



Draft Minutes of the CERP Steering Group meeting
Mainz, 4 September 2012 (13.30-15.30)

1. Approval of the agenda

The Agenda was approved without amendments.

2. Activities of the Working Groups

WG UPU:

The Steering Group reflected on the procedure undertaken by the WG to gather opinions from CERP members on Congress proposals of regulatory or strategic nature. The limited number of responses may result from an too extensive number of proposals dealt with by the WG and it may be advisable to reduce the number of proposals dealt with in future occasions.

However, even if the number of responses may be less than 25, which is the minimum number to allow to formulate a CERP position, the Steering Group members felt that the exercise was still valuable and useful at least in the sense to get an awareness rising and a better knowledge of the proposals concerned.

Thus the Steering Group was of the opinion to ask CERP members to continue the code of conduct in future UPU Congresses. PostEurop will be informed about the result of the CERP survey in mid of September.

The next meeting of the WG is foreseen for the first week (4-8) of March 2013 to prepare the CA/POC meeting in April 2013.

WG Policy:

The WG will provide final reports regarding the outcomes of the two questionnaires in 2012 for the Plenary in November in Cyprus. Regarding the future work of the WG the Green Paper on E-commerce foreseen by the European Commission as well as the political dimension of the standardisation work by CEN could be included in the WG agenda next year.

The next meeting of the WG is foreseen for February/March 2013 in Warsaw.

3. CERP Newsletter

The draft of the CERP newsletter 2012/2, presenting the interviews with the candidates for Director General and Deputy Director General of the UPU I was presented by the Chairman and some final editorial amendments were agreed on.

The next newsletter, 2012/3 is foreseen for December 2012 including a review of the UPU Congress in Doha with statement from different stakeholders. Furthermore the result of the studies undertaken by WG Policy shall be published.

4. Preparation of the 47th CERP Plenary in Cyprus, 8-9 November 2012

The draft Agenda was discussed in detail. The steering group agreed on the order of discussion as well as on the content of the forum discussion. The chairman informed about the answers from the foreseen participants of the forum received so far. As alternative candidates a representative from the Belgian Institute could be foreseen. The chairman will contact the BIPT in this respect.

5. UPU

The chairman informed the Steering Group about the state of affairs regarding the MOU between CEPT and the UPU, which is going to be submitted for approval within CEPT in September already.

During Congress all Steering Group members will be present at least during the first two weeks. The chairman informed the Steering Group that, due to limited vacancies, no office space could be rented in Doha. The Steering Group will seek for alternative ways of working during Congress.

The chairman informed the Steering Group about the progress in a new project between COMESA and CERP regarding a mission to Sudan. This mission is going to start in December 2012 lead by Nikola Trubint from Serbia assisted by 4 CERP experts.

6. Future CERP Plenary

The CERP Plenary in spring 2013 is scheduled for 23-24 May 2013 in Christiansand, Norway. No candidate has shown of for organizing the Plenary in spring 2014 so far.

7. Contact Committee CERP/EC

The Steering Group appreciated the valuable discussion which concentrated on Congress issues.

8. Contact Committee CERP/PostEurop

The Chairman informed the Steering Group members about the agreement with PostEurop to hold the Contact Committee meeting during the first Congress week in Doha. Items to be discussed will be the Congress issues as well as EU air security regulations. Time and location will be fixed on short notice.

9. Next Steering Group meeting

The next Steering Group meeting shall be organised together with the meeting of WG UPU in early March 2013.

Bonn, 29 October 2012

Ulrich Dammann
CERP Chairman