

**Reports of Supporting Committees**

**EURACT Council meeting  
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## REPORT OF MEMBER SERVICES COMMITTEE

As this time there was no separate session of the committee, the decision to present proposals to the council members during the common session was made.

The business plan concerning the activities of Member Services Committee was already made in 1995, and Justin made a proposal that further activities would be developed based on the document mentioned.

Recommendations presented in Business plan and could be considered as relevant until this time :

Recommendation A (1) (high priority): *Service group ...will assist in identifying and providing resources for workshops (for teachers).*

Recommendation A (2) (high priority): *Sponsored/reserved places on existing (national courses).*

As now 2 main courses are going on teaching-Bled and Riom courses, it would be useful to be able to provide some support for EURACT members who are willing to participate in these courses. This would be especially relevant for foreign members wishing to join the course.

Another issue would be providing support for the course organisers. If the course cannot be held due to not sufficient finances (as it was in Hungary), EURACT could contribute by providing some limited amount of finances.

In promoting the research activities for research performed in GP teaching, the possibility to provide the support for presenting the research findings in international conferences could be discussed. Clear procedure for applying for travel grants should be made.

Recommendation B (3) : *Exchanges between members encouraged at all levels.*

Still the decision concerning the ways to stimulate exchanges was not made. Mainly exchange programs are developing among the teaching institutions (as for example between Croatia and Turkey) without support of our organisation. The actions to stimulate exchanges are to be considered in future.

As concerning the possibilities for individual exchanges proposal to establish special section on EURACT WebPages was made.

Following actions were decided to discuss on an Executive Board meeting:

- Support for individual EURACT members for participation in international courses;
- Support for organisers of the teacher's courses;
- Support for research activities;
- Individual travel grants for presenting research in international conferences;

After decision on EB, further actions to be taken.

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