



GEECT Board Meeting

Wednesday October 8th at 16.00-17.00 CET

Present: Barry Dignam Barry.Dignam@iadt.ie (chair), Guido Lukoschek guido.lukoschek@filmakademie.de-(treasurer), Patrick Geeraerts patrick.geeraerts@ehb.be; Jyoti Mistry jyoti.mistry@akademinvaland.gu.se; Jana Keeble jana.keeble@vsmu.sk; Kirsi Rinne (secretary) kirsi.rinne@aalto.fi

Minutes

1. Preparing to Cilect Congress in Guadalajara, Mexico

The meeting accepted following documents to be sent to members. These will be on agenda on October 28 in Guadalajara.

- o Agenda for October 28 and 29, 2025
- o GEECT Report 2024-2025
- o Activity Plan 2026
- o Financial Report 2024-2025
- o Budget proposal 2026

There are currently 160 registered participants. The deadline has been extended and the final number is expected to be around 180.

The treasurer explained the budget situation and stated that by the end of 2026 the savings from Covid period have been spent. The coordinator's tasks could include applying for additional funding in the upcoming years.

Dignam briefed the board about the current situation of the SCEDI proposal, particularly about the feedback from legal council and from members.

5 applications have been received to the regional council elections: Patrick Geeraerts (RITCS, Belgium) for the position of vice chair or member, Lucy Brown (Westminster, UK), Jelena Modrić (ADU, Croatia), Jan Nâls (Arcada, Finland) and Julie Tingaud (La Fémis, France) for the position of member.

2. Thematic meeting in Prague, November 27-28, 2025

A preliminary program will be available on the third week of October. Coordinator has added the starting and ending times and hotel information to the web page. Thus far, 17 members have registered to the event.

3. Unesco update

Dignam participated in the Unesco celebration in Paris at the beginning of October.

4. FilmEU Agora report

FilmEU has published a position paper on the evolution of AI in the cultural and creative industries and its relation to European values, cultural diversity, educational excellence, and human-centred creativity. It will be included in the next Newsletter.

5. Any other business

This was the last meeting of this board. Dignam thanked warmly members for their work and contribution.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting of the new board is scheduled to take place in Prague on November 26, 2025