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6th meeting of the EPAS Governing Board Bureau Prague, 29-30 April 2009

List of decisions

The Chair (Krisztina Gönter, Hungary) opened the meeting, which took place in Prague on 28 and 29 April 2009 (see list of participants in Appendix 1). Having deliberated, the Bureau:

1. adopted the agenda (EPAS(2009)09) set out in Appendix 2;
2. took note of staff changes and of the situation with regard to the number of staff in the EPAS Secretariat and approved the measures envisaged to overcome this problem;
 - took note of the various proposed memberships of EPAS;
 - took note of the criteria governing the participation of candidate federations in the meetings of the EPAS Consultative Committee;
 - stressed the need to limit the duration of the status of Observer;
3. adopted the list of decisions of the Bureau meeting on 9 February 2009 (EPAS(2009)10);
4. took note of the documents concerning the follow-up to the 11th Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (EPAS(2009)INF14, INF15 and INF02rev);
 - intimated that the Secretariat should regularly update the list of ministerial contacts and administrative partners per member country;
- 5.1. took note of the progress made in the survey on autonomy in sport in countries which were not members of EPAS;
 - noted that EPAS would publish the results of the survey;
- 5.2.- took note of the proceedings at the Rennes colloquy on the theme “Ethics and sport in Europe” and of the proposals for future EPAS activities to promote ethics in sport;
 - discussed the work on the revision of the Code of Sports Ethics and the ways in which it could be disseminated to bodies involved in training and educating the public at large;
 - took note of the draft working document and the initial points raised in the discussion on trafficking in young athletes, EPAS(2009)INF11;
5. took note of the results of the conference held by the UEFA in Warsaw on 3-4 March 2009 on the theme of diversity and intercultural dialogue in sport, EPAS(2009)INF16;

- took note of the preparations for the Belgrade Conference held jointly with the Serbian Ministry of Youth and Sport on the theme “the fight against racism and violence through the promotion of diversity in sport” and noted that a preparatory meeting would be held in Belgrade in May 2009;
6. took note of the conclusions of the informal meeting of the organisations which wished to take part in the meetings of the EPAS Consultative Committee, which had taken place in Barcelona on 27 February 2009, EPAS(2009)12;
 - mentioned the difficulties encountered during the selection of candidatures to the Consultative Committee as a result of poorly defined criteria;
 - commented on the outcome of the second consultation (by letter) of members of the EPAS Governing Board on the validation of the candidatures submitted to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe;
 - took note of the comments made at the meeting of the GR-C on 9 April 2009 and of the decisions taken by the Ministers’ Deputies at their meeting on 16 April 2009, EPAS(2009)INF17;
 - took note of the next steps in the membership procedure for the various European sports federations which had applied to take part in the meetings of the Consultative Committee;
 7. took note of the report on the results of the 2008 budget;
 - closely examined the detailed explanations in the interim report on the 2009 budget submitted by the Secretariat and took note of the fluctuations that were possible, depending on the contributions received from current members, EPAS(2009)INF 06;
 - asked the Secretariat to prepare a comparative study of the various partial agreements of the Council of Europe with a view to establishing comparative ratios on staff expenditure and activities;
 - recommended that funds be made available for the preparation of the 2010 ministerial conference in Baku, EPAS (2009) INF 18;
 - invited members to think about an innovative theme and to fix a date which would allow the different partners, in particular the European Union, to co-operate in the context of the conference;
 - took note of the priority activities for 2010 and of concrete proposals relevant to the identified priorities;
 8. took note of joint planned activities with the public authorities and the sports movement, namely: Euro 2010 and Euroschoools 2012, EPAS (2009) 12 and 13;
 - authorised the Secretariat to use the new framework of reference to call for promises of voluntary contributions to a project for the development and comparison of indicators of good governance in sport;
 9. approved the draft EPAS rules of procedure, as discussed, and instructed the Secretariat to finalise the document in consultation with the Council of Europe legal advice department on the basis of the comments made during the discussion;
 10. discussed the organisation of the joint meeting of the EPAS Governing Board and Consultative Committee in Baku and endorsed the Secretariat’s proposals;
 11. approved the calendar for the production of EPAS publications, EPAS(2009) INF 07 and the timetable of meetings for 2009, EPAS(2009)01;
 12. proposed to hold the next Bureau meeting in September/October in either Paris or Strasbourg.

Appendix 1

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Appendix II Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of the agenda EPAS (2009)09
3. Recent news of interest
4. Adoption of the list of decisions of the Bureau meeting of 9 February 2009 EPAS (2009)10
5. 11th Council of Europe's Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport: report and follow-up:
 - Adoption of the Secretary General's report by the Committee of Ministers (December 2008) EPAS (2009)INF14
 - Follow-up activities to the Ministerial Conference EPAS(2009) INF15
 - Follow-up activities to the Ministerial Conference EPAS(2009)INF02rev
- 5.1 Autonomy in Sport
 - Outcomes of the working group meeting on 31 March 2009 (oral presentation)
- 5.2 Presentation of the Colloquium in Rennes, France (15 to 17 April 2009) organised in partnership with Rennes University 2, on the theme of "Ethics and Sports in Europe"
 - Report and outcomes of the Colloquium
 - Draft updated Code of Sports Ethics
 - Discussion paper on trafficking on young athletes EPAS(2009)INF11
6. Promotion of Diversity and Intercultural Dialogue through Sport
 - UEFA conference : report and outcomes EPAS(2009)INF16
 - EPAS conference on Anti-Racism in Sport (Belgrade)
7. Consultative Committee:
 - Conclusions of the informal meeting of candidate organisations, Barcelona, 27 February 2009 EPAS(2009)12
 - Follow-up to requests for membership and verification of criteria
 - Second consultation through circular letter to the EPAS Governing Board
 - GR-C Meeting on 9 April 2009 and decision on 16 April 2009 EPAS(2009)INF17
 - Next steps
8. Finances
 - Report 2008
 - Intermediate report 2009 and possible update of the planning EPAS(2009)INF06
 - Draft budget 2010 EPAS(2009)INF18
 - Discussion on the 2010 priorities in the Governing Board
9. Joint projects between public authorities and sports movement
 - Euro 2012 EPAS(2009)12
 - Euroschools 2012 EPAS(2009)13
 - Term of reference for other draft projects EPAS(2009)14
10. Draft rules of procedures of the EPAS

11. Baku Joint meetings of the Governing Board and the Consultative Committee

- Organisational and logistic issues
- Joint meeting's draft agenda
- Governing Board's draft agenda

12. Miscellaneous

- Publications
- Dates of meetings 2009

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13. Date and place of the next Bureau meeting:
25 May, Baku, Azerbaijan