



INVITATION EFFORTS 2018 Annual General Meeting

October 2018

Dear Members, candidate members and other interested parties,

With pleasure, I hereby give notice of first Annual General Meeting of EFFORTS to be held at Forte Marghera in Venice on Thursday November 8th from 8:30 am to 11:30 am.

This invitation is addressed, not only to members of EFFORTS, but also to those who have indicated to be interested in a membership of EFFORTS. We hope to meet you all at our conference in Venice and we certainly hope to welcome you as a new member of our EFFORTS network.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

Access and voting mandates

The annual meeting is public, but only EFFORTS members may join the debates and Full members have the right to vote. I remind Associate members of the Association that they have the right to participate at Annual Meetings but not to vote.

Proxy voting

Proxy voting may be important because the General Meeting is only valid if over half the Full Members are present or represented (see statutes).

I would be very grateful, if all full members, who are unable to be present at this meeting, would sign and return the attached proxy form in PDF to the Nominating Committee as soon as possible: info@efforts-europe.eu (one proxy form per member). Proxies should be registered with the Nominating Committee at least 7 days in advance of the General Meeting (1st November 2018) .

Each member present can accept a maximum of two proxy votes. The number of proxies to be accepted by members of the Board is not limited.



Voting procedures (*statutes and internal rules*)

- All decisions are taken by a simple majority of votes present and represented, unless this is decided otherwise by the Statutes.
- If there is a tie, the Chairman or the Board Member, who replaces him fulfilling this function, has a casting vote.

I sincerely hope to welcome you in Venice at our EFFORTS conference and Annual General meeting and look forward to exchanging ideas and making plans for the future of our military heritage.

Yours faithfully,

Huib van Olden
Secretary of EFFORTS

Please refer to our website on details for the Annual Meeting events.



Agenda EFFORTS 2018 Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday November 8th 8:30 am to 11:30 am

Place: Forte Marghera Venice.

Chair: Mr. F. Petter (President)

1. Welcome F. PETTER (president EFFORTS)
2. Welcome by F. PALUMBO, DG Tourism, Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage
3. Announcements
 - Membership development
 - Voting rights present (full members and proxies).
Membership dues must be received on the EFFORT bank account before November 1st 2018!
 - Other announcements
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Brief report 2018
 - Short summary of EFFORTS activities in 2018.
See enclosure no. 5.
 - Chairmen/women of the internal committees will report orally on their activities in 2018:
 - Operations (Frank Petter)
 - Governance and Nominations (Huib van Olden)
 - Finance (Andrea Bonifacio)
 - Science (Tuija Lind)
 - Communications (Huib van Olden)
 - European Fortress Day (Andrea Thijsen, Juke van Niekerk)
 - Development and International Relations (Peter Ros, Andrea Thijssen, Tuija Lind, Karen Gysen and Alessio Bonifacio)
6. Financial report 2018
Financial report by the treasurer. See enclosure no.6
 - Discharge of the treasurer for 2018
7. Statutes For your information
The Statutes have already been signed and legally registered. (see Efforts website)
The board will prepare a proposal for AGM 2019. Members are kindly requested to submit amendments or additions in the coming year.
8. Internal Rules to be adopted without debate.
The board proposes to officially approve the Internal Rules. See enclosure 8.
9. Nomination of Board members
Presentation and election of members. See enclosure no. 9
10. Nomination of Auditors
A small committee of auditors (two or three members) will be asked to check the financial accounting and management of 2019 by the treasurer.



Members are invited to stand as auditor candidate.

11. Working plan 2019
Planned activities for 2019. See enclosure no. 11
12. Budget 2019
Approval Budget 2019 see enclosure no. 12
13. Membership Strategy
How to attract new members to strengthen the position of EFFORTS.
Presentation by Mr. P. Ros
14. Any other business
15. Next AGM meeting
Presentation of the hosting organisation for the annual meeting and conference 2019

Enclosures to the agenda can be found at the Efforts website:

<http://www.efforts-europe.eu/annual-congress/>

proxy form

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