

**Regional Association Members Meeting
GEECT
GFS, Brisbane 20+21 November 2016**

Present:

Bert Beyens (RITCS, Belgium – Chair 2014-2018);
Vinca Wiedemann (DDF, Denmark 2014-2018)
Assc. Prof. Manuel José Damásio (ULHT, Portugal 2014-2018);
Pavel Jech (FAMU, Czech Republic – Treasurer 2014-2016)

And a total of approximately 50 members (who receive a 20page document with information on all topics of this meeting).

Apology:

Donald Taylor Black (NFS/IADT, Ireland – Vice-Chair 2014-2016);

In Attendance:

Dr. Stanislav Semerdjiev (Executive Director, CILECT)

Day 1: Sunday, November 20th 14.00-16.00

1. WELCOME TO OLD AND NEW MEMBERS

After admission of new members by the General Assembly during its morning session, CILECT now reunited 168 schools from 61 countries.

GEECT welcomed 6 new members (and now brought together 90 schools from 34 countries).

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Film & Sound Fachhochschule Dortmund (FHD)
Represented by Sandra Hacker and Fosco Dubini
GERMANY (Dortmund)
- Lithuanian Academy of Music and Theatre (LMTA)
Represented by Giedre Kabasinskiene
LITHUANIA (Vilnius)
- Sapir College, School of Audio & Visual Arts
Represented by Aner Preminger
ISRAEL (Sderot)
- Westerdals Oslo School of Arts, Communication and
Technology (ACT)
Represented by Leif Holst Jensen
NORWAY (Oslo) |
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- School of Film & Television at Falmouth University
Represented by Chris Morris
UNITED KINGDOM (Falmouth)

- Film & Media at University of Hertfordshire
Represented by Lyndsay Duthie and Peter Richardson
UNITED KINGDOM (Hertfordshire)

2. ELECTIONS GEECT BOARD

Because Donald Taylor Black (IADT) had reached the maximum of 8 years on the GEECT Board and Pavel Jech (FAMU) was not standing for reelection, elections had to take place on 21 November (next day) for 2 positions on the Board for the period 2016-2020).

Chair Bert Beyens asked the 3 candidates—Eli Bø (UNIARTS, Ben Gibson (dffb), Guido Lukoschek (FABW)—to present themselves. After individual 10' presentations followed a Q and A from plenum directed at the 3 candidates.

Barry Dignam (IADT Ireland) read Donald Taylor Black's farewell message (see attachment). Pavel Jech thanked all for the interesting time he enjoyed with the GEECT Group.

3. GEECT BUDGET 2014-2016 and 2016-2018

Chair Bert Beyens and Treasurer Pavel Jech presented the report on the GEECT Budget 2014-2016.

(The entire report of the activities of GEECT and the GEECT Board could be found in the Brisbane Congress Book).

The GEECT Board explained the proposal to reimburse partially travelling costs for GEECT Board members as part of the Budget proposal 2016-2018.

The GEECT Board summed up the arguments for a raise of the GEECT Fee (proposal).

A discussion about future expenses of GEECT followed.

Voting on Fee Raise and Budget 2016-2018 was due on 21 November (next day).

4. GEECT and EU (MEDIA)

Manuel José Dámasio reported on GEECT initiatives with EU MEDIA and announces extra briefing session on later moment.

5. GEECT TRIBUTE

Chair Bert Beyens congratulated Andrzej Mellin with the CILECT TEACHING AWARD that he would receive during the Brisbane Congress (applause from all benches).

Day 2: Monday, November 21st 9.00-10.30

On the agenda for the second day:

- (1) Vote on FEE RAISE;
- (2) Vote GEECT BUDGET 2016-2018; and
- (3) ELECTIONS for the GEECT BOARD.

At the beginning of the meeting Bart Römer (NFA) made a statement that there were not enough candidates for the board to have a real choice. He wanted the Board to be more proactive. "We all will be happy with more candidates next time and we are happy that we have three candidates", the members of the Board replied, "and maybe the travel reimbursement proposal will help".

