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PROPOSAL OF EXTERNAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE EDGE CITIES NETWORK

The difficulty of the members of the ECN to assume the presidency and coordination of the network (in addition to the economical crisis) may have a relation with the effort that these charges involve. The main activities during the period of the presidency have to be assumed by Local staff of the members and it is a lot of job, [especially if in the municipality there is not an international projects coordinator] For this reason the current triumvirate proposes to have an external technical assistance to support the presidency.

↑ permanent

The main targets of the assistance should be:

- assuming current affairs
- Publicizing the network
- Promoting the participation of new members
- Improving internal organization

The following activities could be performed:

- Design of the Presidency Agenda
- Cooperation in the organization of meetings. Minutes of the meetings
- Monitoring of the agreements made in the meetings
- Updating of the contents of the web
- Information about European calls of proposals
- Creation and updating of database partners and contact persons
- New partners proposals

Our proposal is to define a model of collaboration that allows to continue the same assistance when the presidency changes.

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* that demands extra local resources