



**MINUTES  
GEECT BOARD MEETING  
Mumbai, India  
November 13th 2018**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> GEECT Board Meeting 2018 took place in Mumbai, India on November 13<sup>th</sup> 2018, during the CILECT CONGRESS organized by Whistling Woods International with the theme “Directing the Future”.

The actual Board meeting started at 07.00 pm; all Board members present.  
(Chair: *Bert Beyens*, Vice-Chair: *Vinca Wiedemann*, Treasurer: *Manuel José Damásio*, Members: *Eli Bø* and *Guido Lukoschek*).

**1. GEECT FINANCES**

Expenditure (from June until November 2018):

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> installment was paid to ZeLIG for the Teaching Documentary II Conference.
- The GEECT Board wanted to come to conclusion about the 2017 Lillehammer conference on Training the trainers. The 2<sup>nd</sup> installment was never paid because there was no concrete outcome and because overall evaluation was negative. Chair *Bert Beyens* wrote a mail to *Karin Julsrud* with a request for a final report or “excuse of duties” by the end of July 2018. On July 30<sup>th</sup> *Karin Julsrud* wrote back with acknowledgment of the problem, due to problems in the transition of leadership. After deliberation with all Board Members it was decided to accept this explanation and to pay the 2<sup>nd</sup> installment.
- The 1<sup>st</sup> installment was paid to both NFA and *ifs* for the Conferences on Diversity. Due to the relevance and urgency of the subject the GEECT Board agreed to contribute €10 000 to each event.
- Partial travelling reimbursements were paid to Board members.
- In October all bank info was collected from Paris, in preparation for the Regional Association meeting in Mumbai (in order to have the budget report 2017-2018, and present a budget proposal for 2019-2020).

## 2. CALL SPRING CONFERENCE 2019

Vice-Chair *Vinca Wiedemann*, *Eli Bø* and *Guido Lukoschek* asked both *Bert Beyens* and *Manuel José Damásio* to withdraw from last Board Meeting (in June, Ludwigsburg) because their respective schools (RITCS and ULHT) were involved and/or partner in the proposal: “Teaching and researching Cinematography”

In general, the GEECT board was very positive to the idea of a conference on cinematography but, based on the quality of the presented document, decided not to approve the proposal in June. The GEECT Board requested a reworking of the proposal, and asked the conference chairs (*Marijke Van Kets* SBC RITCS, *Ella van den Hove* SBC INSAS, *Tony Costa* IMAGO ULHT) to adapt the proposal according to its feedback (for details of points and recommendations see Minutes GEECT Board Ludwigsburg) and send a revised document by 31st August.

The GEECT Board committed to come to a final decision during the month of September. The GEECT Board (with acting Chair *Vinca Wiedemann*, and Board members *Eli Bø* and *Guido Lukoschek*) received a mail from the Conference team members on the 27<sup>th</sup> of August, and, on 27<sup>th</sup> September *Guido Lukoschek* informed them of a negative decision, because the reworked proposal did not give satisfying answers to all questions.

## 3. Leif Holst Jensen’s proposed #MeToo statement and apology Chair Bert Beyens

Ahead of the 2017 CILECT congress in Zurich *Leif Holst Jensen* sent Chair *Bert Beyens* an email proposing that GEECT should formulate a statement in response to the #MeToo movement.

At the GEECT board meeting in Mumbai *Vinca Wiedemann* raised this issue in order to get clarification around the progress of his suggestion.

Chair *Bert Beyens* acknowledged that he had forgotten to mention the proposal to the Board, regretted that he was not reminded about the question for such statement, and admitted that he never responded with extensive writing to *Leif Hols Jensen’s* email.

He apologized to the Board that he didn’t share this request with them.

The GEECT board agreed that Chair *Bert Beyens* would email an apology to *Leif Holst Jensen* and inform him about this.

It was also stated that the new board will respond to *Leif’s* #MeToo proposal as soon as possible.

## 4. GEECT ELECTIONS CANDIDATES

All candidates were invited to join the GEECT Board meeting at 8.00 pm for an informal reunion. Chair *Bert Beyens* expressed his gratitude for their commitment. He also announced that *Adriano de Santis*, Centro Sperimentale di Cinematografia (CSC), Italy, could not make it to Mumbai and was not a candidate any longer.

Were present:

- *Barry Dignam*, Institute of Art, Design and Technology (IADT), Ireland.
- *Bart Römer*, Nederlandse Film Academie (NFA), Netherlands.
- *Cecilia Liveriero Lavelli*, Conservatorio Internazionale di Scienze Audiovisive (CISA), Switzerland.
- *Leif Holst Jensen*, Westerdals Institute of Film and Media, Norway.
- *Lindsay Duthie*, University of Hertfordshire, UK.
- *Patrick Geeraerts*, Royal Institute for Theatre, Cinema and Sound (RITCS), Belgium.
- *Vincent Lowy*, École Nationale Supérieure Louis Lumière (ENSL), France.

*Leif Holst Jensen* confirmed that he was withdrawing his candidacy because he was informed that the Executive Council of CILECT had accepted the WESTERDALS OSLO Proposal to host the CILECT CONGRESS 2020, and that this would take a lot of his time and energy. In his presence Chair *Bert Beyens* apologized to *Leif Holst Jensen* for not having replied in depth to his mail requesting a statement in response to the #MeToo movement.

## 5. GEECT MEMBER MAILINGS

GEECT member correspondence since 2<sup>nd</sup> Board meeting Ludwigsburg (June 7<sup>th</sup> 2018) <sup>1</sup>

## 6. NEXT GEECT Board Meeting 2019

The next 2019 GEECT Board meeting will be decided by the new Board, after Elections.

Meeting ends at 8.30 pm.

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<sup>1</sup> Member schools received following mails:

-12<sup>th</sup> June 2018: a mail with subject "GEECT NEWS JUNE 2018 GEECT BOARD MINUTES & ELECTIONS INFO", with 3 PDF attachments: "Letter to GEECT SCHOOLS 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018", "Minutes GEECT BOARD LUDWIGSBURG", "CILECT CONGRESS 2018-WWI-Elections 2018-Call for Candidacies".

- June 23<sup>th</sup> 2018: a mail with subject "ELECTIONS: VOTES AND PROXIES for CILECT and GEECT" with 1 document in attachment "Letter to GEECT MEMBERS 22 June 2018".

- October 28<sup>th</sup> 2018: a mail with subject "CANDIDATES FOR CILECT & GEECT ELECTIONS MUMBAI" about the CALL for a GEECT SPRING Conference 2019; with also, 2 documents in attachment: "Personal Letter to GEECT Schools" and "CILECT CONGRESS 2018-WWI-Elections 2018-Candidates".

- November 8<sup>th</sup> 2018: a mail with subject "GEECT MUMBAI 14 NOVEMBER", with the agenda of the Regional Association Meeting of November 14<sup>th</sup> in Mumbai, and also with 1 PDF document in attachment: "GEECT BUDGET PROPOSAL 2019-2020".

-November 8<sup>th</sup> 2018: Through WETRANSFER a document was sent to the members containing a 68 Page document for the Regional Association Meeting with (1) Agenda (2) Budget report 2017-2018 and budget proposal 2019-2020 (3) Bio's and Letter of Intent of 10 Candidates for GEECT Elections.