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Independent Auditor's report on the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred of Alliance for Direct Democracy in Europe ASBL for the year ended 31 December 2016

In accordance with our service contract dated 18 November 2016 with the European Union represented by the European Parliament, we report to you on the performance of our audit which was entrusted to Ernst & Young Réviseurs d'Entreprises sccrl. This report includes the opinion on the balance sheet as at 31 December 2016, on the income statement for the year ended 31 December 2016 (all elements together the "Annual Accounts"), on the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred, as well as on compliance with rules and regulations applicable to funding of political parties and political foundations at European level.

This report supersedes our audit report issued on 25 August 2017 following additional documents received:

- Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2016 signed by 2 Members of the Board of Directors: received on 24 January 2018;
- Letter of representations signed by 2 Members of the Board of Directors: received on 10 January 2018.

Report on the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred – Adverse opinion

We have audited the Annual Accounts of Alliance for Direct Democracy in Europe ASBL (the "Entity") as of and for the year ended 31 December 2016, prepared in accordance with the financial reporting framework applicable in Belgium and in accordance with the rules and regulations applicable to funding of political parties and political foundations at European level.

The Annual Accounts show a balance sheet total of \leqslant 379.606,45 and the income statement shows a profit for the year of \leqslant 3.672,96. The profit of the year has been transferred to the profit carried forward account. Reserves accumulated amount to \leqslant 18.233,88 and a carry-over to nil.

We were not provided with the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred for the period of eligibility defined by the grant award decision of Alliance for Direct Democracy in Europe ASBL prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations applicable to funding of political parties and political foundations at European level; therefore we do not express an opinion on the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred.

Responsibility of the Members of the Board of Directors for the preparation of the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred

The Members of the Board of Directors are responsible for the preparation of Annual Accounts that give a true and fair view in accordance with the financial-reporting framework as applicable in Belgium. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation of Annual Accounts that give a true and fair view and that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the given circumstances. The Members of the Board of Directors are responsible towards the European Parliament for the use of the grant and must



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comply with the provisions of the Regulation EC (No) 2004/2003 and the underlying acts. This responsibility includes the preparation of the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred.

Responsibility of the Auditor

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these Annual Accounts, based on our audit. Furthermore, with respect to the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred, it is our responsibility to express an opinion on the compliance with rules and regulations applicable to funding of political parties and political foundations at European level.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing ("ISAs"). Those standards require that we comply with the ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and Notes in the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Entity's preparation and fair presentation of the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred that give a true and fair view, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Members of the Board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Annual Accounts and the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred.

With the exception of the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred, we have obtained from the Members of the Board and the Entity's officials the explanations and information necessary for performing our audit procedures and we believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse opinion. We do not express an opinion on the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred.

Basis for adverse opinion

The Entity's Annual Accounts are prepared under the assumption of going concern, whereas the Board of Directors proposed to the General Assembly to enter into liquidation. This proposal was approved by the General Assembly in its meeting of 26 April 2017. Assets and liabilities have however not been accounted for at liquidation value.

The income statement includes expenses for an amount of $\[\]$ 299.720 for which we are not able to conclude on the eligibility in accordance with article II.11 of the Grant Award Decision and article 7 & 8 of the Regulation (EC) N° 2004/2003. Furthermore, the Annual Accounts do not include the final grant calculation towards the European Parliament (Final statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred). As a consequence, this might impact the income statement as well as the accounts receivable ($\[\]$ 248.345,-) and the accounts payable ($\[\]$ 172.654,92) vis-à-vis the European Parliament.

The entity is involved in 2 instances before the General Court of the European Union in a dispute with the European Parliament with respect to its 2015 and 2017 grants. The outcome of both court cases is uncertain and might impact the income statement, as well as the accounts receivable (\leqslant 248.345,-) and the accounts payable (\leqslant 172.654,92) vis-à-vis the European Parliament.



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Adverse Opinion

Because of the significance of the matters described in the 'Basis for adverse opinion' paragraph, the Annual Accounts (i.e. balance sheet, income statement), in our opinion, do not give a true and fair view of the Entity's net equity and financial position as of 31 December 2016, nor of its results for the year then ended, prepared in accordance with the financial reporting framework applicable in Belgium.

