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Informal Executive Committee Meeting

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On 27 September 2016 the informal Executive Committee of the ISLSSL met in Hotel RIU, Panama City on the occasion of the 10th American Regional Congress (26-29 September 2016).

The following national associations were present: Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Venezuela.

In addition to President Tiziano Treu, Secretary General Giuseppe Casale, Treasurer Janice Bellace, Honorary President Arturo Bronstein, and President of ILO Section of the ISLSSL, Humberto Villasmil, participated in the meeting.

President Treu opened the meeting and gave the floor to the Secretary General who introduced the agenda of the meeting.

Prof. Vasco Torres, Chairperson of the Organizing Committee of the Congress gave an update of the organization of the 10th Regional Congress and informed the EC members that more than 400 participants had registered of whom 100 international ones.

Prof. Jan Pichrt, Chairperson of the organizing committee of the 12th European Regional Congress, accompanied by Prof. Miroslav Belina, gave a presentation on the organization of the forthcoming Regional Congress which will be held in Prague on 20-22 September 2017. In his presentation, he covered all the various aspects dealing with both the organizational part as well as the topics which will be discussed at the Congress. The registration for the Regional Congress will start on 1 March 2017 (www.ercprague2017.cz).

The Secretary-General reminded to the members that the EC meeting to be held in Prague on 20 September 2017, among other decisions, will appoint the President-elect of the Society. Respecting the regional order, this time will be the turn of North America and the Caribbean (including the Dominican Republic and Panama) region to express the candidate(s) for the

period 2018-2021.

On behalf of the Japanese Association, he also presented the forthcoming Asian Regional Seminar to be held in Tokyo on 27-29 March 2017. The main topic of the Asian Seminar will be: "Identifying Major Labour Policy Issues in Contemporary World of Labour". More details on this event will be given in the next Bulletin of the Society by the end of the year.

President Treu provided the EC members with information on the next 22th World Congress to be held in Turin on 4-7 September 2018. In particular, he emphasised the work of the 7 international research groups. He said that all the coordinators of the 7 groups have submitted their respective outline papers which should facilitate the discussion among the participants in the study groups and to make easier the preparation of the different inputs in the 7 researches. He stated that he will soon call for a meeting of the coordinators of the 7 groups with a view to further stimulating the global research. Such a meeting could be held at the International Training Centre of the ILO in Turin before the end of the year. Finally, he invited the EC members to share the information about the 7 research groups with their national colleagues and students in universities and academic circles, by inviting them to take part in such groups.

Moving on other issues, the Secretary-General informed the EC members about the letter received by the ISLSSL and signed by President Andrew Stewart of ALLA (Australia) informing of their decision of "no longer to be a member of the ISLSSL". Although with much regret, the EC members took note of the Australian decision. As a follow up, the President will write a letter to Andrew Stewart acknowledging that the EC members have taken note of the ALLA's decision.

He also informed that he had received two formal requests from two national associations to become member of the ISLSSL. The submissions were received by the Labour Law Association of Slovakia and by the Bolivian Association of Labour Law and Social Security respectively. Both requests will be submitted for a final decision to the EC meeting in Prague. As per current practice, both Associations will be invited to make a brief presentation at the EC meeting with a view to formalizing their requests.

The President of the Argentinian Association, Hector Omar Garcia, took the floor and proposed that the next 11th American Regional Congress of the ISLSSL be held in Cordoba (Argentina) in September 2019. The EC members welcomed the proposal and asked that a formal submission be made at the EC meeting in Prague.

The President of the Peruvian Association, Adolfo Ciudad, proposed that the next 23rd World Congress of the ISLSSL be held in Lima (Peru) in September 2021. This will coincide with the national ceremony of the 200 years of independence of Peru and the World Congress will

receive full support by the national authorities. The EC members welcomed the proposal and asked that a formal submission be made at the next EC meeting in Prague.

After a brief discussion among the members on various issues, President Treu took the floor and thanked very much the Panama colleagues (Carlos Ayala, Rolando Murgas, Vasco Torres) for the excellent organization of the X American Regional Congress.

The Secretary General closed the meeting at 14:00 of 27 September 2016.