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TAKEN BY THE BOARD

Madrid, 2 March 2016



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OF THE BOARD OF MADRID**

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Presidency: Mr. Agripino Antonio NÚÑEZ COLLADO (ESC of the Dominican Republic)

1/ Agenda : The draft Agenda was adopted without any amendments.

2/ Main working topic 2015-2017

The introduction by Mrs. CAPRILES, Executive Director of the ESC of the Dominican Republic, of the framework concept note about the upcoming works on « the role of ESCs-SIs in the fight against inequalities linked to poverty » was followed by a fruitful debate involving all delegations. A new version based on the discussions will be sent for comment to all the AICESIS members.

A draft report will be presented to the GA of Cotonou in September 2016.

3/ COP 21 and possible follow-up (COP 22)

The Board is informed by President NÚÑEZ COLLADO of his involvement in the COP 21 in Paris at the initiative of the French ESEC. The Moroccan ESEC delegation informed the Board of the preparation of the COP 22 to be held in Marrakech (Morocco) from 7 to 18 November 2016.

4/ AICESIS-ILO partnership

Mr. GHELLAB, Head of Social Dialogue and Tripartism Unit, ILO Governance Department, made a presentation concerning the former developments and the excellent results of the AICESIS-ILO cooperation.

The following points are raised:

- Mr. EDMONDS introduced - from Geneva via Skype - the priority file for the ILO, namely “*the future of work*”. The Board accepted the principle to hold a joint international conference in 2017 according to the same working methods than the former conferences. The Board also accepted the invitation of the Greek OKE to host and co-organize this event.
- The success of the international conference held in The Hague (October 2015) on *Promoting Workplace Compliance including in Global Supply Chains: The role of ESCs and similar social dialogue institutions* concluded by the adoption of the The Hague Declaration. The Board noted that the AICESIS contribution to the next international labor conference (Geneva, June 2016) will be drafted by the Dutch SER on the basis of the event results.

- The follow-up at the national level of the Seoul Declaration (November 2014) on *The role of ESCs and Similar Social Dialogue Institutions in promoting Social Protection Floors for all* and the upcoming organization of training workshops - inspired by the one held successfully in July in Brazzaville (Congo) – that is going to take place in cooperation with the ILO in (Guinea, April 2016) and Bamako (Mali, June 2016).
- The presentation of the developments concerning the world database on ESCs-SIs that is - as asked by the Moscow GA - a tool to promote comparative studies and exchange of experiences and practices among members, a user guide will be sent soon.

5/ Working groups

The Board noted the activities of the working groups created to prepare the AICESIS contributions during the UN ECOSOC Plenary Session and the ILO International Labor Conference.

6/ International Summer School

The Board is delighted to know about the preparation of the 4th AICESIS summer school for youth organized by the Algerian CNES and presented to the Board members.

7/ Next Secretary-General

The Board was informed of the progress of the recruitment process of the next SG and took the following decisions:

- All the members will know the documents submitted by each of the three candidates thanks to the AICESIS website.
- Mandate is given to the selection committee, composed by four members in accordance with the decisions of the Moscow GA (one member per continent: ESC of Algeria, ESC of the Dominican Republic, CC of Russia, SER of the Netherlands), to study the applications, to interview the candidates, to consult with members of the continent and to present a report to the Board of Cotonou (September 2016).
- The Presidency of the AICESIS (ESC of the Dominican Republic) will coordinate the selection committee works.
- The selection committee will make every effort to reach a unanimous proposal to be presented to the Board for final decision.

8/ Miscellaneous

- The Board and the GA will take place in Cotonou (Benin) on 14, 15 and 16 September 2016.
- The Board CA accepted to submit to the GA, according relevant modalities and deadlines, the proposal to amend the AICESIS Articles made by the ESC of Romania on the establishment of a position of First Vice President.
- Other and new initiatives. The Board took the following decisions:
 - a) Postpone the organization of high-level open seminar in Algiers on the future of AICESIS; a new date will be decided based on contacts with the high level officials approached to moderate this event. Obviously the dates must be suitable to ensure the widest participation of members;
 - b) Accept the proposal made by the ESDC of Korea to organize, in cooperation with AICESIS and the ILO, a new edition of the Forum on Social Dialogue in Asia; this event should be held in the first quarter 2017.
 - c) Accept the proposal of the Romanian ESC to organize, in cooperation with AICESIS, a conference on "*Migration in Europe: challenges, opportunities*

and solutions". In this regard, the Board stresses the need to incorporate issues of common interest for all members (countries of emigration, transit and host).

The President



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