

# UBIE meeting

## Hamburg — 21 May 2016

### Draft Agenda

<b>10:00</b> Welcome, introduction to the agenda (Barb)		
<b>10:15</b> Introductions, reports from countries / regions		
<b>11:00</b> Core group report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responsibilities within the core group</li> <li>• Tasks within UBIE</li> <li>• Membership survey</li> <li>• Cooperations (Diem, ECI Campaign etc)</li> </ul>		
<b>11:30</b> Coffee break		
<b>11:45</b> First workshops round		
ECI / petition (Klaus)	Lobbying strategy (Nicole), incl. Elections 2019 (Ronald?)	EU Social Pillar consultation (Barb)
<b>13:00</b> Lunch break		
<b>15:00</b> Second workshops round		
Eurodividend (Dániel)	Fundraising (Lena)	
<b>16:15</b> Break		
<b>16:30</b> Third workshops round		
Pilot projects (Dániel)	Health (Vahur)	UBIE external communications (Robin)
<b>17:45</b> Reports from workshops		
<b>18:30</b> END		

# Workshop descriptions:

## New ECI / Petition

This workshop will look at options for doing another Europe-wide ECI or petition for basic income – the basic principles for the text, and strategies to make sure this time we get (at least) 1 million supporters.

## Lobbying strategy

This workshop will look at how we should be lobbying the MEPs, EU institutions, and NGOs – who should we be approaching, with what kinds of proposals, and how? Could we draft a statement of support – based on examples from France & UK – and ask politicians and NGOs to sign it?

## UBIE input to the EU Social Pillar Consultation

The European Commission opened, on 8 March 2016, a public consultation process on the [“European Pillar of Social Rights”](#) in order to make an assessment of the present EU social "acquis", to reflect on new trends in work patterns and societies and to gather views and feedback on the principles identified in a preliminary outline of the Pillar. The consultation will run until 31 December 2016 - in this workshop we would like to discuss how to develop UBIE's contribution to the consultation.

## Eurodividend

In 2013, Philippe van Parijs launched the idea of introducing [a partial basic income for the euro area - a Eurodividend](#). In Maastricht, UBIE has decided to organise a conference/workshop (towards the end of 2016) to develop concrete models for a Eurodividend. The discussion would focus on 3 main issues: financing, implementation and macro-economic effects. In this workshop we will discuss the state of preparations, possible questions for the discussion, speakers to invite, as well as funding and logistics.

## Fundraising

In order to be fully functioning, UBIE needs money. Aspirations to be able to reimburse travel expenses for people who need it, especially from under-represented countries; pursue the many ideas we have for projects, and just keep things like our website and mail servers going all need cash!

## Elections 2019

How can we make basic income a key topic during the next European Parliament elections in 2019? Can we develop and implement a broad pledge campaign targeting candidates in all (or some) EU member countries?

## Pilot projects

Pilot projects on basic income are getting headlines now - especially in Finland and the Netherlands, but also with the referendum in Switzerland. This workshop will discuss the possibilities of gathering a number of regions throughout Europe that are interested in implementing pilots and to push the European Commission to co-finance these experiment from the European Social Fund as well as to take care of scientific monitoring.

## Health

The potential benefits basic income could have for health are a key reason many in Canada are backing it. How can we pull together the experimental evidence from the various pilots to make this case in Europe?

## UBIE external communication working group

UBIE has a website, social media channels (Facebook groups and pages, Twitter, Google+), and a newsletter. This workshop will pull together an ongoing working group to keep these channels open – and make them more responsive to outside events.