

## **RV/Progress Report of the IAEVG activities 29 October 2016**

Presented at the annual meeting of the Nordic Association of Educational and Vocational Guidance (NFSY/NAVEG)

### 1. New Board of Directors 2015-19

Executive Board: President Susanne Bultheel (France), Vice-Presidents Gideon Arulmani (India) Nancy Arthur (Canada) Raimo Vuorinen (Finland), General Secretary Laurent Matte (Canada) and Treasurer Beatriz Malik (Spain)

Board: Jane Goodman (USA), Mary McMahan (Australia), Gert Van Brussel (NL), Peter Weber (Germany), Gabriela Cabrera López (Mexico), Tibor Bors Borbély-Pecz (Hungary) and Bill Borgen (Canada)

Board meetings in 2016:

- 114<sup>th</sup> EC Skype Meeting have taken place on 4 February, 2016, UTC 16:00 – 18:00
- 88<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the IAEVG Board of Directors Friday, February 26, 2016, 13:00 to 14:30, UTC
- 115<sup>th</sup> EC Skype Meeting have taken place on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016, UTC 12:00-13:43.
- 116<sup>th</sup> EC Skype Meeting have taken place on September 8<sup>th</sup> 2016, UTC 17:00-18:30.
- 89<sup>th</sup> Board Skype Meeting have been organized for October 21<sup>st</sup> 2016, UTC 13:00-14:30.

2. The IAEVG General assembly will take place in Madrid Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017, at 17:00 followed by the International Members' Forum.

3. IAEVG Communiqué on Educational and Career Guidance for Displaced Migrants, launched at the 2015 annual conference in Tsukuba 18-21 September 2015 has been translated to the four official languages and uploaded on the IAEVG website with the following invitations to different stakeholders:

- IAEVG, as the largest worldwide guidance association, appeals to providers, practitioners, academics and policy makers, to increase their efforts to actively engage in bringing attention to the needs of displaced migrants and to advocate for services to support their educational and vocational integration in countries of settlement.
- IAEVG members have an important role to play in leading and promoting research and practice to support the positive integration of displaced migrants, and to influence policy-makers and employers to assist them in this endeavour.
- Policies and practices need to be timely, meaningful, and multifaceted to ensure that displaced migrants are offered meaningful services to support their positive integration and future engagement with education and employment.

A number of countries have endorsed the Communiqué in their national meetings e.g. USA, Germany, Hungary, Finland, the Netherlands, Canada, France in addition to the international organisations such as Unesco and the ELGPN.

4. The IAEVG website (<http://iaevg.net>) was revised and launched in February 2016. The website acts as a repository of the key documents and includes more interactive elements than the previous one. At the moment the website is under revision, especially on the section which is restricted to the members. The secretary general manages the content development of the website and the use of social media in Twitter and Facebook in co-operation with Peter Weber. The IAEVG is opening a LinkedIn group by the end of 2016.

5. Renewal of the IAEVG Code of Ethics. The renewal committee is chaired by Nancy Arthur and the draft revised version will be discussed in an open session with the members during the

2016 annual conference in Madrid. There are three sub-groups preparing proposals on three themes: social justice, the use of technology and green guidance.

6. 2016 Annual Conference 15-18 November 2016 in Madrid Spain. Theme: Promoting Equity through Guidance and Counselling, Reflection, Action, Impact. The programme has been uploaded on the website. The conference has a special Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/196782834058721/>
7. Liaison with other organisations. This working group is co-ordinated by Raimo Vuorinen. The IAEVG wants to promote more intensive co-operation with national associations and parallel international organisations. This will be connected to a joint symposium with key international organisations in connection with the annual conference in Madrid on Tuesday 15th November. By the end of September 2016, 22 national and international organisations expressed their interest in contributing to the discussions with the following goals:
  1. To exchange information about our respective organisations and their current and future activities
  2. To examine ways in which we can support each other for the advancement of career development policies, systems, practices, and research
  3. To examine ways in which we can act as a critical mass to support the advancement of career development in our countries and regions, and also in an international regional perspective.

The way the day will play out is that there will be two morning and one afternoon session focused on the following topics:

- Career services for migrants and refugees
- Interventions in times of economic hardships
- Career development and public policy

Each session will start with a brief catalyst presentation which will then be followed by targeted discussions in groups, with a table chair and a recorder. The fourth session will be allocated to suggestions for further collaborative efforts in 2019 suggested by the NCD. The summary of the discussions and the proposal for further co-operation will be published as a communique on the IAEVG website after the symposium.

8. The EVGP was developed by the IAEVG in collaboration with the National Board of Certified Counsellors (USA) (NBCC). It is indexed to the International Competencies for Educational and Vocational Guidance Practitioners which were developed and validated in an international study and through a consultative process with about 700 practitioners working in a variety of different jobs, in 41 countries. The International Competencies were adopted by the General Assembly in September, 2003.

The Executive Board, with the lead of Gideon Arulmani is examining the current use of the credentials and reflecting whether there is a need to update the credentials and the accreditation procedure. The IAEVG secretariat will act manage temporarily the administrative task in the credentialing process.
9. The IAEVG 2017 Conference will be held November in Mexico and the dates will be announced in the Madrid General Assembly.
10. The IAEVG 2018 will be hosted by The Swedish Association of Guidance Counsellors in cooperation with the Education Administration, Career Guidance Centre in the city of Gothenburg, 2-4 October 2018 in the city of Gothenburg.
11. China and Ivory Coast has expressed their interest in hosting a conference in 2019. The Board is waiting concrete proposals from the representatives of these candidates.