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The future of ENEP

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Dear Mr President,

AFIE is committed to promote best practices with regards to implementing biodiversity conservation and enhancement in applied ecology projects and believes that the best way to achieve it is by collaborating with other countries. That is why working with ENEP and other European institutions make sense for AFIE.

Besides, AFIE is a member of ENEP since 2011. Our membership has helped to achieve numerous benefits such as:

- ✓ Increase in individual members (from 167 in 2010 to 196 in 2016) ;
- ✓ Links with the EU Commission and other European and international institutions: unit Biodiversity of DG Environment, International Cooperation and Development – EuropeAid, EEB, IUCN, etc. ;
- ✓ Networking with other environmental professional organizations in Europe, in particular CIEEM, IES, SocEnv, AIN, CZSEP, SVU-ASEP and AFITE ;
- ✓ Project and employment opportunities ;
- ✓ Best practices and environmental information dissemination.

Our members are particularly interested in the following issues:

- Environmental policies : Natura 2000, Common Agricultural Policy, etc. ;
- Green infrastructure and other biodiversity strategies ;
- Environmental qualifications and certifications ;
- Best practice sharing through events and documents ;
- Employment and project opportunities.

These are other reasons to maintain our membership in 2018 whose cost will be based on the number of AFIE members next year.

To keep our membership we recommend continuing ENEP's work in the fields mentioned above as well as looking for **funding from the private and the public sectors**, promoting the events to individual members, **increasing opportunities of cooperation** with other European and International environmental organizations (such as the European Environmental Agency or the Centre Thématique de la Biodiversité, etc.) and **from other sectors** that have an impact on biodiversity (for exemple CWW for energy issues and IENE for the transport sector), more up dates regarding the work done by the **European Commission** and the replacement of the TTF by the previous **Working Groups**.

With regards to the future of ENEP, AFIE choses scenario C. ENEP 2.0. AFIE will continue to support ENEP not only by paying the annual membership fee, but also by providing material (a poster about wind

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turbines and biodiversity at the next GA) and Angeles MORAGUES as AFIE's representative with regards to ENEP and other international organizations.

AFIE looks forward to meeting you at the next General Assembly in Paris.

Blanche GOMEZ
President

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Angels MORAGUES
Member of the board of directors

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'Angeles Moragues', with a circular flourish at the beginning.