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Hi all egeans!

Here is the autumn edition of the newsletter. This time there are articles of most of the leaving and new coming Board members. Furthermore there are announcements for the regional congresses and other egea activities. Have fun reading this newsletter.

Bert

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regional congresses

Northern & Baltic congress
Oulu (Finland)

Eastern congress
Cluj- napoca (Romania)

Euromed congress
Lisboa (Portugal)

Western congress
Glasgow (Scotland)

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"Kiss and cries"

the old chairman

Dear egeans,

One year ago, I took my keyboard to introduce myself, newly elected chairman of egea. And now, the end is near and so I face the final curtain. My friend, I'll say it clear, I'll state my case, of which I'm certain. I've lived a life that's full. I've travelled each and every highway; and more, much more than this, I did it my way!

It's nothing to say that this year was eventful and if I managed to go through it, it's essentially thanks to my BoE colleagues; more than a great cooperation, we managed to create friendship links that enable us to do all the job we have to do.

During the really great congress we had in Krakow (congratulations to Tomek and his Dream Team), an (almost) brand new Board was elected; our foundation can only congratulates itself on this nomination, Lefteris, Natalia, Kathrin, Gert and of course our Kiki are wonderful people and will be a perfect BoE for egea. Once again I

would like to congratulate them for their election ... good luck folks, one year is not that long!

To conclude, this really short article (am I not a retired?) I would like to thank all of you and express a wish, shall egea keep "getting" bigger, while Europe is coming closer and shall egeans keep this very particular feeling that make them so special people.

Jean-François ANDRE

the old vice-chairman

Year full of nice memories

Time is passing by very fast. After the Annual Congress in Dijon, 2002, I was a bit afraid if I manage to be a good Contact Person, but when I came back to Warsaw I met many enthusiastic people and knew together we will make this year a special one. Started with an exchange with egea berlin and an exhibition of egea at our faculty, than the New Year Party, an exchange with egea Utrecht and finally a successful Annual Congress. Also other entities in Eastern Region didn't sleep. egea krakow prepared the Eastern region, egea cluj- napoca had the first exchange in their history and after all they were so brave to decide to organize the Eastern Congress in 2004 in Romania. Bravo!

Personally this year taught me a lot about egea in general and about organizing stuff. Together with Jean Francois, Heidi, Kiki and Tomek we were often meeting on msn to discuss the egea protocol and to make just

friend talks. They are really nice people!

I wish the new board of egea Europe good luck in the coming year!

Asia

the old and new Secretary

Hi, my name is still Kristjan Pärnamägi and I am an again Secretary of egea! A bit of me: I am 24 now and 3rd year geography student in University of Tartu. I found egea just before Southern Regional Congress in Fuzine on spring 2002. I fell in love with egea and now I'm again secretary of the BoE in the egea Foundation and also new Chairman of egea tartu. So as I said last year that I were really new in egea, then now I'm one of the "oldest" as I have participated during this 1,5 year on 2 AC-s, 3 RC-s and NYP and 1 exchange.

So I should know a lot about egea now and to be more efficient with my work for egea Foundation.

Hope that you enjoy second year with me and other BoE-s.

Kristjan Pärnamägi

the new Chairman

Hello egeans,

My name is Lefteris Eleftheriadis and I'm born at 04/10/1979 in Veria, a town near Thessaloniki, in North Greece and I lived there until 1998. Then, a nice day, I went to Italy, in Bari, to study jurisprudence (!*#\$\$%*). The life there wasn't so

good and one year later and after having exams again, I passed at the Department of Geography of the University of the Aegean, in Mytilene (Lesvos Island).

I'm member of the egea mytilene since the spring of 2000. My first appearance in egea activities was in the 13th Annual Congress in Duszynki Zdroj at Poland and from then I've participated in 2 exchanges (1st : Mytilene - Utrecht - Amsterdam, 2nd : Mytilene - Novi Sad). I've been member of the organizing committee of the EuroMed Regional Congress 2003 at Lesvos Island. For this academic year me and my colleges are planning for some exchanges in our "little village". Also, for this academic year I'll be the contact person of the EuroMed Region of egea and the Chairman of our association.

