

Beside that which is already included in the 2005 agreement, we suggest:

To supply the EDCs with EU publications: the EC commits itself to supply, free of charge, the EDCs with bulk amount of publications for distribution during events (conferences, seminars, Europe Day, Erasmus welcome day, etc.) organised by the EDCs;

The possibility to obtain, on demand and free of charge, one hard copy of online-only publications;

Elementary and advanced training and other support activities to the EDCs' network: guaranteeing, beside the annual National meeting and the training seminar in Brussels, other network meetings and a visit to the institutions and libraries of the European Union for the new EDCs;

In order to give the EDCs greater visibility within the host institutions: we ask that a triennial visit by an officer of the Representation of the European Commission in Italy will be guaranteed to every EDC and their host institutions.

Moreover, we ask the European Commission to:

- keep supporting the realisation of the Annual network project by the EDCs,
- make sure of the involvement of the EDCs in the initiatives of the Representation of the European Commission in Italy during the meetings with the EDICs if those meetings concern themes dealt with by the EDCs and by their guest institutions.

No more than one EDC can be instituted at the guest institution, and a Europe Direct Centre (EDIC) cannot be instituted at an institution where an EDC is already present, unless EDC and EDIC achieve a preliminary agreement.

The EDC staff must be provided with specialised professionalism in the field of document research and information, with autonomy in the management of the Centre and of its projects, and with the digital competences which are essential in contemporary society;

In the host institutions, the EDC must be clearly identifiable within and outside the host institution by proper signs. The agreement signed with the EC must be acknowledged by the academic bodies;

The Centre becomes the single European contact and information point dedicated both to the students, academic staff and external public and to all the offices that deal with European themes or projects within the same institution.

The host institutions must commit themselves to guarantee the involvement of the EDC in all the initiatives of information and dissemination of European themes organised within them; moreover, to subscribe partnership agreements with other bodies (Jean Monnet Centres, Departments, etc.) in order to make the use of European documental sources more profitable for study, research and information;

The host institution costs for the management of the EDC include also those for the appliances and software necessary to the operating of the Centre.

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