ECNAIS CONFERENCE Mallorca, Spain

Hotel Riu Palace Bonanza Playa

Thursday 10 April till Saturday 12 April 2014

The meaning of Lifelong Learning for Civil Society and its impact on Independent Schools

"The 2014 European elections will provide the right moment to think about the future of learning in Europe".

This is the opening statement of the manifesto 'Building together the future of learning' of the European Civil Society Platform on Lifelong Learning (EUCIS-LLL).

The acknowledgement of the role played by European organizations in education and training by implementing an open, transparent and regular dialogue with representative associations and civil society is one of the priorities mentioned in this manifesto.

By choosing Lifelong Learning as key element in the theme of her 26th annual conference ECNAIS wants to express her willingness to participate actively in the ongoing dialogue about the future of learning in Europe.

How can we find the right balance between the modern demands to education from the more and more international orientated labour market and the growing importance of civic and social participation with respect for the parent's rights to raise their children in correspondence with their personal convictions and pedagogical values?

As representatives of a vital part of Europe's civil society ECNAIS wants to clarify the contribution of independent schools to the diversity in each national education system.

Sharing knowledge and experience from the everyday school life and as well from the policy level can lead to a better understanding of how to connect the ideals of Lifelong Learning with the pedagogical values and culture of independent schools.

Thursday 10 April 2014

08.00- 08.30	ECNAIS registration in the lobby of the hotel					
08.30 - 09.00	Bus transport to the Bellver Castle					
09.30-10.00	Opening of the conference Bernat J. Alemany Ramis, President of Escola Catòlica de les Illes Balears					
	Simon Steen, chairman of ECNAIS					
	Mr Isern, Mayor of the city of Palma de Mallorca					
	Mr Bauzá, President of Balearic Islands Government					
10.00 - 10.30	Round tour Bellver Castle					
10.30 - 11.00	Bus transport to the hotel					
11.30 – 14.00	Continuation of the Conference Simon Steen, chairman of ECNAIS					
	Antonio Bruyèl , Director of the private University College of Tourism in Palma about Cultural historical background Balearic Islands					
	Etelberto Costa , Vice-president of the European Civil Society Platform on Lifelong Learning (EUCIS-LLL) dialogue with the audience included					
14.00 – 16.00	Lunch					
16.00 – 18.00	Ms Piret Tänav , Boardmember Estonian History Teacher Association and EUROCLIO ambassador dialogue with the audience included					
	Ronald de Bruin , Greenleaf Center for Servant-Leadership Europe dialogue with the audience included					
18.00 – 18.30	Coffee break					
18.30 – 19.30	Preparation of the school visits (short overview Education system included)					
20.30	Cocktail with representatives from schools					
21.00	Dinner at the hotel					

Friday 11 April 2014

09.00 - 12.00	School visits
12.30	Return to the hotel
12.30 – 14.00	Morten Løkkegaard , MEP, Vice Chair of Culture and Education Committee of the European Parliament dialogue with the audience included
14.00 – 16.00	Lunch
16.00 – 18.00	Lifelong Learning Experiences of ECNAIS members Zsofia Bak, Hungary Sofia Reis, Portugal Roman Nebozhuk, Oksana Balakshyna, Ukraine Jale Onur, Turkey
18.00	Closure of the Conference
21.00	Official Conference dinner at Restaurant Son Termens (www.sontermens.com)

Saturday 12 April 2014

09.00 - 12.00	Formal Annual	l General Meeti	ing/ Manas	gement Committe	ee Meeting
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(open for members only) The agenda follows separately

End of meeting

Optional (by local transport. Costs not included in the conference fee) 11. 00 – 12.30 Visit to the Patios (for participants who don't attend the AGM)

12.30 Visit to the Cathedral (for all open)