

EMiL Committee Meeting Minutes – 9th November 2009

(To be approved by Committee)

Attendees – Petros Fassoulas, Mark Paterson, Alwyn Williams, Aine McGuire, John Preston, Eva Eberhardt, Anna Arki, Nick Lowe, Hilary Naqvi.

1. **Apologies:** Richard Wassell, Soon Yeng Chiam, Arjan Geveke, Bryony Hoskins, Catja Gaebel, Chris Maddox, Del Hosain,

2. Last Meeting's Minutes

Approved.

3. Future Events

Swedish Presidency Event – The Swedish Embassy event will take place on 17th November at 6.30 pm at the Ambassador's residence. The event will be hosted by the Swedish Ambassador. The venue will allow approximately 50 people to attend. The event will finish at approximately 8.30 pm.

Final Attendance List – To be sent to the Swedes as soon as possible. Attendees to be required to submit e-mail addresses.

Organisational Details:

- **Greeting & Sign in of attendees:** To be discussed with YEM with a view to having two YEM attendees greet and sign in attendees.
- **Video Footage:** Aden McGuire/another to video record the event.
- **Present for Ambassador and his Secretary:** Two boxes of Belgium chocolates to be presented. AA to arrange.

Post-Copenhagen Event at the Danish Embassy, 27 January 2010

- **Speakers:** The Danish Ambassador and Mr. Ole Krog (who is Deputy Director General of the Danish Confederation of Industries) have confirmed. Professor Hoskins is also available on the 27th and we are trying to secure Ed Miliband or Joan Ruddock to present the UK government's position on the negotiations.
- **Timing:** The event will be held between 6.30 and 8.30.
- **Decision on invitations, marketing and logistics** to be made once final line up is confirmed. Until then the event is not open for registration.

Other Events

- PF is investigating the possibility of organising an event on the Commission proposals for a new supervision structure for financial services and the role of the EP in the decision making process. Timing: early spring 2010. Sharon Bowles, MEP for the Liberal Democrats and Chair of the EP's Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee, has been identified as good person to invite to speak. We are exploring the possibility of getting a sponsor for the event.

4. Update

- **EMiL Newsletter** – PF congratulated on the content of the latest Newsletter. Charles Tannock to be asked to contribute to the next letter.

- **Website**

The new website was discussed, with emphasis on who it should be addressed to and what it should offer. AM to produce a paper on the Goals and Objectives of the new website for circulation. AW will organise a demonstration of the new operating system we are planning to purchase.

- **Facebook**

Facebook group membership continues to grow and is now above a 100 members. Information on our events and activities as well as our newsletter is posted there, reaching out to users that are not necessarily members of EMiL or EM. Committee members are encouraged to post articles, views and commentary.

- **Next Monthly Social:** Thursday 19th November at 6.30 pm at the Royal Horseguards Hotel.

5. Upcoming meetings

National Executive Meeting, 12th November 2009. PF to raise concerns over the necessity to make representations in the press.

6. Cooperation initiatives – Report

- **Young European Movement**

- EMiL-YEM → Young Professional Network – The launching event will take place on 11 January 2010 at House of Commons and will be hosted by Charles Kennedy. These events will be designed to offer networking opportunities for individuals from public and private organisations involved in European Affairs.

7. Education Initiative

No news.

8. International Activities

No news

9. Next Committee Meeting

Thursday 7th January 2010

10. AOB

AA to write to Lord Inglewood inviting him to act as a Patron for EMiL.