My life in Mytilene, a town with almost 30.000 inhabitants, is quite cool. I 'm member of the students group for our e-magazine and of the students group for volunteering blood donation. I 'm also handling with photography and our radio station.

I've been elected representative of the Geography students at the Senate the period 2000/2003 and I've been elected representative for all the students of the University of the Aegean at the Rectors' Council the period 2001/2002.

I hope to see you soon somewhere.

Lefteris Eleftheriadis

egea mytilene

the new vice-chairman

Hello Dear egeans!

If you ask me, who am I? I'll say that a young girl from Saint-Petersburg, from the country which has a big territory and a lot of nice people. At the 28th of October I together with my sister had a happy birthday - 40 years for two persons)

My Alma Mater is the Russian State Hydrometeorological University, Faculty of Ecology and Environmental Physics. And here (only after two years of study, now I'm on the 4th year) I met the first egeans. It's a very good thing - to be one of the team, to be an Egea-member, to participate in congresses, exchanges and to have new knowledge about different things. Maybe this Annual Congress in Krakow opened my eyes. I saw the GBM, during which all people took part in egea life; each member had the opportunity to share his opinion with others. It's great! I really felt it and I know now ... I like egea!

I would like to thank egea warsaw for the nice congress, which opened me the egea-world! And for all people on the Earth:" let's make egea bigger!"

Best Wishes!

Natalia (or just Natasha)

egea st-petersburg

the new Treasurer

Hi there egea-world!

My name is Kathrin Klei and I'm the new treasurer in BoE 2003/04. I want to introduce myself shortly to you. So,

what do you want to know? Well, I'm 24 years old and I'm studying 'Geography of tourism' in University of Trier in the 3rd year now. Some of you might think, well so 'old' already and only in the third year of her studies? Of course there is reason for it. After school I started to learn the profession as a travel agent for three years. It was a really good time, where I learned a lot, and where I got the possibility to travel around, my personal addiction... as you probably still can see in being a member of egea. But in 2001 I thought that I'm still too young to sit the rest of my life behind a counter in a travel agency. And I decided to start studying my favourite school topic - Geography! The best decision in my life!

I got in contact with egea when I was only a freshman in university, as one of our mentors told us about it. Until that time, there was no egea trier existing. In November 2001 five of my friends and me decided to found egea trier.

Since that day I'm active in egea and try to do a good job in Trier. I've been on several congresses, like the Regional Congress in Muiden 2002, and the last two Annual Congresses (Dijon 2002, Krakow 2003). Last year I was also the Exchange-coordinator for our entity and we had exchanges with Utrecht, Kiev and Odessa.

For the coming year, my new challenge will be the job as treasurer in the egea Foundation and the Western Contact Person. For this, I will do my best, too. My opinion is, that egea is our step into the future for an united Europe! So let's enjoy that all egea-members create together something special!

I hope me and the rest of my BoE-team will have a good year together

with you, and that all of us will spread around the message of egea: While Europe is coming closer, egea is getting bigger....

All the best to you from Trier!

Kathrin Klei

egea trier

the new congress organiser:

Hello everybody,

My name is Gert and I'm 23 years old. I study human geography in Utrecht. Two years ago in my third year of study I came in contact with egea. I joined the exchange committee and I was one of the organisers for the Amsterdam-Utrecht-Mytilini exchange and I was present at the western regional congress organised by egea amsterdam. The next year I've been asked to become the chairman of egea utrecht. It turned out to be a very successful year for us in Utrecht with exchanges with Trier, Tartu and Warszawa, with many activities for the foreign students in Utrecht and with lots of other activities like parties and the egea Netherlands weekend.

During the year more and more people in Utrecht became enthusiastic about the idea of organising an annual congress. Together with Heidi, I started to make preparations for our candidacy as congress organiser for 2004. At the Annual Congress 2003 in Krakow, egea utrecht has been chosen as the next congress organiser and I've been chosen as annual congress coordinator in the egea board of executives.

