

EQUINET EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING II

Friday 25 April 2014

Brussels, Belgium

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Attendance:

Board Members: Evelyn Collins (Chair), Anna Błaszczak, Michiel Bonte, István Haller, Sandra Ribeiro, Mari-Liis Sepper, Tena Šimonović-Einwalter, Therese Spiteri, Néphéli Yatropoulos

Equinet Secretariat: Anne Gaspard (executive director), Tamás Kádár (senior policy officer), Yannick Godin (administration & finance officer), Cosmin Popa (communications officer), Ilaria Volpe (policy officer - gender equality), Jessica Machacova (trainee – assistant)

Apologies: Niall Crowley, Board Advisor

AGENDA

BOARD MEETING – 25 April 2014 (09.00-16.00)

	INFORMATION	DISCUSSION	DECISION
1. Opening of the Equinet Board Meeting			
2. Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Remarks (on issues not on the agenda) 	•		
3. Follow-up last Equinet Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft Minutes of Board Meeting 28 January 2014 (Annex 3.1) 			•
4. Common Cause and Equality - project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Introduction of and board discussion on Common Cause and Equality project (Annex 4.1) 		•	
5. Process towards Equinet Strategic Plan 2015-2018 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update and progress in planning process (Annex 5.1) & final timetable governance steps (adoption Work Plan & Strategic Plan) ○ Follow-up Equinet Board Strategic Day 1 April (Annex 5.2) ○ <i>Proposed Board discussion on the strategic question revealed in the Facilitator's report</i> 	• •	•	•
6. Strategic issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Future funding (2015-2020 EC programme) and membership perspectives ○ Equinet Membership Application – <i>Council on the Prevention and Elimination of Discrimination and Ensuring Equality</i>, Republic of Moldova (Annex 6.1) ○ EU equality legislation and EC Directives review processes (Annex 6.2) 		• •	• •

<p>7. Equinet Work Programme 2014 <i>Priority issues</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Equinet LGBTI Training (Sweden) (Annex 7.1) ○ Equinet MEP Toolkit (Annex 7.2) ○ Directory of National Equality Bodies (Annex 7.3) ○ Equinet paper Europe 2020 (Annex 7.4) <p><i>Other work programme planning issues (Annex 7.5)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Equinet Working Groups 2014 activities – planning ○ Equinet Ad-hoc Initiative Violence against Women ○ Supporting Good Practice on equality bodies making recommendations to policy-makers ○ Equinet Gender Training on Harassment (Annex 7.6) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ● ● 	
<p>8. Relevant EU and European stakeholders initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Follow up joint meeting & cooperation NEBs-NHRIs-Ombudsmen (Annex 8.1) ○ ECRI Meeting with equality bodies, 22-23 May 2014 (Annex 8.2) ○ Planning ERIO Meeting with National Equality Bodies, Oct 2014 ○ Possible EC / Italian Presidency equality event, Nov 2014 ○ Equinet participation in meetings and events 2014 (Annex 8.3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ● ● ● 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 	
<p>9. Finances and Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Equinet Accounts 2013 (Annex 9.1) - Final EC Grant reporting ○ Equinet Action Grant 2014 (Annex 9.2) ○ Equinet Financial Management Report 2014 (Annex 9.3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ● 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 	
<p>10. Any Other Business (AOB / miscellaneous)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 		
<p>11. Next meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update Equinet Calendar 2014 meetings and events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 17-18 June: LGBTI Training (Stockholm) - 19 June: Board Meeting (Stockholm) - 22 September: Board Meeting (Warsaw) - 23-24 September: Training Sexual Harassment - 16-17 October (tbc): Training on positive Action (Belgrade) - 2 December (tbc): Equinet AGM (Brussels) / Strategic Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 		

Annexes to this agenda:

- **Annex 3.1** *Draft Minutes Equinet Board Meeting 28 January 2014*
- **Annex 4.1** *Equinet Common Cause and Equality project – draft report*
- **Annex 5.1** *Planning process/note for Equinet Strategic Plan 2015-2018*
- **Annex 5.2** *Draft report facilitator Board Strategic Day 1 April 2014*
- **Annex 6.1** *Equinet Membership Application – Council on the Prevention and Elimination of Discrimination and Ensuring Equality, Republic of Moldova*
- **Annex 6.2** *EC survey questionnaire – Gender Goods & Services Directive*
- **Annex 7.1** *Draft programme LGBTI Training (Sweden)*
- **Annex 7.2** *Draft concept proposal – MEP toolkit*
- **Annex 7.3** *Draft concept proposal – Directory of National Equality Bodies*
- **Annex 7.4** *Selected approach for preparation of Equinet Paper Europe 2020*
- **Annex 7.5** *Note – Other Work Plan 2014 planning issues*
- **Annex 7.6** *Draft outline concept – Equinet gender training on Harassment*
- **Annex 8.1** *Equinet follow up joint meeting & cooperation NEBs-NHRIs-Ombudsmen*
- **Annex 8.2** *Draft Programme ECRI Seminar with NEBs, Strasbourg 22-23 May 2014*
- **Annex 8.3** *Overview of Equinet participation in meetings and events 2014*
- **Annex 9.1** *Management financial report – Equinet Accounts 2013*
- **Annex 9.2** *Internal note EC Action Grant 2014 – funding and reporting procedures*
- **Annex 9.3** *Equinet financial management report 2014 (available at the board meeting)*