



Standing Committee
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Standing Committee meeting
Report
7 April 2021
14.00 – 17.00
Online meeting
(Blue Jeans without interpretation)

Members present: Anna Rurka, Gerhard Ermischer, Anne Kraus, Thierry Mathieu, Simon Matthijssen, Anne Nègre, Katarzyna Sokolowska, Christoph Spreng, Iamvi Totsi, Claude Vivier LeGot, Miguel Cabral (present at the beginning of the meeting), Robert Bergougnan

Proxies: Simon Matthijssen (Miguel Cabral), Anna Rurka (Rares Craiut), Anne Kraus (Richard Pirolt), Claude Vivier LeGot (Karl Donert), Anne Negre (Thierry Matthieu)

Absente : Luminita Petrescu

Present in consultative capacity: Annelise Oeschger

Secretariat: Mary-Ann Hennessey, Jane Crozier, Lusiné Sahakyan

- 1. Opening of the meeting by Anna Rurka, President of the Conference of INGOs**
- 2. Appointment of the rapporteur of the meeting – Katarzyna Sokółowska**
- 3. Draft agenda – adopted.**
- 4. Adoption of the agenda of the meetings of the General Assembly of the Conference of INGO on 27 and on 28 of April 2021.**

After the presentation of the agenda for 27 April and the ensuing discussion, the proposed agenda was approved by the majority (13 votes pro and 2 abstentions) with two changes.

Robert Bergougnan in charge of the preparation of the evaluation activity report will agree with the chairs of the outgoing Committees regarding their input to the presentation during the meeting and the speaking time (6 mins). Consideration will be given to allowing additional time for the transversal approaches (2mins).

A further 15 minutes for discussion with participants will be added to the agenda item on proposals for committees transmitted by INGOs.

The draft agenda for 28 April was presented including an overview of the voting procedure. It was approved by the majority (13 votes for and 2 abstentions).

- 5. Organisation of the debate for the candidates standing for election before the Spring Session of the Conference of INGOs.**

During the last meeting, the Standing Committee agreed to organise an online meeting between candidates and INGOs prior to the upcoming elections. The Verification and Dispute Committee gave the indication regarding the rules to respect, taking into

account the ongoing campaign. There will be an external service provider to provide the logistics and the interpretation. The commercial offer of one contacted company was presented. The cost will be covered by Association INGO Service. The moderator of the meeting should be also external.

The proposal is to organise 2 slots: one for the candidates for the posts of elected Members and the second for the candidates for the post of President and Vice-Presidents.

6. Standing Committee opinion on the proposals for committees (transmitted by the INGOs) based on the prior assessment by the Standing Committee members.

Assessment of submitted proposals will be gathered by Simon Matthijssen and presented collectively, in the form of Standing Committee advice to the proposers, during the General Assembly on 27 April.

7. Prolongation of the term of office of the President of the Expert Council on NGO Law due to the change in the calendar of the sessions (from June 2021 to October 2021)

The members of the Standing Committee agreed to propose the prolongation of the President's mandate to the General Assembly, during the next Session of the Conference of INGOs.

8. Date of the next meeting - 26 April 2021 (10.00-12.30)

9. Any other business