



Draft Minutes of the CERP Steering Group meeting **Warsaw, 26 March 2014 (14.00-17.00)**

1. Approval of the agenda

The Agenda was approved without amendments.

2. Activities of the Working Groups

WG UPU:

The Steering Group discussed the outcome of the meeting on 18-19 March 2014 in Vilnius and took note of the subject discussed in preparation of the forthcoming POC session.

It was agreed that the finalization of the documents on “Working Methods for CERP in UPU matters” and on the “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”, are a big effort of this working group and will help to enable CERP to better accommodate its role as a restricted union of the UPU.

WG Policy:

The agenda items of the meeting of WG Policy taking place the next day (27 March 2014) were discussed. Regarding the “CERP Guide for Expert Missions” the Steering Group concluded that here too the working group has done a great job.

As future activities the steering group indicated the creation of a CERP data-base comprising the regulatory framework conditions of the several CERP member countries. Based on this data exemplary scenarios for “best practice regulation” tailored to different scenarios (e.g. small/medium/big country; easy/middle/difficult geography; low/middle/high developed; low/middle/high prices; etc) could be developed and could be used within experts projects. Furthermore the focus of activities will lay on the discussion of USO in the future.

3. CERP Newsletter 2014-1

The Steering Group agreed that the first newsletter in 2014 shall deal with the results of the CERP Plenary including information regarding the new chairs. Furthermore an

interview with the moderator of the forthcoming Forum discussion, Robert Clarke, is intended.

4. Preparation of the 49th CERP Plenary in FYROM in May 2014-04-30

The draft agenda and the foreseen timetable of the Plenary meeting was discussed. Furthermore the CERP chairman informed the steering group about the applications so far. CERP chairman is in contact with the moderator of the forum discussion regarding the content of the briefing note for discussants.

5. 5. UPU – Future projects

The chairman informed the Steering Group about a possible project to the Seychelles initiated by COMESA. The experts (Ljubisa Mitevski and Nikola Trubint) are currently in the phase of negotiating the terms of reference and conditions.

6. Future CERP Plenary

Until now no official candidate has shown of for organizing the Plenary in spring 2015 and/or the forthcoming years. Eventually one country may indicate their wish to hold this meeting in the forthcoming Plenary.

7. Contact Committee CERP/EC

The chairman informed the steering group that he has tried to agree on a date during the forthcoming POC session. However until now no final agreement has been reached.

8. Contact Committee CERP/PostEurop

The chairman informed the steering group that a draft agreement was reached to hold the next steering group meeting during the forthcoming POC session. An exact date will be announced as soon as possible.

9. Next Steering Group meeting

The next Steering Group meeting shall either be organised together with the meeting of one of the CERP WGs or during the CA meeting. in autumn 2014.

10. AOB

None.

Bonn, 30 April 2014

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CERP Chairman