EXC-002 Linking Servas with other likeminded organizations OUTREACH

Subject Working Group: Technology - Future

Title of motion (3-5 words): Linking Servas with other likeminded organizations

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Brief summary of the motion:

Servas International should increase its efforts to cooperate with like-minded organizations that share complementary missions.

Background information and reasons for proposing the motion.

Through increased cooperation with like-minded organizations SI can expand its availability to specific competences, for example in arranging short and longer peace education, theme trips.

Likely benefits for Servas International and national groups if the motion is passed.

By establishing close relations with organizations that have competence in areas that SI doesn't have inside the organisation, SI will become - and also be perceived as - a more competent organization than today. This will make SI more attractive for young people. It will also make SI better known as peace and hospitality organization in the organizations that SI reaches out to. This will increase the number of potential new members.

Resource implications if the motion is passed in terms of time, human resources and specialist expertise.

A "SI Outreach group" of 3-4 Servas members, and preferable at least one who is part of SI Exco, regional coordinators and/or someone who is co-opted to SI Exco, around the world, need to have 3-4 meetings for 40 minutes to create a list of possible like-minded organizations.

The group of organizations should be shortlisted and prioritized. The "SI Outreach group" should systematically contact the organizations to find out if there's a mutual interest for cooperation.

What are the budget implications, if any, of the motion for Servas International in the short and longer term?

Amount: 5 000 CHF for the period 2016-2018

In case that there is a potential organization whose link with Servas will be clearly a benefit for us and in case no one of the organization can travel to meet Exco face to face at one of their meetings, there may be a budget allocation for one member to travel, meet them <u>and</u> <u>participate on the activities of our interest to evaluate them</u> before approval and make it

official and open to any member of Servas.

What are the budget implications, if any, of the motion for national groups, in the short and longer term?

None.

Identify who should be responsible for the actions arising from the motion in terms of planning, development and management, for example which officer within SI Exco or SI Committee.

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Would there be any implications for the Servas International statutes if the motion is passed?

Possibly, but not necessarily.

Suggested change of SI Statutes 2012 in BLOCK LETTERS below.

I Definition

Servas International is an international, non-profit, non-governmental federation of national Servas groups, encompassing an international network of hosts and travellers. The purpose of the network is to help build world peace, goodwill and understanding by providing opportunities for personal contacts among people of different cultures, backgrounds and nationalities.

Outreach activities consisting of cooperation and partnership with like-minded organisations that share complementary missions is- ARE an important method WAY for Servas International and the Servas global networks to STRENGTHEN ITS AIMS WITH THE COMMUNITY achieve the organisations goal.

What is the likely impact if the motion is not passed?

In a world of increased communications and sharing of ideas and competences civil society SI run the risk of being perceived as an isolated organization that doesn't share and reach out to others in order to be generous with SI's own assets and get access to others expertize.