

TI-DK board meeting April 4th 2019

Kl. 17:30-20:30

Dalgas Have 15, room 2Ø.073

Participating: Natascha Felix Linn, Jesper Olsen, Christian Ougaard, Karinna Bardenfleth, Simon Hastrup, Terkel Riis-Jørgensen, Birgitte Bang Nielsen, Marina Buch Kristensen, Marie-Louise Nesheim, Charlotte Willer

Other: Jasmin Frentzel Sørensen, Emma Siemens Lorenzen, Martin Sibast Laugesen and Nacho Espinosa

Cancellation: Christine Lohmann

Agenda

1. Approval of the agenda

- The agenda is approved

2. Welcome to Nacho

- Nacho Espinosa is the regional coordinator for Western Europe and Canada
- Nacho is here because of the accreditation. He has had meetings with Jesper and Karinna this morning; Jasmin, Emma og Marie-Louise at noon; and volunteer, Kim Jensen, in the afternoon. Tomorrow, he has to meet Adwan from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Nina our contact person from our Equality Partnership with Roskilde Festival.

3. Official establishment of the new board (deputy chairman, treasurer, ethical committee)

- Karinna is reaffirmed as treasurer
- Jesper is reaffirmed as Vice-Chair
- The ethics committee is consisting of Terkel, Christian and Karinna, and should be established at AMM's from next year on
- The ethics committee is for disagreement within the Board and if the Board member is involved in an issue. It is decided that the ethics committee go through the Rules of Procedure.

4. New board

- Birgitte is a member of the board especially interested in the private sector
- Marina is a member of the board especially interested in whistleblower legislation and protection, and in 2021 she has to go on cool-off. In the coming year she wants to be more engaged in the projects regarding the People's Democratic Festival .

- Marie-Louise is a new member of the board and is part of the organization's volunteer group. Her main interest within TI-DK is on public awareness of corruption, particularly on engaging the youth.
- Terkel is a board member especially interested in promoting and supporting the agenda and is engaged with the volunteers and the education material.
- Simon is a new member of the Board and engages in the connection with other corruption fighters and informing about the fight through projects.
- Christian is a board member interested in public sector integrity and integrity within the political decision-making processes, including areas of money laundering.
- Jesper is a board member especially interested in the public sector and good governance and focuses on communication strategies concerning public affairs.
- Karinna is a board member especially focused on accounts, the film projects, volunteer work, the compliance field, and targeting new segments.
- Charlotte is a new substitute especially interested in private sector, compliance work, whistleblower elements, and perhaps funding.
- Natascha is the chair and is interested in the communication group and the upcoming projects.

5. Short evaluation of the annual membership meeting

- It is agreed that the structure of this year's AMM should be used in the future: one-hour ordinary AMM and then an anti-corruption relevant presentation

6. The board since the last time we met

- Natascha participated in a meeting at Danish Standard which is a relaunch of a management standard of the ISO for whistleblower mechanisms.
- Natascha and Christian went to ATEA for a positive dialogue after the ComputerWorld interview. It was an interesting and fruitful meeting.
- Natascha and Jesper had a meeting with HK Private about whistleblower protection and the EU directive. HK Private was interested in how to establish a whistleblower institution.
- Natascha and Jesper had a meeting with the OSCE to find out whether there was a reason to send someone to Denmark in accordance with election observation. Their report should be followed up by TI-DK.
- Jesper participated in TV2 News and a Radio 24/7 interview about private party funding which went well.
- Marina and Jesper participated in a meeting with the ministry of justice about whistleblower legislation.
- Jesper is advising 24/7 on a bribery case.
- Terkel and Natascha should have had a meeting with Alpha Film which was postponed.

- Marie-Louise went to the Youth's Democratic Festival (Ungdommens Folkemøde) kick-of meeting with the secretariat and feel inspired to develop events and workshops for the festival
- Marina has been to the meeting on the Open Government to establish, discuss, and evaluate an action plan based on open data and intergovernmental efficiency.

7. News from the secretariat (Emma and Jasmin)

- The secretariat has spent a lot of time making the new website and accreditation report
- The secretariat has gotten an offer from Cool Gray to make the education material to a physical game, but the offer is too expensive because we at this time don't know about how big the demand for the game is.

8. Economy (Karinna)

- Individual membership payments are being received
- Corporate membership payments will go out next week
- A third of the budget for membership payments are received

9. Communication strategy (Jesper)

- Jesper is planning the campaign for the upcoming election.
- Private funding should be on the agenda - now it is - the goal is now to keep it there
- Jesper is proposing an instagram account for people to send in pictures. The secretariat will make an instagram: TransparencyInternationalDK
- Jesper has made a media plan with hashtags and a pledge
- He proposes an official citizen proposal. Even though it may not get 50,000 signatures, it will be discussed and gain attention and momentum. Christian is reaching out to Egon and his wife, because they have told us that they would like to help. Egon is a member of the volunteer group.
- The citizen proposal should be in line with GRECO's critique.
- Jesper would like if people would want to participate in a "Do you know who paid for your ..." -strategy at e.g. breakfast hand-outs by politicians, etc. Jesper will make a template for board members to participate in the strategy.
- Jesper is working on making contact with organizations to cooperate with on Folkemødet on Bornholm.

10. Strategy: Target 2: Improved protection and guidance to whistleblowers

- The big discussion is what the scope of the implementation is. Is it a horizontal perspective or how many people should be included in this legislation? TI-DK advocates for a holistic perspective.
- It is a balance between not making the legislation too specific for the companies and also make sure that it will be a substantial legislation. Jesper has received an email from the ministry of justice about their procedures.

- The board has to be more solid on this theme so that we can give better advice on whistleblower legislation.
- We could be more specific about our general suggestions on the topic. There is the possibility that more companies could collaborate on the same whistleblower arrangement.
- What is important is what this system supports. E.g. anonymity and availability to follow up on issues. TI-DK does not want to be a part of the technical discussion, but it can be done very easily e.g. Dagrofas solution. The most important part in the implementation is that the employee is involved.
- Transparency International Denmark can accept a lot of different varieties of solutions about implementing whistleblower schemes in the specific companies, but it also depends on the specific culture in the company. It is important that the people who have to use the system trusts the system and feels confident about using the system.
- Whistleblowing and freedom of speech are two different things and should not be mixed up. One thing is speaking your mind, another thing is disclosure of facts.
- Natascha will write down a by-line and send it out for approval.

11. AOB

- NGO ship in New Harbour. TI-DK decides not to participate because of the international focus
- TI-DK's position on revolving doors is postponed for the next BM
- Jesper will participate in a Rotary meeting in Store Heddinge