We do not express an opinion on the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

The Members of the Board of Directors are responsible for the compliance by the Entity of the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium, its articles of association, the legal and regulatory requirements regarding bookkeeping and the provisions of the European Parliament's grant award decision, Regulation (EC) No 2004/2003 and the underlying acts.

Our audit work included specific procedures to gather sufficient and appropriate audit evidence that the financial provisions and obligations of the grant award decision, Regulation (EC) No 2004/2003 and the underlying acts have been met.

Because of the significance of the matters described in the 'Basis for adverse opinion' paragraph, and in the absence of the Final Statement of eligible expenditure actually incurred, we cannot conclude on the following additional statements:

- without prejudice to certain formal aspects of minor importance, the accounting records were maintained in accordance with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium;
- the financial documents submitted by Alliance for Direct Democracy in Europe ASBL to the European Parliament are consistent with the financial provisions of the Bureau's grant award decision:
- the expenditure declared was actually incurred;
- the statement of revenue is exhaustive;
- the obligations arising from the Regulation (EC) No 2004/2003 have been met;
- the obligations arising from the Bureau decision of 29 March 2004 have been met;
- the obligations arising from the grant award decision, in particular from Article II.7 Award of contracts and Article II.11 Eligible expenditure, have been met;
- the obligations arising out of Article 125(5) and (6) of the Financial Regulation have been met.

Brussels, 13 February 2018

Ernst & Young Réviseurs d'Entreprises scort

Auditor

represented by

Danielle Vermaelen

Partner*

*Acting on behalf of a BVBA/SPRL

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|--|-------|---------------|------------|
| 01/01/2016 - 31/12/2 ACTIFS IMMOBILISES | 20/28 | complet Page: | 52.824,00 |
| | | | |
| Immobilisations incorporelles | 21 | | 47.564,44 |
| 210000 FRAIS DE RECHERCHE ET DE DEVELOPPEMEN | т | 65.231,22 | |
| 210009 AMORT S/ FRAIS DE DEVELOPPEMENT | | (17.666,78) | |
| Immobilisations corporelles | 22/27 | | 4.341,5 |
| Mobilier et matériel roulant | 24 | 4,341,56 | |
| Autres | 242 | 4.341,56 | |
| 242000 MATERIEL INFORMATIQUE | 1 1 | 7.277,32 | |
| 242009 AMORT S/ MATERIEL INFORMATIQUE | | (2.935,76) | |
| Immobilisations financières | 28 | | 918,0 |
| Autres immobilisations financières | 284/8 | 918,00 | |
| Créances et cautionnements en numéraire | 285/8 | 918,00 | |
| 288000 CAUTIONNEMENT VERSES EN NUMERAIRE | | 918,00 | |
| ACTIFS CIRCULANTS | 29/58 | | 326.782,45 |
| Créances à un an au plus | 40/41 | | 248,345,0 |
| Autres créances | 41 | 248,345,00 | |
| 415000 SUBSIDE A RECEVOIR | | 248.345,00 | |
| | | | |
| Valeurs disponibles | 54/58 | | 682,0 |
| 550003 PAYPAL | | 682,01 | |
| Comptes de régularisation | 490/1 | | 77.755,4 |
| 491000 PRODUITS ACQUIS | | 77.755,44 | |
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Montant total de l'actif

379.606,45



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| 01/01/2016 - 31/12/2016 FONDS SOCIAL | 10/15 | a complet 1 495 | 21.906,84 |
|---|-------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Fonds affectés | 13 | | 18.233,88 |
| 133000 RESERVES DISPONIBLES | | 18.233,88 | |
| *** 149999 Solde entre 6 et 7 | | 3.672,96 | 3.672,96 |
| DETTES | 17/49 | | 357.699,61 |
| Dettes à un an au plus | 42/48 | | 357.699,61 |
| Dettes financières | 43 | 126.030,77 | |
| Etablissements de crédit | 430/8 | 126.030,77 | |
| 433000 ETABL. CREDIT/DETTES EN COMPTE COURANT | | 126.030,77 | |
| Dettes commerciales | 44 | 231.289,66 | |
| Fournisseurs | 440/4 | 58.634,74 | |
| 440000 FOURNISSEURS 444000 FACTURES A RECEVOIR | | 56.638,2 4 1.996,50 | |
| Effets à payer | 441 | 172.654,92 | |
| 441000 EFFETS A PAYER CONTESTES | | 172.654,92 | |
| Dettes fiscales; salariales et sociales | 45 | 379,18 | |
| Rémunérations et charges sociales | 454/9 | 379,18 | |
| 455000 REMUNERATIONS | | 379,18 | |
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| Montant total du passif | | | 379.606,45 |

