

Executive Meeting Notes of the IAI's CC 26th May 2012

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Agenda:

1. Updated information on participation at Rio, logistical solutions and production of documents.
2. Updated information on preparation for the Naples USF
3. Report and proposals from the Internal Committee on Partnership and Administration
4. Proposed implementation of self-sustainability
5. Decisions on membership requests
6. Other

1. Rio +20, People's Summit

Cesare Ottolini related about various matters:

- The register of IAI's members at the official Summit was made through ANPED (NGO)
- They had difficulties with the logistics of the event, however, one by one they managed to solve them with help from CONAM.
- There are various requests for support from the Antennas to increase participation in the event. However, they also commented on the difficulties with budgeting for all the requests, so it is important that the regional LA gets together to analyse the situation and make decisions. It is proposed that said meeting should take place on Monday 28th of May via Skype
To carry out said analysis it will be requested that the Antennas detail the proposals, their responsibilities and if they have some financial support.
- In relation to the activities planned for the Summit, the work done so far is listed:
 - o Two self-management workshops have been registered: one in relation to the zero evictions campaign and another on the theme of the popular fund for land and housing.
 - o A joint workshop with the other networks: for this space we should propose a speaker. Proposals will be made from the dynamic of the work primarily considering the themes of evictions, land grabbing, mega projects and mega events that were addressed by the social movements from 92 until the present. Secondly, the word will be given to leaders of cases of resistance and proposals from Brasil, Latin America (2), Africa (2) and Asia. The IAI should define one speaker for the LA. Finally, discussion with the participation of networks will be opened, towards the end of making strategic proposals etc.
 - o The participation in the specific event of the official Rio 20+ Summit doesn't require accreditation.
 - o Tasks to complete are:
 - a.)Cristina Almazán and Paul Maquet those responsible for the self-management workshops should define their own methodologies.
 - b.) define speaker in the joint Workshop. It is suggested that they outline this in the regional meeting on the 28th of May.
 - c.) make the IAI agenda for the Peoples Summit: Mariella will draft said agenda with the information provided by Bartiria.

2. Urban Social Forum, Naples

We are hearing that the preparations are coming along in Naples where various organisations will launch a joint call. At this collective the Movement for Water as Common will join that is an organisation with an important presence in the area and is a political contact for IAI.

IAI counts on the support from a friend (intern from ENTPE) that has joined with Naples looking after aspects of communication and information and facilitating relations with involved organisations.

They are working on preparing various logistical options: a hotel confiscated, a space close to FUM, including the possibility of camping.

In relation to the contents of the USF, it will be difficult to incorporate the key themes of IAI because there still hasn't been an official call. Said themes are: Popular Fund for land and housing, cooperatives, debt swap, housing indebtedness, against the criminalisation of those who fight for the homeless.

IAI should discuss how to involve the Antennas in the process towards the USF perhaps through workshops. For example, with partners from Africa, between other points, for these it is suggested that we should incorporate the USF theme in the IAI meeting at Rio.

3. Report and Proposals of the Internal Committee on Partnership and Administration

With respect to the executive meeting notes of the Internal Committee on Partnership and Administration of the IAI, their decisions are:

- A crisis is foreseen (of cash flow as well as income) for the month of June 2012 and the need to seek alternatives is confirmed. A recommendation is made to the CC to consider the budget difficulties and step up efforts to seek partnerships at global and local levels as well as contributions from members.
- The relevance of Rio is confirmed as an important stage as well for the partnership with Basque Government and FPH.
- It is recommended that the Latin America Regional Committee, in view of Rio, define the essential participants to carry out the planned activities, among which is the Regional Committee Meeting.
- It is recommended that the document prepared by Almazán is circulated to all members of the IAI for debate, integration, approval and implementation.
- A recommendation is made to the CC regarding the opportunity of sending out a call for solidarity among member organisations, to enable the presence of IAI in Naples.
- The balance sheet, 2011 report and 2012 budget that were presented are endorsed and will be submitted for the approval of the CC in Naples.

4. Proposed Self-sustainability Implementations

It was mentioned that the South Antenna made efforts so that leaders could make it to Rio as a sustainability engagement with IAI. It has been suggested and accepted that we should make a call to all the Antennas to develop diverse activities to seek funds to participate at the USF. The sustainability proposal from the IAI will be circulated to enrich the debate on the Antennas.

5. Decisions on the requests for membership

Regarding the various membership applications, it was agreed on accepting:

- Community Organisation Construir para la Libertad de Argentina as a member
- Organización Social Salvador de Uruguay as a member
- Gülsuyu-Gülensu Yaşam ve Dayanışma Merkezi Derneği -GÜLDAM from Turkey as a member
- Amandla Centre of Zimbabwe as a member, subject to Mike's opinion.

Two organisations that Mike will issue a reference for remain pending.

7. Other

a.) Use of Doodle was mentioned regarding using this tool to set meeting dates

b.) Publications

A logo has been designed for the Colección Multimedia Hacia la Via Urbana which is available on the IAI website with a title page design for the first IAI publication: "Memoria de Habitantes", Memories of Inhabitants (text and DVD)