



Draft Minutes of the
Contact Committee CERP / PostEurop
Bern, 14 November_2013, 13.00-14.45 hours

1. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

2. 2013 Plenary Assembly of PostEurop / 20th Anniversary Celebration of PostEurop

The PostEurop Chairman gave an overview of the main results achieved within the latest CEO Forum and the 20th Anniversary PostEurop Plenary Assembly held in Brussels, on 18-19 September 2013. The CEO-Forum, on 18th September 2013, was attended by more than 40 CEOs while EC Commissioner Michel Barnier gave an impressive speech, recognizing the postal industry's initiative regarding the cross-border e-commerce. In the evening of 18 September 2013, the 20th Anniversary Dinner took place, where all PostEurop Members as well representatives from different international organisations were present. During the PostEurop Plenary, on 19 September, the new PostEurop Management Board was elected. Out of 11 Board Members, three new Board Members were appointed.

3. 2014 Plenary Assembly of PostEurop

The next PostEurop Plenary Assembly will take place in San Marino on 23- 24-25 September 2014.

4. 49th CERP Plenary in Skopje, 29-30 May 2014

The CERP chairman explained the topics to be dealt with in the next CERP Plenary meeting. Concerning the foreseen forum discussion "The need for change in USO facing shrinking volumes and less public demand" PostEurop offered their willingness to attend this event as a discussant.

5. CERP WG activities

The Chair of CERP WG UPU presented the results of the last WG meeting on 10 October 2013 in Lisbon, which was dedicated especially to the preparation of the CA session in autumn this year.

The chair of CERP WG Policy explained the recent activities and informed about the outcome of the last WG meeting hold on 25 September 2013 in Warsaw. Main items on the agenda was the drafting of a CERP procedure to achieve common European position and proposals as well as the drafting of a guide for activities related to the future CERP cooperation within UPU projects.

6. PostEurop's latest activities

PostEurop informed about the latest developments in their working groups:

- The EU legislative procedure regarding the protection of personal data proposed by DG Justice, where among the amendments is an opt-in solution for postal Direct Mail, is still in discussion in the Parliament.
- Regarding the amended Union Customs Code, PostEurop is working on details on the pre-advice requirements.
- PostEurop has signed a MOU with IPC on e-commerce aiming to support the commitment of European Postal Operators to the growth of the European cross-border e-commerce.
- The VAT discussion and the procedures regarding the VAT exemption for postal services are ongoing.
- During the UAC, the PostEurop Members focused mainly on the preparation of the POC and CA sessions, discussing especially the issues of format separation, electronic services, country classification and changes to the IB structure.
- The public procurement legislative process will be concluded at the 1st quarter of next year with some successes for the postal sector thanks to PostEurop's lobbying activities in the last years.

7. Next meetings

The participants agreed to organize the next Contact Committee meeting if possible during the forthcoming CA session in spring 2014. A concrete date will be determined later on.

7. AOB

None.

Bonn, 22 November 2013

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