ITA-001 MOTION FOR SI GA 2015

Subject Working Group: Travel and hosts/ Regional Development

Title of motion

List of countries offering hospitality, and youth requesting, Syle

National secretary and national member group proposing motion

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Summary of the motion

The national groups that are available to organise one or more Syle projects must communicate this fact before December 20th and June 20th of each year. The national groups of young members who are interested in participating in the Syle program must communicate this fact and the countries where the young people would like to go. This communication must be made to the International Youth Group which then prepares, within 20 days after the deadline, a list of countries that are available to organise one or more projects and a list countries requested by the young people . These lists must be immediately presented to the Executive Committees of the various countries so that the young people interested in the Syle projects can know which countries are available and the various countries can know if they are requested. The lists must also appear on the Servas International website and may be published on the websites of the various countries.

Background information and reasons for proposing the motion.

In the past, some Syle projects that Servas Italy was prepared to organise did not come to fruition, because no young people requested to participate after Servas Italy had communicated its readiness to the International Youth Group. It is likely that the young people who might have been interested did not know that Italy was available to host. It is also likely that some young people would have liked to participate in Syle projects in Italy, but Italian Servas didn't know it. In addition, the Italian Executive Committee needed to know which countries were available to host; the Committee requested this information from the International Youth Group, but did not receive the necessary information.

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

Young people will be able to see which countries are offering to host a Syle participant. Countries who offer to host will be more likely to receive Syle participants.

Countries who know that young people are interested in those countries are more motivated to organize Syle projects.

Servas National Groups will be able to promote Syle more effectively within their countries.

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

Very little work for the Executive Committees and the International Youth Group.

What are the budget implications, if any, of the motion for Servas International and for national

groups in the short and longer term?

None

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.

The International Youth Group would be responsible.

We propose a trial period of one year in order to fulfil the motion.

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

No

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

There would be no improvement in the organisation of the Syle project.