

Meeting of the 24th CERIC-ERIC General Assembly

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS

Time Thursday 27th June 2024, h. 13:00 - 17:00 CET and
Friday 28th June 2024, h. 9:00 - 12:00 CET
Place SOLARIS National Synchrotron Radiation Centre, ul. Czerwone Maki 98, 30-392 Kraków
(Poland) - the meeting was held in the presence and by videoconference

1. Welcome by the Chair and adoption of the draft agenda

Resolution GA2024.1-1:

The General Assembly adopts the agenda of the meeting.

2. Record of resolutions taken by written procedure

Record of written consultation executive from 15th February 2024**Resolution GA2024.1-2:**

The minutes of the previous General Assembly meeting held in presence in Zagreb and by video-conference on 29 and 30 November 2023 are approved.

Record of written consultation executive from 21st March 2024**Resolution GA2024.1-3:**

The General Assembly approves the amendments to the text of article 2 of the CERIC-ERIC Statutes shown in bold in the document "STATUTES OF CERIC-ERIC (Consolidated Version 09_05_2023 - Modifications 29_02_2024)".

Record of written consultation executive from 9th May 2024**Resolution GA2024.1-4:**

The General Assembly approves the composition of the search Committee and the text of the call for the Executive Director.

3.1 Update of Internal Regulations and Framework Agreements

Resolution GA2024.1-5:

The General Assembly approves the updates of the following CERIC-ERIC Internal Regulation:

- no. 14 – *Procurement*, as per enclosed Annex 5g;
- no. 15 - *Administrative and Accounting Rules*, as per enclosed Annex 5h.

The General Assembly decides to postpone the approval of the updates of the following CERIC-ERIC Internal Regulations, which will be decided by written procedure:

- no. 2 - *Partner and associated facilities; hosting and representing entities*, as per enclosed Annex 5a;
- no. 3 - *Accession of New Members and Agreements with Observers*, as per enclosed Annex 5b;
- no. 4 - *The General Assembly Rules of Procedure*, as per enclosed Annex 5c;
- no. 6 - *Board of Directors*, as per enclosed Annex 5d;
- no. 7 - *CERIC-ERIC International Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (ISTAC) - Terms of*

Reference and Internal Regulation, as per enclosed Annex 5e;
 - no. 9 - *The Independent Audit Expert Committee (IAEC, Article 16)*, and the *Independent Auditors (IA, Article 17)*, as per enclosed Annex 5f;
 - no. 16 - *Risks and Liabilities*, as per enclosed Annex 5i.

4.3 Approval of CERIC-ERIC annual report and accounting for 2023

Resolution GA2024.1-6:

The General Assembly, having heard the presentation of the annual accounts and the positive independent Auditor's report, approves the 2023 annual Report as per Annex 6.

5 Evaluation of the performance of the Executive Director for the period Nov 2022-Nov 2023

Resolution GA2024.1-7:

According to the resolutions of this General Assembly GA2015.3-2, as amended according to resolution GA2019.1-11, and GA2021.1-5, assessing the positive achievement of the results in the period from November 2022 to November 2023, the General Assembly awards to the Executive Director the yearly bonus equal to € 12.000,00 (Euro twelve-thousand/00) net after tax and legal withdrawals.

Resolution GA2024.1-8:

Taken into account the inflation rate of 15,5% in the period January 2022 – December 2023 and the salary increase already considered in the approved 2024 budget equal to 4,72%, the General Assembly approves the salary increase of all the CERIC-ERIC employees, including the salary and bonus of the Executive Director, equal to 10,78% applied from 01.01.2024. The General Assembly will consider future salary increases upon presentation by CERIC-ERIC administration of the inflation rate increase data and its effects on the budget and on the salaries. The Executive Director is mandated to analyse the possibility to apply a salary increase to the personnel hired for the performance of the approved projects and trainees.

6. Report on the ED call (postponed after agenda item no. 8)

8. Report by the Chair of ISTAC

Resolution GA2024.1-9:

The General Assembly, having heard the evaluation by the ISTAC of the proposals by the Board of Directors for the allocation of ninety percent of the CERIC membership fees and the developing strategy with five years outlook, approves the proposals of the Italian, Polish and Hungarian Partner Facilities on the use of the related funds.

8.2 Appointment of a new ISTAC Member

Resolution GA2024.1-10:

The General Assembly appoints dr. Carmela Freda as new member of the ISTAC for a three-year mandate.

6. Report on the ED call postponed after 8

Resolution GA2024.1-11:

The General Assembly acknowledges the *Report on the ED call* as per Annex 11, approves the relative final ranking list and gives to the Chair the mandate to negotiate and define with Dr. Andrew Harrison, or, if he

will be not available, with Dr. Salvatore La Rosa, the contractual and boundary conditions for taking up the position of CERIC-ERIC Executive Director based on the provisions of the Statutes and of the Internal Regulations. The remuneration of the future Executive Director shall be aligned to the remuneration of the present Executive Director. The Chair shall report to the General Assembly the outcome of the negotiation.

9. Independent Auditors appointment

Resolution GA2024.1-12:

Taking into account art. 17 of CERIC-ERIC Statutes, the Internal Regulation no. 9 and the ongoing discussion of its update, the General Assembly appoints dr. Di Donato Antonio, Dr. Pinto Alessandro and Dr. Karolina Neuvirtova as members of the Independent Auditors board for the scopes of article 17 of the CERIC-ERIC Statutes. The term of office of the Independent Auditors shall be limited to one year and expires with the approval of the yearly financial statement referring to 2024. The auditors will be compensated with a gross compensation of 25.000 euro/year and the costs for these audits shall be borne by the CERIC-ERIC central budget. The General Assembly appoints Dr. Alessandro Pinto as the Chair of the board, which shall have the task of ensuring continuity and timely reporting to the General Assembly and the Executive Director and will have his compensation increased by 50% of the level defined as Independent Auditor remuneration.

10. Renewal of the Chair and vice-Chair of the GA: setting-up the search Committee

Resolution GA2024.1-13:

According to its Rules of Procedure, the General Assembly sets up a search committee, composed by the delegates Tamas Belgya, Magda Pektorova, Marek Stankiewicz, which shall stimulate and collect applications for the role of Chair of the General Assembly within the Delegates and report on the received applications to allow his/her election and start of the term at the next meeting in November 2024.

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Prof. Carlo Rizzuto
Chair of the General Assembly

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Ileana Gimmillaro
Secretary of the General Assembly