

LRPCE Virtual Meeting Tuesday 22nd June 2021. LONDON 18:00–19:30. CET 19:00 – 20:30

Invitation to all members of the LRPCE and specific guests

LRPCE Members and areas represented.

Area1 ID Heimo Potinkara

Area2 ID Dr Walter Zemrosser

Area3 PID Regina Risken

Area4 PID William Galligani

Area5 ID Geoff Leeder

Area6 PID Sandro Castellana

Area7 PID George Th Papas

Area8 PID Kalle Elster

Gudrun Yngvadóttir – Chairperson LRPCE, IPIP, Chairperson LCIF

Prof. Dr. Giuseppe 'Pino' Grimaldi – International President 1994 -1995

Eberhard J Wirfs – International President 2009 – 2010

DG Mart Villeberg – Programme Director Tallinn

PDG George Savvides – Programme Director Thessaloniki

PID Phil Nathan – EF Archivist & Advisor

ID Bent Jespersen (ID representative for Thessaloniki)

Guest: PCC Peter Brandenburg – EF Accountant

PDG Drazen Melcic – Deputy Europa Forum President

Agenda:

1. Welcome. IPIP Gudrun Chairperson LRPCE
2. Apologies.
3. Perusal and eventual Ratification of open minutes.
4. ELVS 2020. European Lions Environmental Service Challenge Grants. Final Update?
5. EF Thessaloniki 2021 - Update PID George - PDG George
5a, EF Zagreb 2022 PDG Drazen
6. 2020 and 2021 EF Bert Mason Young Ambassador Competition and Finances - Update
7. LRPCE & YLTFE – Update / Discussion
8. Young Farmers, Rural Youth Europe?
9. Tell A Thon update IPIP Gudrun
10. Resolutions to go before Member Countries
11. AOB
12. LRPCE Next meeting

Meeting commenced

1. Welcome. Chairperson Gudrun opened the meeting 6.05 UK.

It has been a great year, thanked all in attendance and summarized achievements. LRPCE is transparent and that is something we should be proud of.

2. Apologies: Sandro, Walter, Drazen and IP 2009/10 Eberhard Wirfs.

3. All minutes or alterations to be completed for year closure by 30/6.
If there is no comment it is taken as accepted.

4. In his absence, Sandro had submitted an excellent video as an update report, A&A shared this, and it was well received. The link for everyone to view again is below here.
The link to Sandro's video presentation. <https://www.dropbox.com/t/cJoYfpj98mPzKOB!>

5. George Th P reported:

99% of Program complete. Website will be in 4 languages by next week.

After 30/6 will be the final program. We hope registration will be more encouraging.

George S reported: Soon Early Bird at €640 Increases it includes Registration and 3 nights event package TF&S. From 1/7 Individual choices will be available with individual prices. Registration €260 *** Special 7 nights package available Sunday to Sunday, includes 3 excursions, lunches during Forum, Registration, Gala,

A company has bid to do a Hybrid for €15.000, this cannot be justified or committed to.

Host were expecting €5.000 not €15.000. As per ROP the Program Director has submitted an interim report. Speakers corner now being concentrated on with 4/5 slots reserved.

Directed question - why not have Hybrid with low registration cost to appeal to all.

Perhaps €10 for registration. It is being considered. Low-cost transportation will be available to be booked. **Upcoming Steering committee meeting** is important but overseas members may not be able to travel so Virtual should be considered if necessary.

5a. No further news to report at this time.

6. A great success. After a stressful few month, A&A contacted **Dieter of Belgium** and he stepped up to run it. Judges obtained, Sponsorship obtained for cash prizes and trophy, Speakers were Chairperson Gudrun, Patti Hill, Phil N.

Following questions, the A&A responded that as per ROP the responsibility for the prizes remains with the Host committee, but sponsorship can be sought.

Total of €5.000 was pledge to A&A from 5 countries. A pleasing result overall.

7. A&A explained reasoning as to why **no letter had gone to YLTFE from LRPCE**. Chairperson Gudrun had been informed in between LRPCE meetings and understood/agreed. A&A was concerned that a strong letter could backfire on LRPCE because the group had developed a lot of traction. Some leaders outside of CA4, without knowing how the group here had been formed, unwittingly congratulated them because a similar body had officially been organised in different constitutional areas. A report had coincidentally been received just prior to this meeting which was circulated to all members and 2 guests.

FIP Pino was concerned at the direction of an unofficial group that had automatically given themselves status. He believed in his view that we should now simply send a nice letter and no more. Along the lines of 'We look forward to your further communication and thank you'. A&A to undertake this.

8. LRPCE were reminded of the presentations made earlier in the year by A&A and Geoff L. Young Farmers UK and Ireland have to leave their organization qt 26 and Lions. Might just be the 'Go To' place. Working on a few joint Service projects currently. Recycling of Spectacles, Young Leaders in Service, Vision camera screening.

FIP Pino suggested we welcome YF and RYE to Lions. Heimo said the headquarters of RYE is in Helsinki and the membership is large. No relationship between them and Lions yet but recognized huge potential.

FIP Pino wondered whether it would be beneficial if Chairperson met with their leadership. We should show interest. Perhaps LRPCE should form a Working Group of Denmark, Finland and UK? Bent said it needs to be country by country, it is different in each country, there is no common policy, George Th P said it sounds an ideal platform for Specialty clubs.

A&A again reminded the committee of the history and journey of where this potential programme had come from.

Committee decided that Bent, Heimo and Geoff should report to LRPCE when it is appropriate.

9. It had been a huge success for a first idea from CA1 & 2

A&A updated that VP Brian S had already chosen June 5, 2022, for the second Tell A Thon and it would be a global event for LCIF to benefit from.

A&A has been reappointed to the Tell A Thon committee so will happily update LRPCE when there are developments.

10. All 10 resolutions agreed, compliments to A&A for professional presentation. Host committee will now post to website and all member countries as in EF ROP.

11. FIP Pino Thanked Chairperson Gudrun for her year of Leadership.

A&A recorded on behalf of all LRPCE, gratitude for her dedication to the Association through the journey from 3rd, 2nd, 1st, President and the 2 years as Foundation Chair. He also recounted the journey since 1998 with JonBjarni when they were candidates together for election to ID in San Diego.

Chairperson thanked all committee members for their hard work and wished those leaving the committee well. Heimo, Regina and William.

12. TBA

Meeting closed around 9pm (UK)