

Proposal for the General Assembly of the Central European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives to be held on 25 May 2022

Agenda 3: Office-holder matters

Honourable Assembly,

3.1 Election of new president and vice president (proposal of Gyula Ocskay, Secretary General)

Since its establishment in 2009, CESCI has had a total of four president: Attila Makai, dr. György Kocziszky, dr. József Benedek and since 2012 dr. Tamás Tóth. During Tamás Tóth's 10 year presidentship, CESCI has become an internationally renowned and professionally recognised organisation. Mr. President has been active and immensely conscientious in his work all along while demonstrating exemplary flexibility, both professionally and organisationally. Mr. President's mandate would expire on 31 May 2024, but he recently indicated that he would not be able to fulfil the position of president of the association in the future due to his increased responsibilities, therefore he will resign at the General Assembly on 25 May. At the same time he indicated that dr. Zsuzsanna Fejes, vice president of CESCI since 2018 (whose mandate would also expire on 31 May 2024), substituted for him in fulfilling the duties of president a number of times during last year, and she also has a comprehensive knowledge of the day-to-day operation tasks of the association, therefore he nominates her to replace him as president. Upon question, dr. Zsuzsanna Fejes respectfully accepted the nomination for the office of president. Accordingly, dr. Tamás Tóth would take over dr. Zsuzsanna Fejes' mandate as vice president in the future.

3.2 Enlargement of the Board

The association's international embeddedness, relations and networks have grown considerably in recent years. In October 2021 our association signed a strategic co-operation agreement with AEBR and MOT in Strasbourg, which was a great honour for us because this placed us among the most important professional organisations in the European Union, but at the same time it is also a major responsibility because our association represents the eastern part of the continent in this co-operation. As CESCI already refers to the Central European dimension in its name, we would like to strengthen our Central European presence in the coming years and we would also like to indicate this

with the composition of the Board. As part of the enlargement of the Board we would like to nominate two individuals who are considered to be outstanding authorities in the region. Thus, we expect the association's reputation to also grow.

Dana-Bianca Mitrică has a PhD in Earth Science, and since November 2001 she has been the Head of Human Geography and Regional Development Department at the Romanian Academy in Bucharest. She has published over 130 publications, mainly in the fields of Geography of Human Settlements, Geography of Population, and Economic Geography, and she played a key professional role in the elaboration of several development documents for Romania as a whole or for a region of said country. Research on border regions, including the issue of cross-border governance, play an important role in her work. She is a member of the Košice Platform established in 2019 with the participation of CESCI and CESCI Carpathia and also with the participation of experts of the Eastern Partnership. She speaks Romanian, English and French.

Hynek Böhm, has a PhD. in political geography, and he is a true cross-border citizen of the European Union, currently he is associate professor at the University of Opole in Poland and he is also assistant professor at the Technical University of Liberec in Czechia. As an associate of the Institut EuroSchola he played an active role in the shaping of the co-operation between the local governments and the population of the Czech and the Polish Silesia, as well as in the establishment of the trinational Tria EGTC. He also represented the region in Brussels. He is a well-known expert on cross-border co-operation in the EU professional community and in this capacity he has been a regular speaker at CESCI events and also a professional partner for CESCI projects. He speaks Czech, Polish, English, French, German, Russian, and Dutch.

Both candidate respectfully accepted the nomination for the position of full member of the Board, and both of them submitted their CVs and their declarations of entry (as a member of the association and as a member of the Board) to the organisation.

Current members may also nominate candidates to the positions of president, vice president, and full member of the Board. The nominations may be sent in writing to the organisation of CESCI by the date of the General Assembly, but it is also possible to make a statement at the General Assembly.

The election of new office holders will take place at the General Assembly (by open voting).

In case there are no proposals for new nominees until the election, we will not hold an election to select nominees, but rather we will directly propose the election of the people indicated above. In case of new nominees a separate proposal for decision will be formulated about the pool of nominees at the General Assembly.

3.3 Amendment to (the annex of) the Statutes

The amendment to the Statutes of the association is of a formal nature as the Statutes' annex containing the office-holders changes due to the election in point 2.2. The proposal for a decision was worded accordingly.

Dr. Tamás Tóth
President
(signed by own hand)

General Assembly Resolution no./2022 (V. 25.)

The General Assembly of Central European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives elects as chair for three years

Deadline: immediately

Responsible: President

General Assembly Resolution no./2022 (V. 25.)

The General Assembly of Central European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives elects as vice-president for three years

Deadline: immediately

Responsible: President

General Assembly Resolution no./2022 (V. 25.)

The General Assembly of Central European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives elects as full member of the Board for three years

Deadline: immediately

Responsible: President

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The General Assembly of Central European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives approves the amendment to the annex of the Statutes - listing the office holders of the association - as well as the new, uniform text of the Statutes.

Deadline: immediately

Responsible: President