

Minutes of the Third Meeting of the Metrex Network and Interim Managing Committee (IMC)

Thursday 17 to Friday 18 April 1997 at the Belem Cultural Centre, Lisbon

The Network Meeting commenced at 9.00 am on Thursday

Agenda item 1

Welcome and Introductory remarks

- 1 The Network was welcomed to Lisbon by Presidente Daniel dos Reis Branco, of the Junta Metropolitana de Lisboa. The Meeting in Lisbon was generously supported by the Junta Metropolitana with the provision of the Meeting venue, administrative and technical support including language services, and hospitality. The Convenor, Bailie Gerald McGrath, thanked the Presidente for his personal involvement and the exceptional support given to the Network by the Junta.
- 2 The Secretary General introduced the Programme for the Meeting explaining that it was the first real Networking event held by Metrex. The proceedings were, therefore, somewhat experimental but would hopefully enable the form of future Meetings to be established. The Metrex Technical Group has evolved into the Network as a whole, with the Interim Managing Committee (IMC) retaining its formal decision making role.
- 3 The Convenor observed that although the Network was progressing encouragingly, as was demonstrated by the attendance at the Lisbon Meeting, the financial position had caused difficulties for the Secretariat and the promotion of the Network's agreed activities, over the past year. He asked all members to confirm their position with regard to the payment of outstanding subscriptions for the year 1996/97, and current subscriptions for 1997/98 (due in April), so that the Budget for 1997/98 can be confidently founded on members intentions (see also Agenda item 6 of the Interim Managing Committee (IMC) Meeting).
- 4 As on previous occasions these Minutes simply record what was considered and discussed and the decisions taken. A number of the papers tabled at the Meeting are attached for background information, particularly for those members that were unable to attend.

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Attendance

- 5 The attendance was as indicated on the attached Sederunt. 31 participants from 13 of the 22 member Authorities attended, together with 2 participants from other Metropolitan areas (Rome and Berlin). Apologies were received from Giannis Tzikas (Thessaloniki) and Jose Tapial y Leon (Sevilla) both of whom had to withdraw because of late unavoidable engagements. Hans Hede, Chair of Working Group 3, was detained by family illness. Members asked the Secretary General to express the concern and good wishes of the Network.

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- 6 In addition, the Meeting was joined by 23 colleagues from the Junta, Assembleia and Conselho de Lisboa, and the Camara Municipal da Moita, de Palmela and do Seixal. With the Secretariat and Interpretariat, 62 participants attended the Meeting in whole or in part.

Agenda item 2

European Planning

- **The EU Compendium of Planning Systems and Policies**

- 7 Vincent Nadin, Reader at the University of the West of England and co author of the Compendium, gave an informative presentation on the document with particular emphasis on the Metropolitan dimension. Discussion followed.

- **The European Spatial Development Perspective (ESDP)**

- 8 This important Inter Governmental policy document will be published after it is considered at the Nordwijk Council of Ministers Meeting, in June. The Secretary General referred to the Secretariat paper outlining the possible form and content of the ESDP. Reference was also made, by the Secretary General, to a paper from Professor Klaus R Kunzmann, of Dortmund University, on "Scenarios for European Spatial Development", circulated as a late item. The Professor has agreed to be a keynote speaker at the Nice Conference. It was noted that the ESDP will be the subject of a briefing to the Network, by Phillipe Doucet of DGXVI, at the Krakow Meeting in September. Discussion followed. (Summaries attached).

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Presentations on Berlin and on Lisbon

- 9 Eckart D Stratenschulle, Director of the European Academy of Berlin, gave a short presentation on the networking interests of the Academy and some observations on the planning position in Berlin. It was agreed in discussion that the Secretary General should explore the possibility of a working relationship between the Academy and the Network.

- 10 Professor Jorge Gaspar, of Lisbon University and a Consultant to the Junta Metropolitana, gave an informative presentation on the strategic planning position in Lisbon. A summary of the Professor's paper is attached for further information. It deals particularly with the dynamics of population and housing change in the Metropolitan Region and of the implications for the transportation network.

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Working Group Session

- 11 The Chairs of the three Metrex Working Groups, and the Secretariat, met in Rotterdam last December to agree a common approach to the Working Group process. This involved an initial Questionnaire on each topic accompanied by a worked example. The first stage intention, up to the Lisbon Meeting, was to identify comparative findings, as the basis for a second stage of work, up to the Krakow Meeting, during which conclusions and directions would be sought.

