

ENGSO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, 55th SESSION

Funchal, Madeira (POR), October 30, 2005

ENGSO Executive Committee held its 55th Session in Funchal, Madeira, on Sunday, October 30, 2005, following the 8th ENGSO Forum.

All ExCom members expressed gratitude for the hospitality of the Portuguese Sports Confederation and the Institute of Sports of Madeira, who have accepted to take on the organization of this 8th Forum and the ExCom meeting in the city of Funchal. They all unanimously agreed that the organization was excellent and that the host provided all necessary working conditions as well as opportunity to find out more about the life on this island and thanked Professor Carlos Cardoso and all his colleagues for having made this possible.

Members of the ExCom approved the following:

AGENDA

1. Opening of the Meeting

2. Approval of the Helsinki ExCom Minutes

3. Evaluation of the ENGSO Forum

- a. ExCom follow-up
- b. Items to follow
- c. To remember for the next Forum
- d. Documentation and financial support
- e. Next ENGSO Forum (Contact with Bosnia and Herzegovina)

4. Reports from Meetings and Proposals

- EFPM Congress
- ESC in Athens
- CDDS Extra Meeting re. "Partial Agreement"
- EU Meeting: Commissioners Reports to ESF (Priorities and Rolling Agenda)

5. ENGSO Membership/Partnership/Observer Questions

- EASE (European Association of Sport Employees)
- COJI
- Others

6. ENGSO Registration In The House Of Olympic Sports Of

Comité National Olympique Et Sportif Francais

7. Financial Report and Decisions Needed

8. ENGSO Development Group, Mandate, Member, Time-Table, Etc.

9. EU Matters

- a. ENGSO – expectations on EU and the effects of a supporting article for sport
- b. ENGSO – wishes of support from the German EU Bureau in Brussels
- c. Report from Presidents' meeting with the Director General of the Directorate for Education, Youth and Sport, etc.
- d. Report from the ENGSO EU WG meeting, September 1-2, 2005
- e. ENGSO EU WG – now and in the future
- f. The Sports Coordinator Project: the role of ENGSO

10. "ENGSO-Youth" Matters

- Report from "ENGSO Youth" Committee meeting in Madeira
- European Youth and Sport Forum

11. ENGSO Mentoring And Leadership Programme For Women (Status Of Planning)

12. Miscellaneous

13. Future Meetings up to the General Assembly in Malta

14. Closing

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DECISIONS AND PROPOSALS

- Having adopted the Minutes of the ExCom meeting in Helsinki, members of the ExCom showed great satisfaction with the way 8th Forum concluded, primarily due to the current crucial topics for sport in Europe that it presented and very active input of all its participants anticipating thus a new current that is taking shape.
- Following the request expressed during the Forum, the most important decisions from ExCom meetings will be included in the e-mail call in a form of summary report and sent out to all ENGSO members and Forum participants.
- It was concluded that the ENGSO Secretariat will send out an invitation for signal of interest to all ENGSO members in order to decide on the future organizers of FORA for the next period until 2008.
- Having studied the reports from meetings of EFPM, ESC, CDDS, and the Sports Unit in the EU Commission, it was proposed that the situation has to be followed very closely as, due to the present situation with the CDDS and other sports institutions, sport can have a major problem in the 21st century.
- In view of applications from various European organizations for membership, it was concluded that the ENGSO will act strictly in accordance with the Statutes and discuss about this issue in the ENGSO Development Group. However, ENGSO will always be open for participation of all interested organizations and institutions in ENGSO Forum.
- ENGSO is in the process of being registered in the *House of Olympic Sports of Comité national olympique et sportif français*, and amended Statutes in French and in English will be prepared for the General Assembly 2006 in Malta for adoption. The registration will be a step forward for ENGSO to receive EU funding for its projects.
- The ENGSO Development Group was formed with Zdenko Kriz (Slovakia), Marije Dippel (the Netherlands), Ilonda Luse (ENGSO Youth, Latvia), and Toomas Tõnise (Estonia), as members, Stefan Bergh and Catarina Arfwidsson (Sweden) as Process Leaders, and Bengt Sevelius, Predrag Manojlovic as ex officio members. The three main tasks of the group will be:
 - Evaluation of ENGSO's role, aims, policies and strategies
 - Identifying a mission statement and important areas for ENGSO
 - Outlining a long-term strategic plan for ENGSO

The process will run until the General Assembly of 2007, when the mission of the group will be completed. Along the process there will be a couple of meetings, when reports will be given. Presentations on the work of the group will be given at the General Assembly 2006 and also at the ENGSO Forum 2006.

- ENGSO ExCom has decided to establish direct contact with the EU Sport Unit and the Directorate responsible for Sports and Youth. The task of the ENGSO will be to find a new channel of communication and new approach to new and/or non-EU countries, being present in Brussels, building its own relationships and being active.

- It was agreed that Mrs. Kervinen and Rydzy-Goetz should continue the work for developing the ENGSO Project "Monitoring and Leadership for Women", represent ENGSO in EWS and contact the EU Sport Unit for cooperation in equality matters.
- Due to difficulties with the current server, ExCom proposed transfer of the webhosting to the ENGSO Secretariat, after all possibilities have been examined.
- The ENGSO meetings to be held before the GA 2006 in Malta are the EDG meeting on November 17/18, ExCom meeting January 20-22, 2006, in Malta, EDG and ExCom March 17-18, 2006 (venue to be decided).