. donations and inheritance.

Article 19 Revenue

1š The revenue of the Association may include:

a. subscriptions by its Members;

b. subsidies and grants;

c. interest from the assets and other income.

28 The use of the revenue is dedicated to the objectives of the Association.

Any surplus of funds at the end of an accounting period may be carried over to the next period.

Article 21 Debts

The Association may not engage in loans to finance its activities.

Article 22 Treasurer's Report; Scrutiny

1š Once a year before the General Assembly, the Treasurer shall submit detailed accounts of the Association's financial transactions during the previous year to the Head of Administration and Personnel of the European University Institute for scrutiny.

2š The results of this scrutiny together with the Treasurer's Report shall be presented to the General Assembly for approval.

Title VI Final Provisions

Article 23 Branches

The establishment, organization and activities of Branches shall be freely determined by its Members in accordance with local requirements in so far as they are consistent with this Statute.

Article 24 Dissolution

The dissolution of the Association shall be decided by at least half of all Full Members. In such a case the General Assembly shall name liquidators and decide on the devolution of the assets in accordance with art. 21 of the Italian Civil Code.

Article 25 Amendments

1š Amendments to or modifications of this Statute may only be adopted by a majority of two thirds of the votes cast in a General Assembly, whether given in person or by post. 2š Proposals for such amendments or modifications may be made by the Executive Committee or by at least one tenth of the Full Members of the Association. Such proposals shall be notified in writing to all Members of the Association by the Executive Committee at least one month before the respective meeting of the General Assembly. Where the Executive Committee unanimously agrees, and where two thirds of the Members at the General Assembly agree, amendments or modifications to this Statute may be the subject of proposals tabled orally in the General Assembly.

Article 26 Reference

For all questions not dealt with by the present Statute, reference is made to the legal norms and the general principles of the law of the Italian-Republic.

APPENDIX 11 – Statute amendment approved in 2005 by the General Assembly

Given the large increase in the numbers of post-doctoral fellows (almost doubling), some of them staying on for two academic years and the strategic orientation of the EUI towards combining doctoral with post-doctoral studies, the Executive Committee submitted for approval by the 2005 General Assembly a statute revision endorsing full-membership status for the post-doctoral fellows Post-doctoral fellows' full membership. This would increase the profile of the AA and help the EUI to maintain a cohesive and productive community.

Following his written report and previous addresses to all alumni, the President explained the EC's proposal to amend the statutes of the AA as to allow post-doctoral fellows to become regular members. The President asked Dr. A. Frijdal, Head of the EUI's Academic Service, to explain the strategy of the EUI in regard to post-doctoral fellows and research. After general discussion about the implications of the change for the profile of the Alumni Association and about the type of post-doctoral fellows to be entitled to join the AA, the Assembly approved

Approved amendments to Article 5 Membership of the statutes:

Article 5 Membership

1š Full membership of the Association shall be open to all research students and to postdoctoral fellows who have been enrolled at the European University Institute for at least one academic year through the normal Institute selection procedure.

2š Associate membership of the Association shall be open to persons who for at least one a. belonged to the teaching and research staff of the European University Institute;

b. belonged to the library and administration staff of the European University Institute. 3š Honorary membership of the Association may be extended to such persons as the General Assembly may from time to time decide on proposal of the Executive Committee. 4š Membership is ended

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