1. GEECT ELECTION COMMITTEE

The committee was composed as follows:

Bert Beyens, Chair, Vinca Wiedemann (Vice-Chair), Manuel José Dámasio (Treasurer), representing the GEECT BOARD.

Observers: Stanislav Semerdjiev (CILECT Executive Director; NATFA) and Aner Preminger (SAPIR).

2. REGISTRATION OF SCHOOLS (NAMES VOTERS & PROXIES)

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| 1. | BELGIUM INSAS |
| 2. | BELGIUM LUCA |
| 3. | BELGIUM RITCS |
| 4. | BULGARIA NATFA |
| 5. | CZECHIA FAMU |
| 6. | CZECHIA UTB |
| 7. | DENMARK DDF |
| 8. | FINLAND AALTO |
| 9. | FINLAND ARCADA |
| 10. | FINLAND TUAS |
| 11. | FRANCE LA FEMIS |
| 12. | FRANCE 3IS |
| 13. | GERMANY dffb |
| 14. | GERMANY FHD |
| 15. | GERMANY FABW |
| 16. | GERMANY FBKW |
| 17. | GERMANY HFF |
| 18. | GERMANY ifs |
| 19. | HUNGARY SzFE |
| 20. | ICELAND IFS |
| 21. | IRELAND IADT |
| 22. | ISRAEL BEIT BERL |
| 23. | ISRAEL JSFS |

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| 24. | ISRAEL SAPIR |
| 25. | ITALY MCSC |
| 26. | ITALY ZeLIG |
| 27. | LEBANON ALBA |
| 28. | LEBANON IESAV |
| 29. | LITHUANIA LMTA |
| 30. | NETHERLANDS NFA |
| 31. | NORWAY DNF |
| 32. | NORWAY WESTERDALS |
| 33. | POLAND PWSFTViT |
| 34. | PORTUGAL ESTC |
| 35. | PORTUGAL ULHT |
| 36. | RUSSIAN FEDERATION VGIK |
| 37. | SLOVAKIA VSMU |
| 38. | SWEDEN UNIARTS |
| 39. | SWEDEN VALAND |
| 40. | SWITZERLAND HEAD |
| 41. | SWITZERLAND ZHdK |
| 42. | UNITED KINGDOM AUB |
| 43. | UNITED KINGDOM FALMOUTH |
| 44. | UNITED KINGDOM NFTS |
| 45. | UNITED KINGDOM MFS/LBU |
| 46. | UNITED KINGDOM LFS |
| 47. | UNITED KINGDOM HERTFORDSHIRE |
| 48. | UNITED KINGDOM NFS/USW |
| 49. | UNITED KINGDOM WESTMINSTER |
| 50. | <i>PROXY CROATIA ADU to RITCS</i> |
| 51. | <i>PROXY FRANCE ENSLL to ULHT Portugal</i> |
| 52. | <i>PROXY ISRAEL TAU to RITCS</i> |
| 53. | <i>PROXY ITALY CSC for ESTC Portugal</i> |
| 54. | <i>PROXY ROMANIA UNATC to NATFA</i> |
| 55. | <i>PROXY TURKEY IKU to NATFA</i> |
| 56. | <i>PROXY UNITED KINGDOM NAHEMI to WFS</i> |

The GEECT ELECTION COMMITTEE noted that 4 schools were absent for voting. (52 votes would be counted).

3. VOTE ON FEE RAISE

Votes in favour: 46

Vote against: 0

Abstentions: 6

With a clear majority the raise of the fee from €160 to €250 was accepted. (The GEECT Fee is paid together with the CILECT Fee and transferred to the GEECT Accounts by the Executive Director).

4. VOTE ON NEW BUDGET 2016-2018

Votes in favour: 51

Vote against: 0

Abstentions: 1

With a clear majority the proposed budget 2016-2018 was approved.

