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from the General Assembly of the
European University Foundation/Campus Europae
following its meeting in Luxembourg
on the 8th October, 2007

The General Assembly has welcomed the invitation of Prime-Minister Jean-Claude Juncker, Prime Minister of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, to each Rector of the EUF/CE network to attend a major Conference to be held in Luxembourg on the 3rd of December 2007. The Prime Ministerial Rector's conference will serve as a platform for the Prime-Minister and the Rectors to exchange views on the latest developments and achievements in the evolution of the European University Foundation/Campus Europae and in the European Higher Education Area. During this conference the signing of the legal charter underpinning the EUF/CE will take place.

The General Assembly thanked the Student Council for its efforts with regards to the upcoming Seminar on "Student mobility in Europe" which is to take place at the European Parliament, in Brussels, on the 8th of November 2007 and which will include the participation of Commissioner Jan Figel. The conference is jointly organized by the EUF/CE and the European People's Party. The focal point of the Seminar will be the mutually beneficial interaction between the implementation of the Lisbon strategy and the Bologna process and the challenges and demands that will arise for universities, policy-makers and the labor market from the viewpoint of the further development of student mobility and the enrichment of the European Higher Education Area.

The General Assembly has appointed a working group to oversee the installation of the CE Degree as soon as possible. The need for further preparatory work is explained by the uneven implementation of the Bologna Process across the participating countries with regard to legislation regulating joint degrees. However, according to the

latest stocktaking findings provided by the Secretary General and the Luxembourg Government, the General Assembly expects the degree to be fully installed in time for the academic year 2008/2009.

The General Assembly of the European University Foundation (EUF/CE) welcomed the University of Joensuu (Finland) and Gazi University (Turkey) as the newest members of the Campus Europae network. With a combined student body of about 78,000 the addition of these two excellent high quality institutions are already actively engaged in the preparatory works within EUF/CE.

The General Assembly of the European University Foundation (EUF/CE) has unanimously voted Prof. Estela Pereira (University of Aveiro, Portugal) as its new President. Prof. Estela Pereira will be joined by Prof. Wojciech Katner (University of Lodz, Poland) who was voted Vice-President. Prof. Estela Pereira succeeds outgoing CE President Prof. Dr. Noel Whelan, whose mandate expires, and who has presided over EUF/CE for the past four and a half years, during which time the EUF/CE attained: remarkable success in consolidating and strengthening its network that has grown to 19 member universities; in launching its first 13 joint study programmes which have been brought to fruition with in excess of 300 CE students; and in preparing and getting agreements from the Luxembourg Government for the introduction of a Campus Europae Degree and for the installation of a legal basis for the European University Foundation. Prof. Dr. Whelan has been appointed both President Emeritus and a member of the Administrative Board of the European University Foundation / Campus Europae.

List of representatives from the universities attending the European University Foundation General Assembly held in Luxembourg on 8th October, 2006:

- University of Alcalá, Spain
Prof. Dr Teresa del Val
- University of Aveiro, Portugal
Prof. Dr António Ferrari
- University of Greifswald, Germany

Prof. Dr Hans-Joachim Hannich

- University of Hamburg, Germany
Prof. Dr Wilfried Hartmann
- University of Joensuu, Finland
Outi Savonlahti
- University Henri Poincaré (Nancy I), France
Prof. Dr Marie-Christine Béné
- Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania
Prof. Dr Vaidotas Viliunas
- University of Latvia, Latvia
Prof. Dr Ivars Lacis
- University of Lodz, Poland
Prof. Dr Wojciech Katner
- Technical University of Lodz, Poland
Prof. Dr Andrzej Napieralski
- University of Novi Sad, Serbia
Prof. Dr Miroslav Plančak
- University of Örebro, Sweden
Prof. Dr Joakim Nergelius
- University of Trento, Italy
Prof. Dr Giovanni Pegoretti
- University of Vienna, Austria
Mr. Gerhard Wagner
- European Humanities University, Vilnius, Lithuania
Prof. Dr Anatoli Mikhailov

Chairperson of the General Assembly was Professor Noel Whelan, President of the European University Foundation/Campus Europae.

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