



# <u>Draft Minutes of the</u> <u>Contact Committee CERP / PostEurop</u> Bern, 10 April 2014, 20.30-22.00

# 1. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

## 2. 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 and highlighted the topics to be dealt with in the forum discussion "The need for change in USO facing shrinking volumes and less public demand". He reiterated the invitation extended to the Chairman of PostEurop to participate in this panel discussion. Jean-Paul Forceville confirmed his participation in the CERP Plenary and in the panel discussion on behalf of PostEurop.

#### 3. 2014 Plenary Assembly of PostEurop

The next PostEurop Plenary Assembly will take place in San Marino on 23 – 25 September 2014. The agenda of the San Marino Plenary Assembly will contain two main parts:

- 1.) the mandatory, internal issues of PostEurop;
- 2.) Business Forum around the topic of innovation.

CERP will receive an invitation as regularly.

#### 4. CERP Activities in UPU Issues

The CERP chairman informed about two initiatives currently undertaken by CERP. In this context the basic features of the "CERP Guide for Expert Missions" was presented.

Furthermore the "Working Methods for CERP in UPU matters" was explained and the foreseen "Draft letter to the International Bureau (IB) of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) concerning European Committee for Postal Regulation (CERP) contribution concerning clear decision making processes within the UPU" as a first initiative based on the new working method was highlighted.

## 5. CERP WG activities

The results of the last WG meeting on 18-19 March 2014 in Vilnius were presented, which was dedicated especially to the preparation of the POC session in April this year. PostEurop was represented in the meeting through the participation of Lithuanian Post.

The chair of CERP WG Policy explained the recent activities and informed about the outcome of the last WG meeting hold on 27 March 2014 in Warsaw. Main items on the agenda were the Roadmap for completing the single market for parcel delivery, the CERP Guide for Expert Missions, the reshaping of the universal postal service in New Zealand, different organisational systems of the postal sector and the "Working Methods for CERP in UPU matters".

#### 6. PostEurop's latest activities

PostEurop informed about the latest developments in their working groups.

They specifically thanked Ulrich Dammann for his participation in the March Plenary meeting of the UPU and RUs Affairs Committee meeting of PostEurop that served as a preparation for the April POC session. PostEurop underlined the invitation extended to the CERP Chairman for the next day PostEurop restricted cocktail organised on the occasion of the POC Plenary.

As for the EU regulatory aspect, regarding the amended Union Customs Code and on VAT issues PostEurop is in the process of drafting position papers. The data protection developments are also closely followed by the regulatory experts of PostEurop Members.

The e-commerce initiative, also in the context of the EC's Roadmap for completing the single market for parcel delivery, is further on the agenda and a special task force has been installed to coordinate the related extensive activities. The PostEurop Chairman summarised his experience at the latest Postal Users Forum organised by the Commission on 31 March.

#### 7. Next meetings

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

### 8. AOB

None.

Bonn, 30 April 2014

U. Dammann CERP Chairman