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ARFIE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Bologna – 20 June 2009

10.00 – 13.00

Present : Joachim Pequito (*Fenacerci*), Elena Tudorache (*UCOS*), Patrice Morel (*Genêts d'or*), Antonio Bria/Francesco Spoto/Patrizia Stancanelli (*EPTA*), Yannick Besnier (*AFPE*), Ann De Winter (*Mediander*), Greet Bonner (*Mediander-Ter Linde*), Rainer Dolle (*Arbeit und Bildung*), Gérard Zribi (*Afaser*), Lara Furieri (*Cadiai*), Giorgio Franceschi (*Cadiai*), Mario Gallo (*Cadiai*), Carla Ferrero (*Dolce*), Christophe Lesuisse (*Tricentenaire*), Michel et Thérèse Baelen (*FMS et E=mc2*), Philippe Bourgogne (*ERDES*), Hélène Maçon (*IRTS Lorraine*), Sylvie Hirtz (*Apemh*), Jean Giwer (*Apemh*), Andrea Morina (*Crea Misericordia Firenze*), Niccolò Varruciu (*Sirm*), Alberto Alberani (*Legacoop*), Yannick Besnier (*AFPE*), Véronique Lafontaine (*Arfie*), Raymond Ceccotto (*Arfie*)

Apologies : Robert Christian (*ACIS*), Weber Germain (*Université de Vienne*), De Groeff Johan (*Mediander*), Banks Roger, Bellion Tom (*Kraizbiery*), De Jong Willy (*CSSE*), Le Texier Michel (*Les Genêts d'Or*), Antonopoulou Falitsa (*Eseepa*), Sandrine Bem Sibaud (*ATP*), Jean Feith (*CHNP – de Park*), Jean Poitevin (*Institut Val Mandé*), Raghu Raghavan (*Bradford University*)

INTRODUCTION

The President welcomed everyone to this AGM and warmly thanked the cooperatives CADIAI, DOLCE and LEGACOOOP for the organisation of both the European seminar on Aging and Disability and the General Assembly 2009.

The AGM was held in one of CADIAI's residences for people with physical disabilities.

It is the 17th AGM this year. 18 associations and 7 countries were represented at the meeting.

STATUTORY MEETING

1. Adoption of the agenda

All items on the agenda are approved.

2. Apologies

The following members gave the President proxy to represent them: Germain Weber, Christian Robert, Lebenshilfe Austria, Thierry Beulné, Falitsa Antonopoulou, Thierry de Thibault, Roger Banks.

3. Adoption of the AGM 2008 report

The AGM 2008 report is officially accepted.

4. Activity report

The Secretary General presents the Activity Report (all activities carried out since the last AGM – see details below).

5. Treasury report

The Treasurer, Christophe Lesuisse, presents the financial report for the past year. The accounting will be carried out by the Tricentenaire association and will be divided into sub-accounts allowing for more visibility and transparency. It is the last time this year that the accounts are revised by the Actif Consultants Company, which also certifies that "the accounts reflect a true and honest image of the association". As far as European projects are concerned, the Contiempo project accounts were settled in 2009. It is proposed that the remaining amount for technical assistance to the project (5985,-) be used in human resources support for the preparation of new European projects (unanimous decision of the General Assembly). Another amount which was foreseen in the "communication" position (4805,-) would be devoted to the printing of updated ARFIE leaflets and to an update of the ARFIE website. The Assembly agrees unanimously on this proposal.

The activity report and financial report are approved by the Board and the Assembly.

6. Report of the overseers of the accounts

The Assembly appoints Carla Ferrero as overseer of the accounts.
The external financial audit will be carried out by an external auditor in Luxembourg.

7. Election of Board Members

The following members are elected or re-elected:

Thierry Beulné
Raymond Ceccotto
Rainer Dolle
Gérard Zribi
Joachim Pequicho (Fenacerci)
Philippeau (Les Genêts d'Or)

The following member is nominated as Associate Director:
Yannick Besnier (Afpe)

INTERVENTION by Mrs CARLOTTA BESOZZI, DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN DISABILITY FORUM

Mrs Besozzi presents the objectives, activities and achievements of the European Disability Forum (see attached Powerpoint presentation).

