



***International Association of Economic and Social Councils
and Similar Institutions***
(AICESIS)

SUMMARY OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD
11 May 2023 – Seoul (South Korea)

Followed by a conference on the *Labor Reform* organized by the ESLC of the Republic of Korea, the Board meeting was held in Seoul on May 11, 2023 and brought together - under the chairmanship of Ms Lydia MIKHEEVA - 14 members, represented physically, online or by mandate, as well as the ILO. The list of participants is attached. Thanks to the ESLC of the Republic of Korea excellent organization, the meeting was held in outstanding conditions.

1/ Agenda: The agenda is adopted without modification.

2/ AICESIS Presidency Activity Report / Main working topic

The President informed the Board members about the AICESIS Presidency activity report that is being under progress, particularly the digitalization of the economic and social activities as part of the main working topic *Living in the Online Age: Looming Challenges and Urge for Solutions*

The President thanked the members who sent the remarks. The report will be sent to all the members.

3/ AICESIS Articles

The draft articles have been circulated to all the members after the previous meeting and discussions. The President thanks the members who participated actively to the task force and **pushes the other members to send their comments and remarks on the Articles** to be included in the final document as it will be discussed during the next GA.

After including all the corrections in translation to avoid any misunderstanding in the enforcement the renewed version of the Articles will be submitted to the GA for approval.

4/ 2022 Activity Report

The SG informed the Board about the activities carrying out by the AICESIS in 2022 and the beginning of 2023.

The members are requested to share their information to feed the website and the newsletter (articles, news, pictures, etc.) in a more active manner.

5/ International Conference with the ILO

The ILO Representative, Mr. Youcef Ghellab, Head, Social Dialogue and Tripartism Unit, Governance and Tripartism Department, informed the Board members on the ILO satisfaction regarding the agreement with the AICESIS (that should be reviewed and signed in 2024, deadline of the current agreement) and on the state of play regarding the organization of the upcoming international conference to be held at the end of 2023 (questionnaire, background paper, etc.).

The OKE of Greece announced that it will be happy to host the international conference as after discussion with the President of the Algerian CNESE, it appears that the CNESE will be busy at the same time.

The international conference will be held on the third week of November, and the precise dates will be shared later with the AICESIS members. November 23-24 were proposed for consideration.

6/ 2022 Financial state of play

The SG presented the 2022 financial statement. The 2022 financial statements of AICESIS shows a surplus of €40,854.56.

AICESIS should not be intended to make profits but to help its members.

The final report approved by the official auditor will be presented to the next GA for approval.

7/ New AICESIS Bodies for 2023 - 2025

Following the call for applications to renew the Board and the VSGs, several candidacies have been received:

- **Africa:** Benin, Niger, Mali, Senegal, RDC, UCESA
- **Europe:** Serbia, Monaco, Romania, Greece, Luxembourg, France
- **Eurasia /Middle East:** China, Russia, Korea
- **Latin America and Carribean:** Curacao, Aruba, Guatemala

- **Africa:** Hachim El Ayoubi (Morocco)
- **Europe :** Daniel Becker (Luxembourg)
- **Eurasia /Middle East:** Oakyi SON (Korea)
- **Latin America and Carribean:** Bernardo Lopez (Guatemala)

8/ Newsletter

The President pushes the members to share their news for a best exchange between on information of general interest.

9/ Miscellaneous

- *2023 GA:* 2 Boards and GA to be held in Moscow on October 31 and November 1, 2023. And parallel event to be organized on October 30. The President invited members to join the “Community” forum held by the Civic Chamber of the Russian Federation on November 2-3.

- *New membership:* The ESC of Peru applied last December during the Serbia Board; they will officially present to the next GA for approval. Togo has not submitted any official application. Brazil showed an interest as they has reestablished their ESC.

- *2023 ILO and ECOSOC working groups:* Both reports are in progress and will be finalized to be sent out and presented during the ILO ILC and ECOSOC high-level segment. The President requests the members to share their comments.

- *Curacao:* Regarding the main topic of the Presidency and the roadmap, AICESIS should make the process more inclusive with the regional experts implementing interconnected subthemes.

President



Lydia MIKHEEVA

Secretary-General



Apostolos XYRAFIS

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

COUNTRY	NAME	TITLE
Benin	Tabé GBIAN	President
	AZIZ ARMEL PARAISO	Secretary-General
	THOMAS AGBOTOUNSO	Advisor
	LEONARD FLORENTIN AGBO	Advisor
Curacao	Raúl HENRIQUEZ	Director
	Miloushka SBOUI-RACAMY	Senior Advisor
Mali	Yacouba Katile	President
	Taher Drave Ly	President of Commission
	Baba Bourahima Cisse	Technical Advisor
	Dramane Traore	Technical Advisor
Greece	Ioannis Paidas	President
	Dr. Martha Theodorou	Head of the International and Public Relations
Guatemala <i>Online</i>	Romelia SILVA MARROQUÍN	International relations Advisor
Korea	MOON Sung-Hyun	President
	SON Oakyi	Head of the International Relations
Monaco	Rodolphe Berlin	Vice President, Commerce and Tourism Section
Serbia	Milos NENEZIC	Membre
	Dusan PETROVIC	Secretary
China	LI Wei	CEC Vice-president
	HE Dan	CEC Member; Director and Researcher, China Population and Development Research Center
	TU Xinquan	CEC Member; Director and Professor, China Institute for WTO Studies of University of International Business and Economics
	XU Ge	Member and Deputy Secretary-general
	ZHU Xia	Director, Liaison Department of the CEC Secretariat
	Li Shang	Staff, International Department of the CEC Secretariat
Russia	Lydia Mikheeva	President
	Ilya SEMIN	First Deputy Chair of the Commission on Economy and Corporate Social Responsibility Development
	Olga GOLYSHENKOVA	Deputy Chair of the Commission on Economy and Corporate Social Responsibility Development
	Alexander TERNOVTSOV	Member of the Commission on Examination of Socially Significant Draft Laws and Other Legislative Initiatives
	Gayaneh Seiranyan	Head, International Relations Department, Executive Office
Romania	Mandate given to Greece	
Saint Martin	Mandate given to Curacao	
Gabon	Mandate given to Benin	
Senegal <i>Online</i>	Cathy THIOYE DIOUF	Conseillère diplomatique
UCESA	Mandate given to Mali	
AICESIS	Apostolos Xyrafis	Secretary-General
	Daniel Becker	Vice Secretary-General - Europe
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