Agenda item 4 continued

Working Group 1. Sustainability and the Metropolitan Planning Process

- 12 Catherine Sykianaki gave a comparative summary presentation (attached) of the responses received from Group members to the Questionnaire and Athens Working Example, circulated earlier this year. Responses were included from Athens, Zaragoza, Lisbon and Rotterdam. A full report was also made available to members. The response from Sevilla will be incorporated after the Meeting. It was agreed that responses would be sought from the remaining members of the Working Group (Genoa, Emilia - Romagna and Malaga) and from any other members of the Network with a contribution to make. Klito Gerardi, Chair of the Group, invited its members to attend a working session, in Athens in June or September, to progress the initial findings of the Questionnaire to conclusions and directions.

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Working Group 2. Planning for economic change at the Metropolitan level.

- 13 Fred de Ruitter also gave a comparative summary presentation (attached) of the responses received to the Questionnaire and Rotterdam Working Example, circulated earlier this year. Responses were included from Rotterdam, Alpes Maritimes, Lisbon, Krakow and Glasgow and the Clyde Valley. It was similarly agreed that further responses would be sought from Turin, Riga, Lombardia, Helsinki and Gdansk (with which Rotterdam has links) together with any other interested member of the Network. Work will then continue, towards conclusions and directions, for the Krakow Meeting.

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The Metrex Atlas/Directory

- **The Atlas**

- 14 Richard Kouprie circulated copies of the Atlas in its "Try Out" form. It included contributions from the 6 authorities of Rotterdam, Turin, Zaragoza, Vienna, Stockholm and Helsinki. Riga was also enclosed and Athens was received. Contributions are in the process of being produced from Sevilla, Genoa, Emilia-Romagna, Glasgow and the Clyde Valley and Lisbon. The Try Out will be forwarded to DGXVI to support the Metrex submission, made in March, for co funding of the production costs.
- 15 A copy of the Try Out will be sent, with the Lisbon Meeting Minutes, to all Members that have not yet made a contribution to the Atlas with an invitation to contact Richard Kouprie (00 31 10 489 6499) to discuss their participation in the production process. The intention is to complete all preparatory work by the Krakow Meeting and to then proceed with production for the Nice Conference.
- 16 Members wished to record their thanks and appreciation to the Rotterdam team for the quality of the Try Out and the promise that it clearly offers of a unique and well conceived information source.

- **The Directory**

- 17 Richard Kouprie observed that the Directory, which it had been agreed at the Nice Meeting might beneficially be combined with the Atlas, had not received so much attention as the Atlas. In discussion it was agreed that the Directory might usefully be prepared quickly, through the Secretariat, but to the Atlas format, offering the options to combine the two documents or publish separately.
- 18 It was observed that the rate of change of the information in the Atlas and the Directory were likely to differ and that a separate approach would allow the Directory to be more regularly updated. It was agreed that the situation would be reviewed at the Krakow Meeting.
- 19 It was also agreed that both documents should be progressed with electronic publication in mind and exploratory examples prepared for consideration at Krakow.

The Thursday session closed at 5.00 pm

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The Friday session commenced at 9.15 am

Opening remarks

- 20 The Convenor opened the proceedings by welcoming Stanislaw Denko, Director of Planning for the City of Krakow, and confirming that the Autumn Meeting of the Network would take place in Krakow on Thursday 25 and Friday 26 September 1997, followed by a Study Visit on Saturday 27 September. Details will follow shortly to enable members to make early arrangements and bookings. The Convenor thanked Stanislaw Denko warmly, on behalf of the Network, for his kindness in extending this invitation to Metrex (see also Agenda item 7 which refers to the innovative form that this Meeting could take).

Agenda item 7

Working Group 3. Integrated Land Use and Transportation planning

- 21 As mentioned earlier, under Agenda item 1, Hans Hede, Chair of Working Group 3, was unable to attend. Jim Parke, from the Secretariat, prepared a summary comparative presentation from the full report prepared for circulation by Hans Hede. Responses were included from Stockholm, Alpes Maritimes, Munich and Rotterdam and added to by Questionnaires completed at the Meeting by Vienna and Turin. Further responses will be sought from the remaining Group members, including, Genoa, Thessaloniki, Brussels and Budapest. Conclusions and directions will then be considered by the Group in the period up to the Krakow Meeting. Jim Parke will liaise with Hans Hede on this and contact members in due course.

