GEECT executive meeting
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Present Marc Nicolas

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After a brief introduction for the presentation of the members, the following agenda was discussed:

1. A definition of the duties of each member of the executive

All agreed that there was no need for a definition of the duties for each member of the executive, nor for the nomination of a vice-president. Only a treasurer, Malte Wadman, would remain confirmed.

2. A list of the various projects to be proposed as the future GEECT conferences

All agreed that GEECT should concentrate on two major types of activities : one dedicated to conferences and one to lobbying.

Conferences should be either on pedagogical themes and for exchanging experience, such as the 'best kept secrets' ones, or on organisational and political issues. Two conferences have thus been scheduled for 2007/2008:

- one 'best kept secrets' conference on technical issues will be hosted by Marieke Schoenmakers in Amsterdam, probably in November, during the IBC conference. It will mainly involve the heads of the schools' technical departments in order to allow them to discuss the main current issues of the moment (among them the HD chain is probably the most important).

- one conference at La fémis, on behalf of GEECT (no more MEDIA support), similar to the ones organised in previous years, which will concentrate either on LMD and invite schools which are currently experiencing these changes to come and share their knowledge, or on the application to the first MEDIA call for initial training (Marc thought in Berlin that this second conference could take place in 2007, but it seems that it will be in 2008 instead because of organisationnal problems within La Fémis).

It was also agreed that an official and agressive call for projects should be made to all the GEECT schools in order to push them to come up with new ideas for 'best kept secrets' and host them. The following themes were suggested: directing actors, teaching film industry, cinema and other visual media like video games, script writing and interactive story telling, etc.

3. A list of your opinions regarding the Madrid Congress (for the CILECT meeting in Los Angeles)

Although every one seemed to be aware of the problems due to the heavy structure of the organisation, all agreed that no changes should be proposed at this point, maybe later in 18 months time with the election of a new president and new members of the board. In the meantime, all documents should be sent out earlier so that members can read them prior to the meetings and get prepared.