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E.C.C.O. Committee meeting and General Assembly of E.C.C.O., Bratislava, $17^{th} - 20^{th}$ of April 2015

Dear Juraj Puškar, dear Barbara Davidson

On behalf of E.C.C.O. and the committee I would like to express our thanks to you, as President and Vice-President representative for the Members of Komora Reštaurátorov for so kindly hosting our organisation over the weekend of April 17th-19th in the office of Komora Reštaurátorov free of charge. This Committee meeting served also to prepare the General Assembly, held in the City Gallery on 20th of April 2015. It was not the first time E.C.C.O. was kindly invited to hold its Committee meeting in Bratislava in the office of KR. It makes Bratislava a second home for the E.C.C.O. Committee and helps our Organization to work effectively and in a relaxed way. Due to the tireless effort of Barbara, the organizational part was so well structured that unexpected changes were picked up, arrangements adapted and all effort remained unnoticed. Very big compliments to Barbara to the E.C.C.O.'s Strategy for this fluid supporting framework.

The invitation to the conference of the KR was a great opportunity to present and to discuss our work on the Strategic Plan with the members of your Komora, our member association. Also a great opportunity to show that E.C.C.O. constitutes real Conservator-Restorers from member associations all over Europe and exists becuase of us all in the principle of solidarity in mutual recognition. This solidarity made it possible that during the General Assembly a paper was written to support the french association FFCR in certifying the affiliation of Conservator Restorers as a Liberal Profession. This paper is called "Bratislava Declaration" and is now a part of E.C.C.O.'s history – so is Bratislava!

With the wonderful and interesting field trip you gave us the chance to meet more of your cultural landscape, to get into Slovakian history, to see beautiful wall paintings and get into closer contact with you, our collegues. For the special interesting presentations of the Conservation-restoration work in theses three churches, and thanks espacially Marian Keleši, Jozef Dorica and Vladimir Plekanec for their time, insight and vision of their work they shared with us. Special thanks to Vladimir Plekanec which passion and committment were evident and the beautiful books which he presented to us are a tribute to this. E.C.C.O. feels so grateful to see the works of conservation-restoration that which excites us all and makes us work hard for contributing for better conditions in the saveguarding of cultural heritage. The mutual enthusiasm between all the conservator-restorer seems universal, crossing borders and gives us the strength to go on in our mission. You contribute by sharing the same vision! Thank You!

With best wishes, sincerely

Susan Corr - President of E.C.C.O.