Agenda item 7 continued

Working Group findings and conclusions

- 22 The Secretary General agreed to incorporate the Findings of the Working Groups into the Minutes, as an attachment, for reference by Group members. Catherine Sykianiki emphasised the need for Groups to consider the inter relationships between Findings in the next stages of the Working Group process. Group Chairs will now consider how to progress the work of their Groups, having regard to the additional responses that are outstanding. The Secretariat will co ordinate this and keep all members informed.

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Experimental Network Dialogue Sessions 1 and 2

- **“Restructuring Metropolitan areas for the 21st Century”
Identifying priorities for change and implementing key projects,
including funding options.**

23 This experimental session was introduced to explore the interest in, and benefit from, the Network working together on a topic of common interest. Alastair Wyllie arranged the members in four tables of about eight participants each. Members were asked to present the priorities for change in their Metropolitan area, to identify issues in common, and to then rank these as shared priorities. Subsequently, in Session 2 after lunch, members were asked, with regard to funding mechanisms, to describe from experience what works, what does not work, and what could work.

24 Members found the time available to complete this approach inadequate but did manage to reach conclusions to be presented to the Meeting as a whole. These are summarised in an attachment to these Minutes. The Sessions did achieve their objective in promoting a networking exchange but were only superficial in their content, given the time available and the need for sequential language translations. In discussion later (see IMC Agenda item 5) it was suggested that members attending the Krakow Meeting could take real issues for consideration, as an “expert group,” to promote a practical exchange of information and experience. This suggestion has been taken up as a development of the Lisbon Meeting experiment.

The Network Meeting closed at 4.00 pm and reconvened for the Interim Managing Committee (IMC) Meeting.

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Sederunt

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Martin DAVIDSON	Director, Property & Environment	Glasgow Development Agency
Jussi VUORINEN	Chief Master Planner	Helsinki Region
Stanislaw DENKO	Chief Architect	City of Krakow Council
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João Sequeira SEABRA	Deputado	Assembleia Metropolitana de Lisboa
Joaquim MATIAS	Deputado	Assembleia Metropolitana de Lisboa
Luis Costa TAVARES	Deputado	Assembleia Metropolitana de Lisboa
Manuel VEIGA	Deputado	Assembleia Metropolitana de Lisboa
Herminio BARATA	Assessor	Área Metropolitana de Lisboa
Jorge GASPAS	Assessor	Área Metropolitana de Lisboa
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Paula COSTA	Assessor	Câmara Municipal do Seixal
Alves COELHO	Convidado	
Francisco KEIL DO AMARAL	Convidado	
Paul Hestnes FERREIRA	Convidado	
Teresa CRAVEIRA	Convidado	
Maria Luisa PEDRAZZINI	Architetto	Regione Lombardia
Fred DE RUITER	General Manager, Urban Planning & Housing	Rotterdam City Council
Richard KOUPIRIE	Chief Urban and Regional Planner	Rotterdam City Council
Mercedes BRESSO	Presidente	Provincia di Torino
Gianni SAVINO	Dirigente Servizio Urbanistico	Provincia di Torino
Vincent NADIN	Reader, Faculty of the Built Environment	University of the West of England
Johannes GIELGE	Urban Planning Officer	City of Vienna
Jose-Ignacio SENAO GOMEZ	Presidente	Diputación Provincial de Zaragoza
Gregorio JALLE RUPEREZ	Vicepresidente Tercero	Diputación Provincial de Zaragoza
Pablo CALVO Y RUATA	Director del Area de Cooperación	Diputación Provincial de Zaragoza

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Jane GRACEY	Italian Interpreter	METREX Interpretariat
Alicia HARLAND	Spanish Interpreter	METREX Interpretariat
Douglas HERBISON	Chief Executive	European Urban Institute
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Attachments

(Numbered items to follow)

- 1 Summary paper by Vincent Nadin on the EU Compendium of Planning Systems and Policies.
- 2 OHP's summarising the possible form and content of the ESDP, and the "Scenarios for European Spatial Development", by Professor Klaus Kunzmann.
- 3 Summary of the presentation on Lisbon Metropolitan Area by Professor Jorge Gaspar.
- 4 Working Group summary presentations (3).
- 5 Summary of the outcome of the experimental Network dialogue session on "Restructuring Metropolitan Areas for the 21st Century".

