Minutes of GEECT Regional Council Meeting 14th April 2020 @Zoom

PRESENT:

Manuel Jose Damasio – Chair (MJD) Guido Lukoschek – Treasurer (GL) Eli Bo (EB) Lyndsay Duthie (LD)

AGENDA:

- 1. CILECT Congress Oslo, Norway postponed
- 2. Regional Council Meeting
- 3. Board elections
- 4. Budget
- 5. Zoom online summit for European Schools 5-9 Oct
- 6. Next meeting dates tbc May

CILECT Congress Oslo, Norway postponed until 2021 due to Covid 19 world crisis. CILECT have communicated with membership.

This presents a few challenges for GEECT as elections were due to be held for 2 positions. As CILECT statues require a physical vote this will not be possible until next Congress in 2021. With this in mind the proposal is to extend the mandate of Eli Bo and Guido Lukoschek, who were both up for re-election, for a further year. EB & GL agreed to this.

GEECT discussed holding a Zoom online regional consultation around June specifically to discuss the GEECT budget, so we can be operational, as this needs membership approval – however we will not be able to hold a formal vote.

GEECT discussed the need for CILECT to modernise some of the statutes to enable online voting and new ways of working. Voting software is expensive, but worth exploring other ways to support this.

The scheduled Westminster conference has been moved to June 2021, just waiting final confirmation from organiser, Peter Hort on exact dates.

GEECT have a number of 'Thematic Business Meeting' proposals in for 2021 from France, Poland, Denmark, Israel – waiting full proposals for board to consider and then announce.

GEECT discussed the idea of hosting an 'online summit' on pedagogy of 'The Flipped Classroom' and how Schools have dealt with moving their courses online (ref the Corona situation and its impact on Film and media education). What have we learnt? This would take place around same time that Oslo was scheduled for (5-9th October 2020 tbc) but just for ½ a day session. Call for participants/papers would go out May,

MJD will send out a GEECT Newsletter to update membership on plans and to wish them well in these unprecedented times.