

Grants Committee report

Eindhoven, The Netherlands

I had set of to the Netherlands from our very own airport in Lappeenranta. Our aim in Eindhoven, the Netherlands was to write successful grants for the central ESTIEM and to create an application report for the YiA (Youth in Action). I left a day early so that I would have the chance to see around Eindhoven before the actual happening, and as there was no other possible dates for the flight.

We met at the IEM faculty at 9 o'clock to find our working room. By 10 o'clock all of the 15 ESTIEMers had shown up for the event. Some ESTIEMers already knew each other, but it was still important to keep a get to know each other moment.



We discussed about general topics and we were divided into 4 topics to start off. They were;

- 4.1 General Application
- 4.1 Budget
- EYF Application
- ActivityReports



I chose 4.1 General Application, as I wanted to learn how to write application forms for the CENTRAL ESTIEM and possibly/hopefully for my own LG in the future.

We work in a team of four people, but as the days went on, also the team changed. I had the opportunity to learn about all of the general topics, with the main focus still being on the General Application. We ended the first day with a great Dutch dinner and of course some hard partying in the local “social environments”

Probably the most entertaining, the most hard-working day was the second day. Even more ESTIEMers and the participants came to work with us, most seemed to be coming from the Oktoberfest in Munich. We worked all day long, again, but with sweet appetizers (videos, music, jokes etc.). We had 4 Board members + 1 Committee Leader working with us side by side. The rhythm was, working, eating, having fun, working, working, tobacco, and working.



In the end of the second day we had finished the EYF Application, and the Budget and General Application were finished up to 90%. Again it was time for some partying. Everybody was happily drinking after the long day.

On the last day of the official part of the Grants Committee, we were starting to be tired, but still kept to focus on the left over work. Around 2 o'clock we were all happily finished with the work. The general grants application was finally completed, with some interesting events all around Europe. After the three long days it was nice to go to a water

park with the whole group. Some of us mainly focused on sleeping on the grass, as it was a beautiful summer day. Some of course let their inner child get loose and enjoyed the water park, as it was their last day on the earth.

Then we were of to the gala dinner and the last party. The gala dinner was not as high class as in other ESTIEM events, it was more of a get to getter with good food and company.

So the event was over. I started my long return to Lappeenranta training trough Belgium and sleeping in the Charleroi airport. In the end it was really worth it to work with the Grants Committee and to get to know how to work Grants. See all of you guys soon!



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