



**The European Small Islands Federation
Board meeting 13th of September 2016
at 10.00 GMT telephone conference**

MINUTES

Participants:

Bengt Almkvist	Chairman of ESIN, SRF Association for the Swedish Archipelago
Christian Pleijel	Företagsam Skärgård, Åland
Camille Dressler	SIF, Scotland
Dorthe Winther	Association of Danish Small Islands
Mikaela Jansson	FÖSS, Finland
Anetté Larm Johansson	Financial Officer of ESIN (SRF Association for the Swedish Archipelago)
Rhoda Twombly	Irish Islands Association
John Walsh	Irish Islands Association

Not able to attend:

Eleftherios Kechagioglou	HSIN, Greece
Elle Puurman	Estonian Small Island Association

No contact

Giannina Usai	ANCIM, Italy
Denis Bredin	AIP, France
Denis Baric	Otocni Sabor, Croatia

Host and Secretary for the meeting:

Lise Thillemann Sørensen	(Association of Danish Small Islands)
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1. Opening

Bengt opened the meeting. No agenda was sent out before the meeting.

The meeting will concern practical issues about the upcoming AGM.

There were 6 board members present; six are required for the meeting to be quorate.

2. Financial situation

Anetté, The Financial Officer reported on:

Membership payments done and due: seven of the 11 members have paid the invoices. (**Åland, Greece, Italy and Croatia have not yet paid**).

Auditor: ESIN auditor has passed away. New proposal: Jan-Eric Ericsson, Sweden.

The board decided to accept the proposal, and elected Jan-Eric Ericsson, Sweden.

AGM: the following has paid the fee for participating in the AGM:

Sweden:	3 persons, 300 €
Scotland:	2 persons, 200 €
Denmark:	4 persons, 400 €
Ireland:	2 persons, 200 €

Neil Lodwick and Laurids Siig Christensen are guest and do not pay.

Insurance for the AGM has been paid:

3. The AGM 2016: September 26th - 28th 2016 in Brussels

The practicalities and programme was discussed.

Insurance: is in place.

List of Delegates. The list is attached.

So far 26 delegates have registered. Please register at the latest on **Thursday the 15th of September**. **France, Italy and Croatia still has not replied**. Christian, Bengt and Camille will contact them.

Estonia is not able to participate in the AGM.

Speakers at the conference, guests and MEPs will come too.

Programme:

- **Monday 26th of September**: Arrival.
 - 13.00-14.00: Meeting point of delegates at *North Aegean Region*
 - 14.00-16.00: Afternoon visits to The European Network for Rural Development (ENRD) and Zero Waste Europe.
 - 17.00- 18.30: Board meeting.
 - 19.30: Dinner for delegates at *Six nations*, pub & restaurant.
- **Tuesday 27th of September**:
 - 9.00-17.30: ESIN Conference: *The sustainability of the Small Islands of Europe* (themes, discussion, ESIN organization).
 - 19.30: Dinner for delegates: *Volle Gas restaurant*
- **Wednesday 28th of September**:
 - 9.00 – 12.00: ESIN AGM.
 - 12.00-14.00: Board meeting, *North Aegean Region*, Rond-Point Schuman 14, 3rd floor, 1040 Brussels (same building CPMR)
 - Departure afternoon. Possible Greek and Croatian translation.

The conference day:

- Programme is ready.
- Invitations should be sent out to national MEPs - **to be done by everyone.**

Presentations: Scotland, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Aaland, France, Greece,
Waiting for the Swedish, Croatian, and Estonian one. **Please send as soon as possible!**

Venues:

- Monday and Wednesday: *North Aegean Region*, Rond-Point Schuman 14, 3rd floor, 1040 Brussels (same building CPMR)
- Tuesday conference: *Brussels EESC building is the Jacques Delors building, Belliardstraat / Rue Belliard 99*
- Monday 19.30, dinner venue: *Six Nations*, Rue Grétry 50, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium
- Tuesday, 19.30, dinner venue: *Volle Gas*, Place Fernand Cocq 21, 1050 Brussels. Choice of menu: vegetarian/non-vegetarian.

Material for the Conference and AGM: Papers to be prepared by Camille and Lise.

Next AGM 2017: Proposal from the Orkney Islands.

4. Meeting calendar

- **Monday the 26th of Sept.** Brussels local time 16.00

5. Other issues

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