5. ELECTIONS GEECT BOARD 2016-2020

Elections were held with secret ballots.

There were two seats for election, and 3 candidates.

Following CILECT statutes 2 representatives from the same country can not serve on a regional board (with the exception of CNA which is a 2 country region with only USA and Canada).

With 2 candidates from Germany the GEECT Election Committee stated that (secret) voting would follow in 2 rounds: first, a so-called "vote of confidence" for the one candidate from Sweden; second, a vote between the two German candidates.

6. VOTE ELI BØ

Votes YES: 39

Votes NO: 9

Abstentions: 4

Eli Bø is elected as Board Member for the period 2016-2020.

7. VOTE BEN GIBSON and GUIDO LUKOSCHEK

22 votes for Ben Gibson

29 votes for Guido Lukoschek

1 vote invalid

Guido Lukoschek is elected as Board Member for the period 2016-2020.

8. GEECT SPRING CONFERENCE 2017

Thomas Stenderup (Den Norske Filmskolen DNF) informed the assembly on the upcoming Spring Conference 2017 in Lillehammer.

9. FUTURE GEECT CONFERENCES 2017 and 2018

The GEECT Board has not decided on the Autumn Conference 2017. A 2nd call will be launched.

And soon a call for proposals for 2 conferences in 2018 will be launched.

10. GEECT and EU (ERASMUS PLUS and MEDIA)

Barry Dignam from IADT informed about a new joint masters together with Hungary (SzFE) that received Erasmus Plus funding. Manuel José Dámasio told about other joint masters in film that actually got a lot of funding (Docnomads, Kino Eyes and Viewfinder) and he elaborated further on the Boards work of lobbying for support from EU.

11. CILECT CONFERENCE 2017

The next CILECT Conference will be held in Europe in the Züricher Hochschule der Künste (ZHdK), 23-27 October 2017. Chantal Haunreiter gave a presentation during the CILECT General Assembly.

12. CLOSING WORDS

The GEECT BOARD thanked all delegates for their presence and commitment and invited all participants for the GEECT DINNER 2016, same day, at 8.30pm in Alchemy Restaurant + Bar
175 Eagle Street

Minutes put together by

Bert Beyens RITCS Brussels Belgium (Chair 2014-2018)
Vinca Wiedemann, DDF Copenhagen Denmark (2014-2018)
Manuel José Damasio, Ulusofona Lisbon Portugal (2014-2018)
(with help from Pavel Jech)

MESSAGE FROM DONALD TAYLOR BLACK (read by Barry Dignam)

Dear Friends and former colleagues,

I am so sorry that I can't be with you in Brisbane this week but my allotted span as Creative Director of The National Film School and Head of the Department of Film & Media at IADT came to an end on 31 August and so, as you know, that means I can no longer be a delegate to CILECT and GEECT, as I have been since Melbourne, fourteen years ago, in 2002. Nevertheless, I would have had to step down as Vice Chair of GEECT in any case, as, I have completed my maximum eight year term as an executive board member.

Of course, I knew when we last met in Munich in November 2015 that I wouldn't be at another CILECT Conference or Congress but it seemed strange to say goodbye to you all a year in advance. However, who knows, perhaps I should have done?

It has been a very great pleasure to get to know so many of you during the last fourteen years. We have had the good fortune to visit interesting places and excellent film schools together, to learn much from each other and to enjoy good food and fellowship - not to mention the occasional glass of wine! A particular highlight for me was to organise the GEECT Conference "Teaching Production Design" in Ireland in March 2015, as well as co-organising the "Producing Creative Producers" conference with Robin MacPherson in Scotland in March 2012.

I am happy to say that I have returned to full-time filmmaking and hope we may meet in the future at international festivals or other screenings.

Keep up the good work and may I ask you to welcome my friend, former colleague and successor as CILECT Contact for IADT, Barry Dignam, and treat him as well as you have always treated me.

I raise my glass to Bert, Vinca, Manuel José, Pavel, Stan - and you all,

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