Links between EDF action plan and ARFIE activities:

- Independent living: most of ARFIE members work towards this goal;
- Access to work: this theme will be dealt with in the next ARFIE European seminar in 2010;
- Access to health: ARFIE can contribute specifically on his topic;
- Research: some ARFIE members are involved into research units (SIRM, University of Vienna, etc ...)

FREE DISCUSSION ON ARFIE PROJECTS

Gérard Zribi appeals to new members to organise a European seminar in their own countries, on the occasion of the Annual General meeting.

Rainer Dolle suggests circulating the preparation questionnaire for the 2010 seminar among members.

Also, we should keep on focusing on the theme of intellectual disability and mental health issues in the next few years.

ANNEX – Activity report

Ordinary activities

- ◆ 19 June 2008
Annual European Seminar; theme for 2008: « Intellectual Disability and Mental Health Issues » in Paris
- ◆ 20 June 2008
ARFIE Annual General Meeting in Paris
- ◆ 3 October 2008
Board Meeting in Brussels
- ◆ 9 March 2009
Board Meeting in Bologna
- ◆ TREASURY
New treasurer – the accounts are brought into line.
Audit of the 2006/2007 accounts: accepted.
The Contienpo project accounts are settled.
- ◆ Organisation of the seminar in Bologna on “Ageing and Disability”
- ◆ Regular e-mail communications to members

External activities (ARFIE representations)

- ◆ 2 December 2008
European Day of people with Disabilities in Brussels (Ceccotto)
- ◆ 3 December 2008
Study Day in Luxembourg in cooperation with ARFIE and co-funded by the FNR.
The theme was: The rights of people with an intellectual disability and mental health problems – legislation and good practices
- ◆ 4 December 2008
Participation to a seminar in Morlaix, France, on the theme of welfare work (bienveillance) – Lesuisse and Zribi
- ◆ 20 January 2009
Training day organised by ERDES in Paris (Lesuisse & Ceccotto) – training for managers
- ◆ 9 May 2009
Annual General Assembly of the European Disability Forum in Athens (Alberani & Ceccotto)
- ◆ 12 May 2009
Study Day in Luxembourg in cooperation with ARFIE (Promoting Mental Health in Intellectual Disability) as a preparation to the Amsterdam Congress on 3/4/5 September
www.amsterdamcongress2009.org
- ◆ 16 June 2009
Participation in the dissemination of the EURADE project (European research project promoted by EDF – direct involvement of people with disabilities) in Brussels (Ceccotto)
www.eurade.eu

- ◆ 19 June 2009
European Seminar in Bologna “Una terza età diversa” (Ageing and Disability)

ARFIE European Projects

- ◆ TRINNODD
Leonardo da Vinci Project – Transfert of Innovation from the former TRIADD project–
www.trinnodd.eu
- ◆ COMCADES
Grundtvig Learning Partnership – Training of managers in the social care sector

Future activities and projects ...

- ◆ Update of the ARFIE website www.arfie.info
- ◆ New ARFIE leaflet
- ◆ Grundtvig Learning Partnership on the theme of Ageing and Disability
- ◆ Last year for the COMCADES project (August 2008 - July 2010)
- ◆ Last year for the TRINNODD project (October 2008 – September 2010)
- ◆ Preparation of the seminar on the theme of new employment perspectives for people with disabilities (June 2010 in Marburg)
- ◆ 2011 – AGM & European seminar on the evaluation of the quality of services – Portugal (confirmed)
- ◆ 2012 – AG & European seminar on health – Austria (proposal by Lebenshilfe)

Members

- ◆ Members (as of 17 June 2009) :

Member organisations : 30
Individual members: 2

New member: CREA Misericordia (Firenze- Italie)

2 member proposals: ANFAS / AIAS

A reminder for membership fees should be sent out after the AGM.