

International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners Executive Committee

Meeting / Conference Call of April 2, 2014

Minutes

US – Hugh Stevenson, Katherine Race Brin
NZ – John Edwards, Blair Stewart
MU - Drudeisha Madhub
PL - Wojciech Wiewiorowski, Anna Zawila-Niedzwiecka
NL - Jacob Kohnstamm, Laetitia Kröner

1. Agenda & Minutes

Adopted.

2. Open Session - update from host

MU refers to the new program circulated in advance of the meeting. Many of the invited speakers are indicating need for reimbursement. [REDACTED]

MU fears registration fees may not be enough to cover all expenses of the Conference. MU furthermore informs that Facebook would be prepared to host a dinner. MU confirms that the [REDACTED] from Intel may be used to cover the expenses of the speakers of the Closed Session.

PL says not to worry, at at this time last year no sponsor had confirmed for the Warsaw Conference. PL informs about differentiation in reimbursement during Warsaw conference: speakers of the Closed Session were reimbursed completely (and were used for the Open Session as well), some of the speakers of the Open Session were reimbursed either for the registration fees, for the hotel or for travel costs. PL warns that Facebook dinner is a Facebook event and should not be seen as a sponsored dinner for the Conference.

NL fears that due to the costs only speakers from the business sector will be able to confirm attendance. For costs and time reasons, NL suggests to significantly decrease the amount of panels and speakers. NL furthermore suggests to change the name “chair” of a session and replace it by “key panelist”, in order to specify the specific role of that speaker in each panel.

FTC informs about the intended attendance of both FTC Chairwoman Ramirez and Commissioner Brill to the Conference and suggests to reflect this in the programme by adding another keynote panel.

MU agreed to regroup the panels into 8 instead of 16 session panels and for each session panel to have maximum 3 speakers, one key panelist and two other panelists. MU also agreed to add one keynote plenary session panel in which Mrs Ramirez could speak.

MU will circulate a revised programme (highlighting those speakers that need reimbursement) to all Executive Committee members before Easter.

3. Closed Session 2014

NL suggests to invite the following 4 speakers for the Closed Session: [REDACTED]

The Executive Committee agrees to invite the 4 speakers as suggested by NL. If one of those would not be able, [REDACTED]

The idea would be to –as was done last year- report the findings of the Closed Session to the Open Session by means of a “Mauritius Declaration” of the host (MU) and Chair of the Executive committee (NL) jointly. The Declaration is to be presented at the opening of the Open Session (Wednesday morning).

PL suggests to circulate relevant papers on Internet of Things to all participants in order to be able to well prepare for the Conference. There will in any case be papers forthcoming from WP29, FTC and the Berlin Working Group.

The Executive Committee agrees such materials should be available to all participants through the closed part of the Conference website one month before the Conference.

4. Accreditation

FTC (Guilherme Roschke) will remain the main contact point for applications for accreditation. This is also indicated on the Conference website. Once applications are received these will be divided between the members of the Executive Committee for review.

PL informs about several new DPAs emerging that will most likely submit applications. It is not yet certain whether the two pending applications (Russia and Korea) intend to re-apply.

5. Strategic Working Group

NZ informs about the state of play of the Strategic Working Group. A note was sent round in February and the Working Group has been split into two subgroups. This is a two year project. There will be more to report at the Mauritius Conference.

6. Representation of the International Conference

The Chair informs about a change in the representation of the conference to ISO. After the ISO meeting in Hong Kong, Matthieu Grall of the CNIL will replace Steven Johnston from Canada as liaison with ISO.

8. Next meeting / conference call

The Chair suggests to have a next conference call in the beginning of June.

9. Any other business

Website:

If possible the website should provide for a restricted area for members only. PL stressed that if this were to be very cumbersome, a restricted area was not absolutely necessary,

materials could also be shared with members through email prior to the Conference. NL was requested to send MU a short text introducing the Closed Session topic.

Next conference:

NL informs about its willingness to host the 2015 Conference in Amsterdam.

To Do list

- MU will revise the Open Session agenda and circulate it to all members before Easter. The agenda will consist of two keynote plenary sessions and 8 panelsessions with a maximum of three speakers each. (MU)
- the Chair will send out invitations to the 4 agreed speakers. (NL)
- the Chair will search for relevant material on IoT to be distributed to all members in order to prepare for the conference. (NL)
- The Chair will organise the next call in the beginning of June. (NL)