

To: Executive Committee
From: Rory Field and Henk Marquart Scholtz
Re: Financing GPEN activities

According to the minutes of the GPEN Development Board inaugural meeting in Bahrain on 19-20 January 2010, item 8F and the matching work plan item 3, a bid would be submitted to the IAP Executive Committee for discussion and commitment to finance GPEN in 2010 and beyond.

Financial situation:

Until today GPEN activities were financed partly by a grant from CISCO in November 2008 of USD 10.000 (used for the GPEN website and GPEN training) and by the generous support of Ali Al Buainain, Attorney General of Bahrain, in hosting the Board's inaugural meeting in January 2010.

At this moment there is no specific allocation in the budget 2010 nor any available funds at hand for GPEN.

During the Board meeting its member Han Moraal informed the Board that the Dutch Board of Procurators General would financially support GPEN with 10,000 EUR for 2010 with option to renew in 2011.

Financial requirements:

The two major financial needs are for:

- maintaining and updating the GPEN website
- supporting travel and accommodation expenses of Board members to attend the GPEN Development Board spring meeting

The Board agreed that the €10.000 from The Netherlands would be used for the GPEN website, and in particular for payment of a technical employee for uploading and updating of the website.

As there is a commitment for 2010 and an option for another €10.000 for 2011, no other commitment is needed for the work on the website.

For the purpose of supporting Board members to attend the annual spring meeting an allocation should be incorporated in the IAP budget 2011. (The Development Board will not hold any funds; all funds for GPEN will be held and administered by the IAP.). There will be no financing of the Board meeting coinciding with the IAP Annual Conference (on the registration day), as Board members generally will attend the Conference.

The number of Board members will be no less than 8 and no more than 12. If a jurisdiction or institution can fund the attendance of their representative, they should do so.

It is likely that 6-8 Board members will need financial support for their attendance of the spring meeting. Assuming that a local host of the spring meeting will offer a meeting

venue, one or more dinners and free or discounted accommodation, the main need is financing flight tickets (economy class).

An allocation in the IAP budget 2011 of **€12.000** maximum seems appropriate.

It is recommended that the IAP Executive Committee will commit the IAP to this allocation for 2011.

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