

18th Conference and 17th General Assembly of COPEAM

AUDIOVISUAL ARCHIVES WORKING GROUP

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RESOLUTION SCHEME

Due to the absence of Ms. Maurice, President of the Group, the meeting was opened by Mr. Gallet, President of Ina and COPEAM, and right after by Ms. Parri, Coordinator of COPEAM General Secretariat. The works were therefore chaired by Mr. Sanson and Ms. Hélias Sarré, respectively Deputy Head of Project and Documentary Manager at Ina.

The participants approached the first item of the Agenda, focusing on the proposal of a complementary development for Med-Mem website, with a view to generating an activity of archives' commercial sales through the website and to re-launching one of the projects of COPEAM Action Plan, devoted to the setting up of a "Mediterranean area" tariff grid. In this regard, Ina representatives announced that this issue will be deepened on the occasion of the next coordination meeting of the project, scheduled in September – October in Italy.

Moreover, the participants jointly analyzed the Med-Mem Charter - Memorandum for the preservation of the audiovisual heritage in the Mediterranean region – regarding the sharing of a set of principles in favour of the preservation of the audiovisual memory in the Mediterranean. This Charter was extended in order to allow its opening for signature to the audiovisual archives holders of all the Mediterranean countries. Educational and cultural operators will also be invited to sign such Charter.

An official feedback from each partner and associate is expected during the next weeks in order to finalize the text of this Charter and obtain its signature before the next coordination meeting.

In the framework of the enlargement of the project to new contributors (TV or radio) and in agreement with all the members of the project, Ina will shortly finalize some bilateral agreements with future contributors, according to the participation conditions pointed out during the meeting.

Finally, a new project related to the audiovisual heritage of the countries of the Balkans region was presented by Ina SUP. This project will be soon submitted by Ina and COPEAM to the European Union in the framework of a call for proposals, replying to the recent solicitations from the Serbian and Albanian Ministries of Culture.

The second part of the meeting gave the opportunity to assess the whole activities of Med-Mem project, at the end of the second year; the meeting, enriched by demonstrations and documents screening, enabled to present the new communication tools. A special session, chaired by Mr. Sépot, in charge of IT developments for the project, allowed to train on the new functionalities of Med-Mem database.

The archives group and the training session gathered a big number of participants whose efforts we greatly appreciate.

The meeting was concluded by special thanks to CyBC and its Director General, Mr. Themistocleous, for hosting and organizing this 18th Conference and 17th General Assembly of COPEAM and for his commitment to take part in Med-Mem project.