Roger Read
Secretary General

Glasgow
Tuesday 22 April 1997

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The Meeting of the Interim Managing Committee (IMC) commenced at 4.00pm

Agenda item 1

Attendance and apologies

- 1 23 Members attended as shown on the attached Sederunt. Apologies were received from Giannis Tzikas (Thessaloniki), Jose Tapial y Leon (Sevilla) and Hans Hede (Stockholm).

Agenda item 2

Approval of the Minutes of the Second Meeting of the IMC, Nice, 18 October 1996

- 2 Additional copies of the Minutes were made available at the Meeting, as required, and these were considered and approved.

Agenda item 3

Reports for information and discussion

3a Meeting with the European Commission, DGXVI, 29 January 1997

- 3 The report by the Secretariat was noted. The Secretary General reported that M Leygues, of DGXVI, had responded to the Network's Submission for co funding of the Nice Conference to suggest a formal submission under the RECITE II programme as the provisions used to co fund the Glasgow Conference were no longer available. This is being investigated by the Secretariat. The Secretary General also reported that the Commissioner, Mrs Wulf-Mathies, will reply within two weeks to the Convenor's invitation to be Patron of the Nice Conference. If this is favourable the Convenor will seek a meeting with the Commissioner, involving colleagues from the Conseil General des Alpes Maritimes. A response to the Network's Submission for co funding support for the Atlas/Directory is awaited. The Atlas "Try Out" will be submitted by the Secretariat in support of this. Phillipe Doucet, who is the contact official for the European Spatial Development Plan (ESDP), will be formally invited to the Krakow Meeting now that a date has been confirmed.

3b RECITE II and ECOS-OUVERTURE II

- 4 The Meeting received a report from Douglas Herbison (Chief Executive of the European Urban Institute in succession to Mike Greig), following his attendance at the EU Commission's "Directoria" meeting in Strasbourg, in February, when these two EU programmes were promoted. The problem with RECITE II is that, although its overall objectives are compatible with Metrex activities and interests, the chosen fields of action for 1997/98 are

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not. ECOS-OUVERTURE II offers greater possibilities and these are being pursued (see attached proposal for a submission on "The Metropolitan planning response to large scale industrial closures, including economic, social and environmental impacts and development problems and opportunities").

3c Annual Conference of the Agences d'Urbanisme, October 1996

- 5 The Meeting received an additional written and verbal report from Jim Parke, of the Secretariat, who attended this Conference on behalf of the Network, as substitute for Vincent Goodstadt (Glasgow and the Clyde Valley). The Agences d'Urbanisme promote the co-ordinated planning and development of a variety of French Cities and Metropolitan areas. There is the opportunity to develop a working relationship with Metrex which will be pursued by the Secretariat.

3d Regions and the Information Society, January 1996

- 6 Klito Gerardi (Athens) attended this EU sponsored Conference and gave a written and verbal report to members for their information and interest.

3e/3f Metrex Working Groups (e) and The Metrex Atlas/Directory (f)

- 7 This item was dealt with under Agenda items 4 to 7 of the full Metrex Meeting. The IMC noted the position recorded there.

3g Regional Planning Forums in the UK

- 8 The IMC noted the information contained in this Secretariat report.

3h The Proceedings of the 1996 Conference of Metropolitan Regions, in Glasgow

- 9 The IMC noted with pleasure that the Proceedings have been published and circulated to participants, contributors and interested parties.

Agenda item 4

Arrangements for the 1998 Metrex Conference, Nice, 26-28 March 1998

- 10 The Secretary General reported on the response from DGXVI to the Network's Submission for Conference co-funding. DGXVI has suggested that a further submission be made under RECITE II but it is difficult to see how

this could be done within the fields of action for 1997/98 (see also agenda item 3b). The Secretariat will continue negotiations with the Commission. When a response is received from the Commissioner, Mrs Wulf-Mathies, to the Convenor's invitation to be Conference Patron, the contribution by the

