

MINUTES OF THE PLENARY MEETING

CLIMS SPRING MEETING

HELD IN

BASTIA

ON

14 April 2015

1. Opening by the President of the CLIMS

The President of CLIMS, Ms. Camilla Gralik, opened the meeting dead on time at 09:00 a.m., expressed her thanks to the host FRA and cordially welcomed all participants.

2. Introduction of new delegates

New delegation members introduced themselves (there were new members with the delegations from ITA, FRA, ROU, PRT and ESP).

3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting in Palma de Mallorca, Spain

The minutes of the meeting in Spain were approved.

Note by POL delegate: the minutes of the closure meeting should also contain the information that POL will make the presentation of photographs at the CLIMS anniversary in autumn.

4. Final information regarding the 2015 International CLIMS Camp in Italy

Final information about this camp: the setup of the ITA web site has been completed. In addition, it is planned to organize a family day / family weekend toward camp end. More details will follow during bilateral talks.

5. International CLIMS Camp in 2019 and following years

The ICC venues from 2019 have yet to be determined; that is why the President encouraged all participants to think about organizing an ICC. There were no reports.

6. CLIMS autumn meeting 2015 in the Czech Republic – detailed information

Both "DAP" Hotel and Hotel "Diplomat" in Prague are already fully booked. Accordingly, it is quite difficult at the moment to accommodate the Dutch delegation that registered at a later date, as it missed the registration deadline. The Czech Republic will review the situation once again, and the CLIMS President requested all delegations to return any rooms not needed to make it possible for the Dutch delegates to participate one more time in a CLIMS meeting. (Corresponding return reports are to be sent to the organizer as soon as possible and in info copy to the Secretariat.)

Furthermore, a letter should be written to Vafamil, in which this final attendance is recorded and Vafamil is requested to promulgate the exact date of withdrawal of the Netherlands from CLIMS. This is important, because in the course of this withdrawal it will become necessary, among other things, to change the CLIMS home page. The Secretariat is requested to prepare a draft letter to be submitted to the CLIMS President for signature.

ESP inquired about how many commemorative medals should be coined. 100 medals are to be coined.

The details & prices of the meeting were presented in a PowerPoint presentation given by the Czech delegation.

7. Brief information about the 2016 CLIMS spring meeting in Portugal

The 2016 spring meeting will be held in Lisbon, in the hotel Olissippo, from 11 to 14 April 2016. Every nation was provided with a detailed description of the venue. More details are to follow in Prague.

8. Information regarding the International CLIMS Camp in 2016 – France

ICC 2016 will be held in Puy S. Vincent in the French Alps from 16 to 30 July 2016. In this context a PowerPoint presentation was given. More details will follow in Prague.

9. Presentation of the draft voucher/booking confirmation (Greece)

Greece presented the prepared form for a booking confirmation. Then there was a discussion about which information are indispensable.

It was generally agreed that these include:

- names and number of participants;
- nation;
- address;
- date (period)
- type and number of accommodation;
- prices;
- type of messing;
- phone number of the facility
- action officer's signature, and
- space for additional information.

All nations already having a booking system and a resulting booking confirmation may continue to use it.

All nations will check into whether their booking confirmations contain all the information required and add any missing information, as appropriate.

Nations not yet in possession of a booking confirmation are requested to implement one (see Greek sample form).

Both the form and the application for CLIMS membership should be made up in English and French and in the respective national language!

10. Discussion about the change of the timing of CLIMS autumn meetings – to be decided at the 2015 autumn meeting (Germany)

DEU explained that, for different reasons, the autumn meetings should be scheduled for September, if possible for mid-September. In addition to the DEU and ESP national holidays (3 October and 12 October respectively), the Czech national holiday will be at the end of September (28 September). DEU further explained that aside from the national holiday scheduling a meeting for the middle or even the end of October would have negative effects on planning out an itinerary.

However, since it has been laid down that autumn meetings are to be scheduled for the month of October, this passage would have to be changed accordingly.

An initial query during the meeting resulted in a clear tendency in favor of the month of September.

The CLIMS President asked all delegations to check into the matter, to provide written comments with own preferences (including any "no-goes") and to forward any proposals for amendment not later than 31 May to the Secretariat.

This subject will be taken up again during the autumn meeting.

11. Discussion about the MOU ICC (teamer age and details) (Greece)

A lively discussion ensued about why ICC teamers must necessarily be 21 years old – or whether it should be possible to grant exemptions on a case-by-case basis. In this context it became evident that there are very different opinions. The CLIMS President pointed out that

the minimum age of 21 was laid down in the regulations of 2006. And she also explained that these regulations were the currently valid regulations, which is why they had to be observed at present, there more so as there was only one ICC Camp per year. The delegations were requested to check into whether they wished a new regulation for this aspect. Pertinent proposals are to be forwarded to the Secretariat not later than 31 May. A final decision will be taken at the meeting in autumn.

12. Miscellaneous / Diverse

First of all, there was a discussion about the status of the preparations for the upcoming CLIMS anniversary in autumn:

Romania will make wooden medals/plates (plaques) (one for each delegation)

Bulgaria will draw up invitations (a draft version to be sent the Secretariat)

Spain will coin 100 commemorative medals

France will collect old photographs for the history

Poland will draw up the presentation of photo galleries

The Czech Republic will organize the formal dinner and the cake

The representative of the Greek delegation kindly requested that when planning the dates for future spring meetings, the organizing country should take into consideration the Orthodox Easter holidays and not schedule a meeting for Easter Monday.

Then it was brought up that meeting dates around Easter constitute a fundamental problem due to the school holidays and should, therefore, also be taken into consideration.

The Secretariat reported about inquiries from Latvia and the Lebanon. The delegations of various countries pointed out that with regard to these inquiries they would consult their respective defense and foreign ministries. These subjects will be taken up again at the autumn meeting.

The President pointed out that the elections for CLIMS president and vice-president were coming up in autumn. She called upon all delegations to think about potential candidates and forward corresponding proposals to the Secretariat not later than the end of May.

Farewell of delegation members who are already retired or soon to retire.

End of the meeting: 11:32 a.m.