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## Feed-back from the EGEA Secretariat to the EGEA Board Budget 2014 Proposal

Dear Board Members,

As discussed and agreed during your last Extraordinary Board meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, we hereby give you our feed-back on the budget proposal for 2014:

**1) After analysis of the figures sent to us by Leon, we understood that your proposal is as follows:**

160 days p.a. for Eleonore	54.000 Euro (net)	(= 67% of a full-time job per months)
30 days p.a. for Sylvia	16.000 Euro (net)	(= 2,5 days per months)
15 days p.a. for Mona	2.500 Euro (net)	

From our experience with EGEA in the past and the estimation of the workload in 2014, and as already indicated during the Board meeting, we feel that the allocated hours for manpower for the Secretariat is far from being sufficient to decently accompany and support the EGEA activities and the EGEA working groups.

**2) Our proposal is twofold:**

**2.1. Coverage of a minimum set of activities with a reduced number of working hours**

120 days p.a. for Eleonore	41.000 Euro (net)	(= 50% part time)
30 days p.a. for Sylvia	16.000 Euro (net)	(= 2,5 days per months)
15 days p.a. for Mona	2.500 Euro (net)	

With the indicated hours, we could cover (please see 'EGEA Activity Outlook for 2014'):

- 1. Statutory activities: all Board meetings and General Assemblies
- 2. General Management
- 3. Finances
- 4. Communication
- 6.1. Monitoring of EU Affairs
- 6.2. Full PTI Lobbying (still ongoing in 2014)
- 6.3. Co-Management for EGEA of CITA ECSS Project (this involves currently a very substantial part of Eleonore's workload, which according to our assessment will not substantially decrease in 2014)
- 7.1 WG1: vehicle lifting equipment
- 7.2.5. WG2: PTI – impact for WG2

This Scenario would exclude the expected substantial work for WG2, WG6, WG9 and WG10.

## 2.2. Collections of funds to allow the Secretariat to decently and efficiently accompany EGEA and its working groups

The Secretariat is convinced that it is necessary to have the sufficient resources to be able to accompany, support and guide the EGEA Working Groups in a sound manner. It is not enough to allocate a reduced number of hours (see point 1) to the Secretariat, which would allow us to perhaps attend the working groups, but then not do a decent follow-up of their activities.

We expect a substantial workload for

WG2:

- Commission's Euro 5 study with field tests, input from EGEA and coordination of Members required.
- Vehicle Station Gateway: Work with US on a counter-proposal envisaged.

WG6:

- Second round of suspension testing to find a common EU-wide solution: To make it happen: Coordination of tools by the Secretariat is needed (like in the past) + liaising with the European Commission once suspensions testing are finalised for next steps and implementation

WG9:

- Work together with WG9 and the lawyers on the creation of the EGEA label, trademark registration and liability insurance issues etc.
- Administration and information on the EGEA label + dissemination activities amongst EU

WG 10:

- Liaising with UNISYS and the Commission on the shape of the Electronic Vehicle Information Platform
- Creation of a standard for vehicle test equipment network

To be able to do this work, the Secretariat needs the initially targeted working hours for manpower:

216 days p.a. for Eleonore	73.800 (net) (= 90% of a full-time job per months)
60 days p.a. for Sylvia	30.000 Euro (net) (= 5 days per months)
15 days p.a. for Mona	2.500 Euro (net)

The Board already indicated that WG6 (suspension testing), WG9 and WG10 would be turned into projects. I indicated during the Board meeting that WG2 would also need to be covered by respective working hours.

We suggest informing the members, the working group chairmen and the working group members about the Board's proposal to turn the working groups into projects for which WG2, WG6, WG9 and WG10 would need to collect funding. Without this funding, the secretariat cannot accompany these Working Groups.

## 2.3. Additional feedback on draft budget proposal for 2014

- **AFCAR Membership Fees:** we deplore the fact that the contribution to the membership for AFCAR has been completely deleted. AFCAR partially covered some of the expenditures for

WG2 (e.g Euro 5 and Telematics) which were covered by the AFCAR contribution of EGEA. These costs would need to be invoiced to EGEA/WG2 separately in the future.

- **CEN Membership Fees (new CEN policy):** the Board suggested to delete completely the membership fee to CEN. However in order to be able to participate to various CEN technical committees and working groups of strong interest for EGEA WGs and EGEA Members, the official membership fee to CEN has to be paid as a condition for participation.

Yours sincerely,



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