



EUROPARC Federation
Report to Council
21st October 2012

Title:

Dutch/Flemish section

Summary :

Proposal for a new EUROPARC section

Recommendations :

- ❖ Authorization of new EUROPARC section

Request for formation of new Dutch/Flemish EUROPARC section.

The office of the Directorate received a formal request from member representatives from Dutch and Flemish members to form a new section. Their letters are contained in annex 1 and 2.

Statutes and Regulations

The EUROPARC statutes and Regulation in the creation of sections state

Art. 8 - EUROPARC Federation Sections

- a) The Council may authorise the establishment of sections of the EUROPARC Federation in countries or groups of countries for which it will determine conditions which conform to the present statutes.
- b) Sections should deliver the aims of the EUROPARC Federation.
- c) Members of Sections must also be members of the EUROPARC Federation.

Regulation regarding the establishment of EUROPARC Sections

for relevant provisions from the statutes

According to § 8 of the EUROPARC Statutes the Council decides on the following conditions for the establishment of EUROPARC Sections:

- 1) To form a section as described in Article 8 of the statutes, a majority of the members from that country/countries must agree to its formation.
- 2) Section must lodge their statutes with the EUROPARC council through its headquarters.
- 3) Council will decide the agreement of the formation of a section upon scrutiny of the statutes and meeting of the terms laid down in the statutes.
- 4) Sections must report to EUROPARC about their activities and fulfilment of EUROPARC Federation aims.
- 5) Sections must use and comply with the condition of the Federations registered logos.

The council can then confer the recognition of section once article or statutes or other means by which the section will govern itself, are lodged with the Directorate and deemed to be compliant with the Federations aims. therefore if the council agrees to its formation, then the section can announce its intention to form, not its actual formation as that will be dependant on the governance questions being answered.

Details on how the section will operate and its primary function and focus are not clear in the paper and the council may suggest a need for further consideration and submission by the parties involved .

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