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ASSOCIAZIONE DELLE REGIONI EUROPEE DEI PRODOTTI D'ORIGINE Report on the accounts for the year 2021

And provisional budget for 2022

Bordeaux, 31 March 2022

I present to you the report on the 2021 accounts prepared by the independent accountant "Gadras associés" and the provisional budget for 2022. You will find attached the report of the chartered accountant.

Comments on 2021 expenditures

The major expenditures in 2021 were:

- More than €31,000 for interpretation services is organised for online GAs, Executive Board meetings and national meetings with an increase in the number of language combinations used.
- As planned, the integration of Francesca Alampi in the AREPO staff (salaries and social charges: + 30.000 €). Her fixed-term contract ended on 31/12/2021. We, therefore, offered her a permanent contract, which she accepted.
- The recruitment of Matteo Ponza as an intern (975 €/month + teleworking expenses) from June to conduct the studies and prepare for the departure of Giulia Scaglioni on maternity leave from October 2021.
- Consulting expenses for European projects.
 As a reminder, the procurement contract for the assignment was renewed in 2019.

Due to the context of the COVID 19 pandemic, travel expenses will remain reduced to around €12,700 compared to more than €18,000 in a typical year (reference 2019)

It is worth recalling the agreement with the Emilia-Romagna region to occupy the Brussels premises with an occupancy agreement free of charge.

In addition, I would like to remind you of the agreement with the Nouvelle-Aquitaine to make the Secretary General's time available free of charge.

Comments on the 2021 revenues

30 regions are up to date with their membership fees, i.e., 100% of the official membership. This is the second time that no delays have been recorded. All these membership fees are for the year 2021. In such a difficult economic context, this mark of confidence obliges us to obtain better





results for the defence of quality and origin products in the interest of producers and the development of rural areas.

The Horizon2020 MOVING project started in September 2020, and we received a first payment of €41,400 at the end of 2020. In this project, staff and consultancy costs are funded at 100%. The MOVING project on sustainable mountains will represent funding of €85,600 over 4 years. €24,000 has been allocated to 2021.

Commentary on the 2021 result

The €41,400 from MOVING has not been fully allocated to the 2021 exercise. We have only retained €24,000.

The financial year 2021, therefore, shows a negative result of -6,161 €.

After the financial year 2021, our association's funds are therefore at an excellent level of 222,986 euros, at 140% of the expenses envisaged in the 2022 provisional budget.

Therefore, there is no need to reverse the 2014 decision. The annual quotation in 2022 can remain as planned at the general meeting in October 2021 at €4,500.

Comments on the provisional budget 2022

The provisional budget for 2022 will, as usual, be proposed in balance.

Giulia Scaglioni will return on 13 May 2022. Matteo Ponza's contract will end on 31 May 2022.

Expenses will be incurred for the Agrosmart Global project. These will be reimbursed at 75% in 2023.

The year 2022 remains subject to the uncertainties of COVID and the War in Ukraine.