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- Commission to the proceedings themselves (in relation to the European Spatial Development Perspective) and the budget will be reviewed by the Secretariat, in consultation with colleagues from the Conseil General des Alpes Maritimes.
- 11 The Secretary General reported that the Acropolis Conference Centre, Nice, had been provisionally reserved. Negotiations have been opened with the Centre management to clarify the cost of the venue and the support services (including languages) required. The Secretariat will be meeting colleagues from the Conseil General, in June, to confirm the detailed arrangements.
- 12 The Secretary General confirmed that Professor Klaus Kunzmann, Jean Monet Professor of European Spatial Planning at Dortmund University, has agreed to be a keynote speaker. Contact will now be made with the 18 possible Conference Workshop contributing Metropolitan Regions (see also Agenda item 5 below). The intention is to publish the Conference Brochure for circulation, after the summer holiday period, in September. The prospective Mailing List will be revised and updated by the Secretariat.
- 13 The IMC noted the action being taken by the Secretariat to progress the Conference. It was suggested and agreed that the Conference theme should refer to "Spatial Planning and Development in Europe", to accord more completely with the terms of reference of the ESDP.

Agenda item 5

Developing the Metrex Network

- 14 The Secretary General displayed and circulated an OHP slide raising a number of points for discussion. These included,

- **EU Recognition.**

It was concluded that EU recognition could be sought on the basis of the value of a Network of practitioners to the ongoing ESDP process. The Atlas and Directory are relevant to this, as is the Conference. The Secretariat will progress this with the Commission and through MEP's and Committee of the Regions (COR) members.

- **Growing the Membership**

On the long term assumption that the EU will develop from 15 to 25 members, to include the eastern European and Baltic states, and that representation from France and Germany should ideally include several members, it seemed reasonable to aim for a Metrex membership of 30 to

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35 within two years. The value of the Network to its Members would increase with such growth. This means the attraction of some 18 further subscribing members, which accords with the number of Conference Workshop contributors that will be sought. A prospective list is attached and these Metropolitan areas will be approached by the Secretariat, particularly those who might be interested in attending the Krakow Meeting.

- **Tasks**

The Network has now taken a number of initiatives to promote its common interests which can be summarised as, the Atlas/Directory, an Internet presence, three Working Groups, the Conference, a possible ECOS-OUVERTURE submission, and specific inter member networking possibilities (for example, in relation to Geographic Information Systems).

This latter point was the subject of proforma returns from members, at the Meeting, listing 3 points of potential knowledge transfer to other members and 3 points of knowledge transfer need from other members. The Secretariat will analyse these for members interest and identify the possible inter action between them (see attachment). The subject for the proposed ECOS-OUVERTURE bid emerged from this exercise.

- **Form of Meeting**

Two members suggested that the Meeting could be used for practical networking and the beneficial exchange of applied knowledge if the Metropolitan area in which a Meeting was held was used as a subject for study and group working. This suggestion was enthusiastically supported and will be adopted for the Krakow Meeting.

- **What do members want from membership?**

The fundamental resource of the Network is its members and their knowledge. A key objective is its exchange. The expansion of the Network, as out lined above, would improve the benefits of membership. The Secretariat will therefore continue to pursue this and will invite a number of potential new members to the Krakow Meeting, emphasising eastern Europe and Baltic connections.

Agenda item 6

Financial Report and 1997/98 Network Budget

- 15 The IMC received the Interim Statement of Accounts for the UK Financial Year March 1996 to April 1997, prepared by Ross McLauchlan of the European Urban Institute. The Accounts show that subscription income was down 100,000 ecu's on the budget of 269,000 ecu's but that this deficit was largely met by reductions in expenditure, leaving a net overall deficit for the financial year of 10,500 ecu's (pending clarification of the final membership

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subscription position for the year). The necessary savings were made across all broad headings. Only Interpretation and Translation costs increased, within the broad heading of Supplies and Services. Financial Management Procedures were attached to the Accounts and these will be considered by the Convenor and a Vice Convenor.

