
The audit committee of the EFPC consists of Ayse Caylan, Katerina Venovska and Loes van Amsterdam.

Herewith we declare that we examined the financial report of the EFPC 2016-2017 and the budget of 2017-2018 with full cooperation of the treasurer of the executive board, Tino Marti.

During the last month there has been e-mail conversation, a tele-conference and on-site consultation in Porto, between the treasurer and the audit committee. We discussed the budget lines, the balance sheet, we have submitted our questions and put our remarks to the treasurer. There was full cooperation and the committee received clear answers to her questions and remarks were taken seriously.

Findings:

• All income and expenses are very carefully administrated; we did not find any sign of malpractice.

• The presented numbers give a realistic overview of the financial situation of the EFPC.

• In September 2016, the employees attached to the EFPC through agreement with NIVEL were officially contracted by EFPC. Now EFPC is acting as employer. This implicated on the one hand a restructuring of personnel costs. On the other hand, in this financial year (FY) caused a one-time increase of costs for the preparation of contracts and hiring HR services.

• The projects this financial year (FY 2016-2017) resulted in a loss of € 53,374 due to payment of costs of € 37,773 from the previous financial year.

• The reserves are at a level of € 41,676 in line with what the audit committee recommended before and the General Assembly agreed to (over € 40,000).

• There was a positive result for the Riga conference of € 1,113 and an expected positive result of the Porto conference of € 9,325. The treasurer explained that he and the executive board are fully confident about the coming year’s financial position of the EFPC organisation.

Remarks:

• Recommendations of the previous audit committee have been taken over and were executed.

• We judge the presentation of the financial report and budget clear and accessible.

• For the coming year, the financial reserve is strong enough.

Recommendations:

• The committee advises the board to search for structural financing so that the EFPC is not dependent on one-time projects or grants.

• The committee recommends to make an effort to keep a reserve of €40,000 per financial year.

• The committee advises the budget balance to remain zero or to have surplus funds.

• The committee advises to keep salaries, insurance and taxes of the EFPC staff to the maximum of the amount received from membership fees.

Conclusions:

• We recommend to the General Assembly to approve the realisation (FY) 2016-2017.

• We recommend to the General Assembly to approve the budget (FY) 2017-2018.

• We hereby give discharge to the treasurer and the executive board for the realisation of (FY) 2016-2017.

Place: Porto, Portugal

Date: September 25th, 2017

Signed: Members of the Audit Committee:

Loes van Amsterdam  Katerina Venovska  Ayse Caylan