

## **Minutes of the General Assembly of the AESC**

**28 April 2017, Istanbul, Yeditepe University**

1. The General Assembly opened at 17:00. There were three members in attendance (Thomas Kruessmann, Oliver Reisner, Gaga Gabrichidze), four members were missing (two had excused themselves in advance). Overall, at this stage the Association had a total of seven members. It was confirmed that for decisions not requiring a quorum of 2/3 of members according to Sec. 6.2. of the Association Charter, the members in attendance could take decisions by a simple majority of those present according to Sec. 6.1. of the Association Charter.
2. The General Assembly approved the decision of the Management Board to grant membership to eight applicants who had applied for membership to the Management Board before the beginning of the General Assembly. The General Assembly thus continued with eleven members (the three members originally in attendance, plus eight new members). Four members were missing, as pointed out above. Thus, in total, at this stage the AESC had fifteen members.
3. The General Assembly approved the agenda of the meeting.
4. The President of the Association gave a report on the activities undertaken so far. They include not only the setting up of the Association's website, but also the inclusion into one Horizon2020 and one Erasmus+ Capacity Building grant application. So far, in addition to the members sitting simultaneously on the Management Board the Association had drawn four new members during 2016-2017. They all participate in the fee discount scheme so that the Association effectively had no fee payments so far.
5. The General Assembly exonerated the Management Board. It decided to enlarge the Management Board from 3 to 5 members. According to Sec. 5.3. of the Association Charter, the management board consists of a minimum of three persons. Thus, this decision did not change the Association Charter and did not require a qualified majority.
6. A new Management Board was elected. As a result of open elections, Thomas Kruessmann, Mukhtar Hajizada, Gaga Gabrichidze, Oliver Reisner and Betül Soysal were elected as member of the Management Board.
7. The members of the new Management Board agreed that Thomas Kruessmann should continue in the function of President of the Association.

8. Under “Miscellaneous”, it was decided that the Second Annual AESC Convention will be held in Tbilisi in the end of April / early May 2018. The requisite call for participation shall be launched by December 2017 at the latest. Framework topic will have to be decided upon. The General Assembly also welcomed the proposal coming from the Advisory Board meeting (held on 27 April 2017) to add a blog to the website. A fresh membership drive should be started, in particular by addressing NGOs, e.g. in the area of migration, ELSA/AEGEE and others.
9. The General Assembly closed at 18:45.