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Annual Report for 2015

- **Board Members and Next Election**

The present board was elected by the Council in Barcelona, January 31st 2014. Board members: Serap Kurbanoglu (Chair), Raphaëlle Bats (Secretary), Alen Doracic, Andreu Sulé Duesa, Michal Lorenz, Klaas Jan Mollema, Sebastian Mundt. In January 2017 (during Council Meeting) an election will take place. Due to Alen Drocic's resignation and replacement is necessary. Since this is the second term for Serap Kurbanoglu (Chair), Raphaëlle Bats (Secretary), and Andreu Sulé Duesa, they cannot be re-elected next year. There will be a need to elect three new members and select the Chair and Secretary among the new Board members next year (at 2017 meeting).

- **Strategic & Action Plan**

In 2014 EUCLID Board have prepared a strategic and action plan to execute for 2014-2016. A draft Strategic Plan was prepared. Board has continued working in 2015 in line with these plans.

- **Meetings**

Three face to face and three virtual Board Meeting were organized in 2015 (one meeting organized on 13th of January 2016) to discuss about executing the action plan. During Bobcatss 2015 Conference on 27th and 28th of January Board meetings were held. All members were present. On 13th of April 2015 and 13th of January 2016 meetings Serap Kurbanoglu and Klaas Jan Mollema could not attend. On 5th of October meetings whole Board was represented. Virtual meetings were held on Adobe Connect provided by University of Boros.

- **Website and Facebook Account**

EUCLID's Website is maintained by Hacettepe University. Domain name and Internet hosting subscriptions were renewed. A Facebook account is opened.

- **Membership Issues**

EUCLID continues with its new fee structure which requires a flat rate of 100 Euro from all members regardless the membership category.

An attempt is made to prepare a list of European LIS Schools/Departments. Most of these schools send individual invitations to become a member or renew their membership. However due to legal status of EUCLID (it is not a rgistered association, a legal entity) it was not possible to continue collecting membership fees and recurring new members in 2015.

- **Legal Status**

Board members started an investigation on how to register EUCLID as an international association to provide the legal base. Investigations poined out the Netherlands as a country due to less bureacracy however a decision is needed between two status: association or foundation. Board will continue working on it and will try to reach a conclusion and take action.



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- **Planning to Organize a Conference**

Organizing an International Conference on LIS Education in 2016 to commemorate 25 year of EUCLID has been decided in 2014. It was decided to organize this conference jointly with Bobcatsss in 2017 in Tampere, Finland. It will be an extended version of EUCLID session with a more focus on general developments in LIS education and reserach. Colleagues from all around Europe will be invited to contribute with country reports. Logistics are going to be discussed with Tampere University representatives.

- **Facilitating and Publishing Research on LIS Education**

If there is enough interest and participants agree to provide full-text papers, they will be published in the EUCLID website. If it becomes like a comprehensive updated report about the current situation in Europe other publication possibility will be discussed.

- **Publishing Newsletters**

EUCLID publishes a newsletter twice in a year. In each issue two LIS schools are introduced. It continued in 2015.

- **Reports and Minutes**

Council Meeting and Board Meeting minutes along with annual reports are/will be published on the website.

- **Internalionalization Award**

Internalization Award was re-announced in 2015. There was only one application by ENSSIB. After the evaluation of their application it was decided to give this award to ENSSIB.

- **Cooperation**

EUCLID supported III International Seminar on LIS Education and Research (LIS-ER) organized by University of Barcelona in 4-5 June 2015, Barcelona, Spain. EUCLID represented by the Chair (Serap Kurbanoglu) at a Round Table: Discussion on LIS Education in Europe.

- **BOBCATSSS Conference**

EUCLID continues to support BOBCATSSS Conferences. In 2017 it will be organized by Tampere University in Tampere, Finland. However there is a need to find two volunteers for the following year (2018).

- **BOBCAT of the 2015**

Paul Sturges was nominated to and awarded BOBCAT of the year 2015.

- **Financial Situation**

2782 EUR is transferred from previous year. In 2015 no membership fee was collected (due to legal status problem). 33 EUR is spent for expenses (26 for hosting service for the website, 7 is for the domain name subscription). In EUCLID's account there is 2749 EUR.