Back in Utrecht we went on with our preparations and a congress committee has been formed. The theme of the congress will be water. Water is a very topical subject in Europe, it can be linked to every specialisation of geography and the Netherlands is a perfect location for this theme. Besides water there will also be attention for processes connected with European integration and European identity. Next to the scientific part there will be parties, cultural events, a sports tournament and of the annual meetings about the egea foundation. We plan to organise the congress for at least 150 people.

It will be a challenging year for the committee, but with the support from the board of egea utrecht, egea Europe, a lot of students from Utrecht and with all the participants from all over Europe I've got a lot of trust that we will manage to organise a very good congress in September or October 2004 in the Netherlands.

Hope to meet you there or maybe sooner somewhere else!

Gert Ruepert

egea utrecht

Results of the annual congress

miss egea – asia

mister egea - tomek dusza

funniest - rok

best dressed - david and irma

nicest ass - kiki and franzi

laziest - david

most active - heidi

Agenda and announcements

The Euromed regional congress:

Dear egeans,

egea lisbon is proud to announce that it will assure the organization of the next's year Euromed Regional Congress.

The organization will be assured by the Student's Association from the University of Lisbon, Faculty of Letters - Department of Geography.

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Best Regards from egea lisbon

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Claudia Mendonca

egea lisbon

The northern regional congress

**"Challenging Location
and Northern Know-how"**

Dear friends,

egea oulu, Finland, is proud to announce that next northern regional congress will be hosted by Oulu, the most northern egea city!

Workshops will be something like this:

- Rural development and participatory planning
- Technology and images in Oulu region
- GIS and location based services
- Tourism in northern Finland
- Environment

The congress will be 1st-5th of March in Virpiniemi nearby Oulu. We will have place for about 40 participants. Be fast and wise and write it already to your calendars! You don't want to miss this...

The web page of the congress will be opened soon, so follow the egea forum.

When you will come this north, why not to spend some more time in here: Just after the congress there will be our traditional Snow and Ice Seminar, where you are also welcome. Thus there is possibility to have whole week of egea fun!

We would be happy to see you here!

For more information, please contact egea@student oulu.fi

Greetings,

egea oulu

the New Years Party Tartu

egea tartu invites you to spend distinctive New Year's Eve with geographers over the Europe.

egea New Year's Party will take place from 30.12.2003-02.01.2004 in picturesque South-Estonian village Järveküla.

We expect about 35 people from all parts of Europe. The fee for the event will be about 40 € and it covers accommodation, meals and other program

As it is cold we expect you to take some warm clothes for fun in snow and warm sleeping bag for a dry night.

For more information and registration go to NYP webpage: www.egea.ee/nyp

egea tartu NYPOT

the egea Germany weekend: 27.-29.February 2004

The entities of Marburg and Trier would like to invite everybody to the new established egea Germany weekend which will be held on the 27.-29. February 2004 in Hofgeismar, a little lovely historical town 30km north of Kassel!

The idea for this new egea event was born in September 2003, when some egeans from Berlin, Leipzig and Trier joined the Netherlands-Weekend on the island of Ameland.

We thought: why not copying good Dutch inventions ;-) ??

The main purpose of this event is that people of different egea entities of Germany get to know each other to improve their cooperation in the future and to reactivate egea at some universities where our organisation exists, but the activity has fallen asleep.

We may even gain some "Newbie"-visitors who are interested in egea and who hopefully want to set up their own entity after the weekend!

There's more information and the possibility to register on the Forum. We can take up to 50 people and everybody's very welcome. You don't really have to be from Germany, but please understand that the majority of the participants should be.

We hope to see you all there to experience a whole weekend of fun and meeting people!

If you have any further questions, feel free to send an email to Andrea (hurner-maje@web.de) or Esther (estherhautmann@gmx.de).

Andrea and Esther

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deadline for the next newsletter
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to all contributors of this newsletter



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