REPORT ON FBE COMMISSIONS
Presidency Meeting - Barcelona, February, 17th, 2017

PERMANENT COMMISSIONS

COMMISSION ACCESS TO JUSTICE - LUCCA
President : Michele Lucherini - Vice President : Suzanne Stern - Secretary : Enrico Lattanzi

Following information has been sent to the Secretariat of the Commissions:

FBE Commission: Access To Justice.
Report about Commission activity and project.

Regarding the unfolding of the committee's work, I might refer that the first milestone was achieved: the report on the conditions for the access to justice for the have-nots is completed.

We’ve started the second step about the costs of the introduction of the causes and the costs of the defence, when there is no specific contract with the defender or the opponent is condemned to the reimbursement of expenses. This new part has already been completed for Italy.

By May 2017 we wish to finish the report regarding the other nations participating at the committee's work: Germany, France, UK, Romania, Poland, Spain.

In the near future, we want to complete the report, with the notes from other nations.

Then (as third step) we would like to study some specific problems, such as access to justice for the family matters, minors, persons incapable.
There was no information sent to the Secretariat of the Commissions since the Presidency Meeting of Brussels.

Following the meetings of Brussels, the Presidency agreed the dates for the Seminar on Brexit which will take place in Madrid the 24 and 25 March 2017. The draft programme of the Seminar is attached.

The Commission has also been asked to postpone the second International Contract Competition a week later which was accepted. The International Contract Competition will take place the 12th, 13th and 14th of May in Warsaw.

Following letter has been sent to President Yves Oschinsky:
A flyer, the rules of the competition, the application form and a draft letter to be sent to the member Bars is attached. The information has already been put on the website and has been sent to our member Bars.

AD HOC COMMISSIONS

ARBITRATION COMMISSION - NAPOLI

President : Alessandro Senatore - Vice President : No information - Secretary : No information

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Reporting period: 15.10.2016 – 10.02.2017

After Luxembourg Congress, the commission has decided to hold the next commission meeting in Romania, from 4th May 2017 – 6th May 2017 in Craiova (represented by Radu Marinescu in FBE).

The Eastern Bars Commission, will work at Craiova on the topic “The Independence of Lawyers” due to the specific legislation upgrades in Eastern European Countries and the Draft of Recommendation issued by Council of Europe in January 2017 “Surveillance of lawyers: the need for standards safeguarding client confidentiality”. In Barcelona and Craiova we will discuss the activity plan for the upcoming months. The main points will consist in the presentation of the activities of promoting judicial education in schools, based on the handbook created by Mr. Cristi DĂNILEȚ, judge, member of CSM. In the Cluj county we have obtained the approval of the Ministry of Education and Research as well as the approval of the Cluj School Inspectorate for conducting the above mentioned program by lawyers of the Cluj Bar Association. The handbook, in its English and German translations, have been distributed to all present representatives of Member Bars Associations, at the Luxembourg Congress. The effective implementation of this programm will be start at the new scholar year beginning, in september 2017. During the Craiova meeting, we will present to the other guest bars FBE, in order to attract other Eastern Bars Associations to become members of FBE and to actively participate in the works of the Eastern Bars Commission.

We cooperate as well with other Commission.

During the works of the New Technologies Commission, a new scientific symposium was announced, that will be held in Wroclaw, Poland, on April 24th-25th 2017, on the thematic of “The computerization of justice and juridical services”, where the secretary of Eastern Bars Commission was invited to be a speaker.

During the works of the Arbitration Commission, another scientific symposium was announced, on the thematic of “Arbitration Tribunals and the role of lawyers as arbitrators in arbitration proceedings”, that will be held in Naples in 13 march 2017, where, yet again, the secretary of Eastern Bars Commission was invited to be a speaker.

To sum up, our commission’s works have intertwined with the works of other commissions.

President,
MEDIATION COMMISSION - BARCELONA
President : Silvia Gimenez-Salinas - Vice President : No information - Secretary : Marta Isern

The report made by Silvia on mediation has been sent to the Secretariat of the Commissions and put on the website.

COMMISSION ORGANISATION AND OPERATION
OF THE BAR ASSOCIATIONS AND LAW SOCIETIES - FFM
President : Andrea Griem - Vice President : Rudolf Lauda - Secretary : Heike Steinbach-Rohn

There was no information sent to the Secretariat of the Commissions since the Presidency Meeting of Brussels.

COMMISSION FUTURE OF THE PROFESSION – THE HAAGUE
President : Bas Martens - Vice President : David de Knijff - Secretary : Saskia van der Toorn

There was no information sent to the Secretariat of the Commissions since the Presidency Meeting of Brussels.

COMMISSION NEW TECHNOLOGIES - WROCLAW
President : Iza Konopacka - Vice President : Francesco Tregnaghi - Secretary : Anna Materla

President Konopacka informed the Secretariat of the Commissions that she will introduce the program of the Legal Innovation Conference and share some information about it during the joint meeting.

HUMAN RIGHTS FREEDOM COMMISSION - POZNAN
President : Artur Wierzbicki - Vice President : Marc Wesser - Secretary : Renata Karbowska-Kuźma

The commission will meet in Barcelona the 17th of February at 11.00.
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