- 16 The Accounts give useful figures for expenditure on overheads such as phones, post, copying, printing, travel etc which will help in the framing of a realistic Budget for 1997/98. The Accounts were noted by the IMC. They will be the subject of an independent audit, as is required by the Constitution, when resources are available for this. The EUI proposed that the option of incorporating Metrex as a Limited Company, under UK law, could be advantageous in limiting the liability of the Network. This will be investigated further and reported to the Krakow IMC Meeting.
- 17 At this point the Convenor, following his remarks at the beginning of the Network Meeting, asked members present, in turn, to indicate the month during the 1997/98 Financial Year when they anticipated that their subscriptions would be lodged. The outcome is shown on the attachment and this will form the basis for the 1997/98 Network Budget and the management of its finances. Those members that did not attend will be asked to similarly clarify their position.
- 18 The IMC also received a presentation by the Secretary General, based on the 1996/97 Accounts and the subscription income indicated by members, which described the basic Budgetary Options for 1997/98 (see also attachments). It was agreed that the 1997/98 Budget should be framed on a Cash Flow basis, having regard to these assumptions, and that this should be approved by the Convenor and a Vice Convenor on behalf of the Network.

Agenda item 7

Any other business

- 19 The Convenor referred, with regret, to the travel disruption which had prevented his attendance at the Nice Meeting. In these difficult circumstances the Secretary General, with the support of M Roger du Halde, Vice Convenor, had taken the Chair. After discussion by the members of the IMC it was agreed that on any future such occasion when the Convenor was unable to take the Chair, Vice Convenor Robert McGerty should act in his stead.
- 20 The IMC noted that the Secretary General is required by the Constitution to present proposals for the nomination and election of the Convenor, Vice Convenors and the Managing Committee, to the Krakow Meeting. These will be circulated well in advance for members full consideration.

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Date of future Meetings

- 21 The Krakow Meeting will take place on Thursday 25 and Friday 26 September 1997, to be followed by a Study Visit to Krakow City Centre on Saturday 27 September. Presidente Jose-Ignacio Senao Gomez of the Diputacion Provincial de Zaragoza kindly offered to host the Autumn 1998 Meeting of the Network and this was accepted with gratitude by the Convenor and the members.
- 22 The Convenor closed the Meeting with warmest thanks to Presidente Daniel dos Reis Branco, of the Junta Metropolitana de Lisboa, and long standing Metrex colleague Vice President Jose Luis Periera, for the exceptional kindness and hospitality offered to members. The Belem Cultural Centre provided a splendid venue for the Meeting and was thoroughly enjoyed by all those attending.
- 23 Finally, the Convenor gave special thanks to Joao Almeida and to Maria Ermolinda Morgado for the consideration, efficiency and imagination with which the whole event was organised, and to the Interpretariat (including colleagues from Portugal) for their excellent services. The IMC Meeting closed at 5-45 pm.

Study visit

- 24 On the following Saturday morning the Network enjoyed an informative visit to the site of the World EXPO 98. This will be held from May until October 1998 on a reclaimed and restored waterfront industrial area extending to over 600 hectares, of which the EXPO site occupies over 200 hectares. It is currently the biggest development site in Europe and will add a range of major long term facilities to the Lisbon Metropolitan Region economy, including a new multi modal Transport Interchange, an Oceanarium, a covered multi purpose event Venue, an Exhibition Centre, and a Museum. The EXPO organisation has learned from previous EXPO sites and has paid particular attention to the after use of the area. The organisation will remain in being until 2005, for this purpose (see attached descriptive plan).
- 25 The EXPO site visit was followed by a boat trip on the Tagus Estuary to see the extensive Lisbon waterfront. Members dispersed, after lunch, at 3.00pm.

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(Items 2 and 5 to follow)

- 1 List of 18 potential Workshop contributors to the Nice Conference (and prospective new Network members).
- 2 Outline ECOS- OUVERTURE Submission (for all members interest).
- 3 Members stated intentions with regard to subscription payment in 1997/98.
- 4 Financial assumptions and options for the 1997/98 Network Budget.
- 5 EXPO 98 Descriptive Plan.

Roger Read
Secretary General

Glasgow
Tuesday 22 April 1997.

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List of potential Workshop contributors to the Nice Conference

(and prospective new Network members)

- Liege/Aachen Belgium/Germany
- Nantes/St Nazaire France
- Berlin Germany
- Bremen
- Hanover
- Venice Italy
- Naples
- Amsterdam Netherlands
- Porto Portugal
- Bilboa Spain
- Barcelona
- Malmo/Copenhagen Sweden/Denmark
- Birmingham UK
- Cardiff
- Basel/Mulhouse Switzerland/France
- Vilnius Lithuania
- Gdansk Poland
- Bucharest Romania
- St Petersburg Russia
- Kiev Ukraine

Total 20, having regard to the existing Network membership, the cross border interests of the ESDP and the possible longer term development of the EU.

