

MINUTES OF THE PLENARY MEETING

CLIMS AUTUMN MEETING

PALMA DE MALLORCA,

22 September 2014

1. Opening of the meeting by the CLIMS President

The CLIMS president, Ms. Kamilla Gralik, opened the meeting at 8.08 p.m., expressed her thanks to Spain, the host country, and cordially welcomed all the participants. She pointed out that three particularly important topics were to be discussed during this meeting: the accession of Serbia, the 40th anniversary of CLIMS and communication.

2. Introduction of new delegates

The new delegates introduced themselves (new delegates in the delegations from Bulgaria, France, Hungary, Portugal and Spain).

3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting in Spa, Belgium

France remarked that there was a mistake in the French version. The CLIMS spring meeting will be held in France in 2015 and not in 2014.

4. Report on the ICC 2014 in Elsenborn / Belgium

A detailed PowerPoint presentation was given on the ICC 2014, which was held in the Belgian Ardennes mountains and to which 9 organizations sent young people. Belgium remarked that it was important for the team officials to attend the preparatory seminar, but unfortunately not all of them regularly did so.

5. Further information on International CLIMS Camp 2015 in Italy

The next ICC will be held in Colle Isarco from 22 July to 05 August 2015. The cost will be € 450 per person.
The CLIMS flag was handed over to Italy.

6. Information on the CLIMS 2015 spring meeting in France

The venue of the 2015 spring meeting will be Bastia in Corsica.
The meeting will be held from 13 to 16 April 2015 and the cost will be € 400 per person for a single room.

7. Brief information on the CLIMS 2015 autumn meeting in the Czech Republic

The 2015 autumn meeting will be held at the DAP hotel in Prague from 22 to 25 September 2015. Please note: The meeting will be held from Tuesday to Friday; the cost will be specified later.

8. Problems in direct communication between CLIMS countries

Greece pointed out that the nations do not observe existing rules and asked them to do so in future. Furthermore, it stated that a booking request should be followed by a written confirmation specifying all the information required for the travellers (such as name, place, date, type of accommodation, cost). It stated that there had been instances where Greek inquiries that had been forwarded directly to a hotel were not processed properly by that hotel. It said that such a procedure was unacceptable and also led to problems of understanding due to the people concerned not having the necessary language skills. Confirming a booking only 7 days prior to

arrival provides too little notice and is thus unacceptable. The countries must always send their inquiries to their respective - English speaking - CLIMS contacts, and they should then reply to them. Mails should be signed with a name so that it is clear who is responsible. The countries should not get in direct contact with the hotels.

Furthermore, action must be taken to ensure that the secretariat always has the current names, contact addresses and phone numbers so that they can be placed correctly on the internet. Most countries thought that the confirmation should be standardized. Greece will prepare a draft booking confirmation that is then to be used by all the countries in one form or another.

9. 40th anniversary of CLIMS in 2015

The Czech Republic, the organizer of the autumn meeting, offered to implement the celebrations during the autumn meeting on which a decision has yet to be made. Since a very large number of proposals had been made, the CLIMS president asked the delegates to print out them out so that every delegate would be able to take another look at them before addressing them in the final discussion of the plenary meeting and making a decision on them.

10. Miscellaneous

Greece remarked that the ICC team officials should not be under 21 and that there should be a form containing detailed information on them. France agreed and stated that such a form already exists for French vacation activity programs.

Germany pointed out that attendance of the preparatory seminars was much more important than further red-tapism and that the 21 rule already existed (MOU ICC).

This topic is to be on the agenda in spring 2015. Until then, all the organizations are to think about the topic and forward their considerations to the secretariat by the spring meeting.