

**Abridged minutes of the meeting of the Barvalipe Academy of the
European Roma Institute for Arts and Culture (ERAC)**

February 5th 2019 at 15:00
Belgrade, Serbia

Present:

Gwendolyn Albert, Jarmila Balazova, Maria Bogdan, Ismael Cortes, Mihaela Dragan, Emil Grbic, Delia Grigore, Jaba Habrovцова, Herbert Heuss, Gilda Horvath, Veljko Kajtazi, Suzana Krcmar, Delaine Le Bas, Emilia Rigova, Romani Rose, Iulius Rostas

Online: Ethel Brooks

Absentees: Tony Gatlif, Mihaela Zatreanu

ERAC staff: Timea Junghaus, Anna Mirga-Kruszelnicka, Almir Huseini

Minutes: Almir Huseini

Abridged minutes

At the request and with the consent of all participants in meeting of the Academy, Ms. Timea Junghaus, ERAC executive director took over the provisional chairing of the meeting of the Academy.

Ms. Junghaus opened the session of the Academy at 15:00, welcomed those present, noted that the meeting was convened in accordance with the status of the Association and was quorate and explained the purpose of the meeting.

Mr. Almir Huseini was appointed as the minute-keeper.

Ms. Junghaus announced the agenda which was disclosed in the invitation:

1. Election of the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Academy
2. Election of the Board Members of the Association
3. Rules of Procedures
4. ERAC Strategy-building workshop
5. Miscellaneous

Those present at the Academy meeting approved the agenda.

1. Election of the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Academy

Following the discussion on the voting procedure and the nominees, the Barvalipe Academy voted.

In accordance to the procedure accepted, Ms. Bogdan is elected as the Chair and Mr. Cortes is elected as Deputy Chair of the Barvalipe Academy.

All persons accepted the election results.

It was agreed that Ms. Junghaus will continue to host the following sessions, facilitating the voting and the ERIAC strategy workshop.

2. Election of the Board Members of the Association

Ms. Junghaus informed those present that in accordance with § 5 (3) of the statutes of the Association, the Academy appoints two members of the Board of the Association. She noted that a total of 24 votes are to be cast by those present or represented for the election of the two members of the Board of the Association, and subsequently opened the election of the two members of the Board.

List of candidates for the Board:

- Ms. Gilda Horvath
- Ms. Ethel Brooks
- Mr. Iulius Rostas

Each of the three candidates made a short statement. Academy members were allowed to ask additional questions. Only when all questions were answered by the candidates, the members voted.

Following the voting, the two new members of the Board of the Association are:

- (a) Ms. Gilda Horvath
- (b) Mr. Iulius Rostas

All persons accepted the election results.

3. Rules of Procedures

The Academy members were presented with the Rules of Procedure and internal regulations deriving from the ERIAC Statutes. This included: dynamic of decision-making; responsibilities of Barvalipe Academy members; rules related to expenses and reimbursements. It was indicated that the more specific Rules of Procedures shall be prepared and approved during the next meeting of the Barvalipe Academy. It was explicitly noted that a procedure related to voting shall be developed.

4. ERIAC Strategy-building workshop

The Academy members were informed about the importance of their input into the process of building the ERIAC strategy. A special workshop was prepared by the ERIAC management to facilitate the process of discussion and channel the strategic input of the Academy members.

Initially, the Academy members were presented with the work of ERIAC since 2017 – showing the ERIAC activities across Europe, the process of building the ERIAC membership, the finances and initial plans for 2019. The members were encouraged to ask questions to better understand the current situation of ERIAC and provide strategic inspiration and guidance.

Subsequently, the Academy members were divided into 4 groups, depending on the thematic section affiliation of their choice.


The 4 groups were requested to provide a SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats), from the standpoint of their thematic section. The input was given through the discussions among the members.

Finally, the members were requested to come up with specific ideas, dreams and priority areas for the ERIAC future.

5. Miscellaneous

No further requests to speak were made, no motions were tabled.

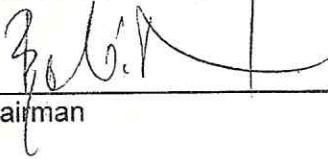
The Chairman thanked all present members for their attendance of the first meeting of the Academy and closed the meeting at 19:30.



Minutekeeper

I hereby confirm the correctness of the above minutes of the meeting of the Academy of the Association on February 5th, 2019.

Belgrad, 5. February 2019



Chairman

In compliance with ERIAC Statutes and the Rules of Procedure, these abridged minutes on the result of the Barvalipe Academy meeting shall be published on the web portal of the association.