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Members intentions with regard to subscription payment in 1997/98

(Note that the financial year is April to March)

		1996/97	1997/98
Glasgow		Core funding of 41,000 ecu's a year to April 99	
1	Lisbon	Paid October 96	May 97
2	Rotterdam	Paid October 96	May 97
3	Stockholm	Paid October 96	To be confirmed
4	Zaragoza	Paid November 96	May 97
5	Athens (Oof A)	Paid December 96	June 97
6	Athens	Expected June 97	March 98
7	Helsinki	Paid December 96	September 97
8	Uusimaa	Paid December 96	September 97
9	Riga	Paid February 97	To be confirmed
10	Turin	Paid April 97	September 97
11	Genoa	Paid April 97	To be confirmed
12	Sevilla	Expected April 97	To be confirmed
13	Alpes-Maritimes	Expected June 97	To be confirmed
14	Emilia-Romagna	Expected July 97	To be confirmed
15	Krakov		June 97
16	Lombardia		December 97
17	Thessaloniki	Not known	To be confirmed
18	Vienna		Under consideration
19	Brussels		Under consideration
20	Nord-Pas de Calais/Lille		Under consideration
21	Budapest		Under consideration
22	Malaga	Not known	Not known
23	Munich	Non paying	

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INCOME ASSUMPTIONS

ALTERNATIVE 1

14 subscribing members+2 supplementaries+core funding from Glasgow

Core funding (Secretary General and European Urban Institute support services) and expenses	47000 ecu's
14 members @ 7000 ecu's plus 2 @ 2000 ecu's	102000 ecu's
Total income	149000 ecu's

ALTERNATIVE 2

17 subscribing members+2 supplementaries+core funding from Glasgow

Total income	170000 ecu's
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Note. In addition Glasgow City Council has agreed to continue to provide office accomodation for Metrex to the value of 14000 ecu's a year.

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EXPENDITURE ASSUMPTIONS FOR OVERHEADS AND MEETING COSTS.

	ALTERNATIVE 1 (ecu's)	ALTERNATIVE 2 (ecu's)
Overheads.	12600	20700
Desk top publishing.	0	2700
Copying and printing.	3300	3300
Postage.	2000	2000
Phone/fax.	3000	3000
Stationary.	700	700
Equipment.	700	700
Publications and references.	700	700
Audit and legal.	1400	1400
Sundries.	800	800
Travel and accommodation.	0	2700
Training.	0	2700
Insurances.	0	0
Meeting costs (2)	26400	29100
Equipment hire.	2800	2800
Travel, accommodation and subsistence. (Secretariat, EUI and Interpretariat)	15400	15400
Translation of Agenda papers, Minutes and Papers.	8200	10900
Total Overheads and Meeting cost deductions	39000	49800

(Subject also to any liabilities carried forward from the financial year 1996/97. These currently stand at 10500 ecu's)

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EXPENDITURE ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE USE OF STAFF RESOURCES

OPTION 1 (Income 149000 less 39000 deductions)

Resources available for EUI/Secretariat/Interpretariat services

	Days	Ecu's
EUI (Glasgow/EUI core funding contract to 1999)	72	41000
Chief Executive	10	
Financial Manager	22	
Expert consultant (Secretary General)	40	
Secretariat	141	58500
Secretary General	43	
Management and Communications (assumes GDA 40 days co funding in addition)	43	
Project support	25	
Administrative support	10	
Interpretariat	64	10500
4 languages/2 meetings/liaison		
Total	277	110000

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OPTION 2 (170000 less 49800 deductions)

Time available for EUI/Secretariat/Interpretariat services

	Days	Ecu's
EUI (Glasgow/EUI core funding contract to 1999)	72	41000
Chief executive	10	
Financial Manager	22	
Expert consultant (Secretary General)	40	
Secretariat	166	
Secretary General	43	
Management and Communications (assumes GDA 40 days co funding in addition)	43	
Project support	40	
Graphic design/DTP	20	
Administrative support	20	
Interpretariat	79	13000
4 languages/2 meetings/liaison		
Total	317	120200

(Subject also to any liabilities carried forward from the financial year 1996/97. These currently stand at 10500 ecu's)