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# Schedule & Annotated Agenda

# Schedule

10:30 - 12:00 Session 1

**BREAK** 

14:00 - 15:00 Session 2

15:00 - 15:30 Break

15:30 - 16:30 Session 3



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# **Annotated Agenda**

# 1. Roll Call

 $(Doc_1)$ 

The Moderator will perform the roll call establishing the presence of Governing Board members and voting quorum. (Doc\_)

# 2. Agenda

(Doc\_2a) Annotated Agenda

#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to take note of the agenda.

# 3. Minutes previous meeting (GB November 2019)

 $(Doc_3)$ 

The minutes of the previous Governing Board Meeting have been distributed to the members 21 January 2020. No requests for changes or amendments have been received.

# Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to approve the minutes of the November 2019 GB meeting in Brussels.

# 4. Minutes 2019 written General Assembly (W-GA)

 $(Doc_4)$ 

As no Member of the General Assembly has raised any objections to the minutes within two (2) months after their distribution, the Governing Board shall take the decision to add the minutes to the official CEC register of minutes.

#### Action:

The Governing Board is requested to add the minutes of the Written General Assembly to the official register of minutes.

# 5. President's Report

 $(Doc_5)$ 

The President of CEC, Rev Christian Krieger, will present his report to the Governing Board. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the report.



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#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to receive the President's Report.

# 6. Report from the General Secretary

(Doc\_6)

The General Secretary of CEC, Dr Jørgen Skov Sørensen, reports on CEC activities to the Governing Board. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the report.

Due to the unusual framework and resulting time limitations of the current Governing Board meeting there will be no oral reporting on the programmatic activities by the executive secretaries.

The Governing Board members are invited to familiarise themselves with the individual reports submitted. The executive secretaries will be present at the meeting. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the reports.

#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to receive the General Secretary's Report.

# 7. Budget and Accounts

(Doc\_7, 7a & 7b)

The Treasurer, Rev Jelle Brouwer, will present his report on CEC Audited Accounts 2019, Budget 2020 and 2021.

The three documents are submitted with recommendations to The Governing Board by the CEC Budget Committee. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the report.

#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to approve the Budget 2020 and 2021 and to submit the Audited Accounts to the Written General Assembly's approval

# 8. Written General Assembly 2020

 $(Doc_8a - 8b)$ 

It is the duty of the Governing Board to adopt the agenda of the written General



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Assembly and approve a timeline for it.

#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to adopt the agenda of the written GA 2020 and approve a timeline for it.

# 9. CCME Activities Report

# (Doc )

CCME General Secretary, Dr Torsten Moritz, will report on the current work of the organisation. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the report.

#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to receive the report

# 10. First presentation of Public Issues

The following Public Issue(s) has/have been submitted to the Governing Board:

- a. Covid-19 and consequences for churches in Europe
- b. The issue of ongoing migration to Cyprus and Greece
- c. Religious freedom in times of a Pandemic. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the proposed Public Issue(s).

# Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to agree which Public Issue(s) are to be transferred to item 15.

# 11. Towards 2023 General Assembly of CEC

 $(Doc_11a - 11b)$ 

CEC has received an informal invitation to hold the 2023 General Assembly in Estonia. A formal invitation will be submitted to the Governing Board as soon as it is received at the Secretariat (expected Tuesday, 2 June).

A draft timeline is submitted to the approval of the Governing Board.

#### Action:

- a. The Governing Board is kindly requested to agree on the location and dates of the 2023 General Assembly of CEC
- b. The Governing Board is kindly requested to approve the timeline



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#### 12. Personnel Committee

OKR Frank Kopania, Chair of the Personnel Committee will present his report. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the report.

#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to receive the report.

# **13. Cooperation with Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland (closed session)** (Doc 13a)

The Governing Board decided at its meeting November 2019 to enter into cooperation with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland (ELCF) on the project "Strengthening the voice of Churches in Brussels". ELCF Senior EU Policy Advisor Lena Kumlin has since January 1, 2020, been seconded to CEC on a 25% basis.

However, the global COVID-19 pandemic has significantly affected the implementation of the project. Since mid-March, the Senior EU Policy Advisor has not been able to travel to Brussels but has been working from home. The thorough project evaluation, initially intended to take place in May 2020, is consequently not deemed relevant.

Based on good results within the limited framework given, however, the parties propose to the Governing Board that the joint cooperation continues until 31 December 2020, in order to be able to fulfil the CEC-relates tasks mentioned in the original agreement. A thorough evaluation of the full project period will take place in November 2020.

#### Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to extend the current agreement (with amendments) Doc\_13a to 31 December 2020.

# 14. Nominations Committee

 $(Doc_14a - 14b)$ 

His Eminence, Metropolitan Cleopas, Chair of the Nominations Committee, will present his report. The Governing Board is invited to raise questions to and/or comment on the report.



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# Action:

- a. The Governing Board is kindly requested to appoint Bishop Hovakim Manukyan to the Budget Committee
- b. The Governing Board is kindly requested to appoint Sofie Larsen Kure to the Thematic Group on Economic and Ecological Justice and Sustainable Future

# 15. Approval of Public Issues

# Action:

The Governing Board is kindly requested to approve the Public Issues for publication.