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| | 01/0 | 01/2016 - 31/12/2016 | Schéma comple | | Page . 3 - 24-04-201 |
| С | OMPTE DE RESULTATS | | | | |
| /entes et prestation | ns | 7 | 0/74 | | 1.285.732,63 |
| Cotisations; don | s; legs et subsides | 7 | 73 | | 1.285.732,63 |
| 730000 | CONTRIBUTIONS - DONS | | | 36.721,00 | |
| 731000 | MEMBERSHIP | | | 217.937,49 | |
| 731010 | MEMBERSHIP FEES - A PERCEVOIR | | | 43.283,69 | |
| 732000 | SUBSIDES | | | 1.122.710,40 | |
| 732010 | DEPENSES NON ELIGIBLES | | | 37.234,97 | |
| 732050 | DONS EN NATURE | | | 500,00 | |
| 733000 | SUBSIDES 2015 RECLAMES | | | (172.654,92) | |
| coût des ventes et | des prestations | 6 | 30/64 | | (1.277.423,67 |
| Services et bien | s divers | 6 | 31 | | (1.223.015,54 |
| 610000 | LOCATION BUREAU ET MOBILIER | | | (12,472,32) | |
| 611200 | FRAIS REUNION - BANQUET - CONFE | RENCE | 1 | (34.415,83) | |
| 611250 | LOCATION STAND | | | (500,00) | |
| 612000 | FOURNITURES DE BUREAU | | | (864,69) | |
| 612100 | FRAIS ET FOURNITURES INFORMATION | QUES | | (43,885,55) | |
| 612200 | ABON/DOC FORMATIONS CONFEREN | NCES | | (15.521,57) | |
| 612300 | FRAIS POSTAUX | | | (96,93) | |
| 612500 | IMPRESSIONS - PHOTOCOPIES | | ŀ | (4.565,65) | |
| 613000 | HONORAIRES NOTAIRE AVOCAT REV | /ISEUR | | (19.457,21) | |
| 613100 | HONORAIRES COMPTABLES | | | (6.290,78) | |
| 613300 | HONORAIRES DIVERS | | | (607.396,88) | |
| 613310 | PUBLICITE | | | (108.866,14) | |
| 613320 | ETUDES - VOTES - ENQUETES | | | (60.632,92) | |
| 613400 | FRAIS DE GESTION SEC SOCIAL | | | (2.061,36) | |
| 613600 | SPONSORSHIP - DONS | | 1 | (55.205,72) | |
| 614000 | FRAIS DIVERS VEHICULES - TAXIS CA | ARBU | | (2.094,15) | |
| 614100 | INDEMNITE KM | | | (1.708,55) | |
| 615000 | COTISATION SOCIETAIRE | | 1 | (115,00) | |
| 615200 | ASSURANCE LOI | | | (153,39) | |
| 616000 | FRAIS DE RESTAURANT | | | (8.451,72) | |
| 616100 | CADEAUX CLIENTS | | | (134,40) | |
| 616300 | FRAIS DE VOYAGE | | | (95.324,78) | |
| 618000 | REMUN. DES ADMIN. ET GERANTS | | | (142.800,00) | |
| Rémunérations | ; charges sociales et pensions (+)(-) | 6 | 32 | | (36.280,9 |
| 620200 | REMUNERATIONS EMPLOYES | | | (24.941,03) | |
| 620210 | PECULE DE VACANCES EMPLOYES | | | (5.555,73) | |
| 620220 | PRIME DE FIN D'ANNEE EMPLOYES | 1 | | (1.500, 25) | |
| 621000 | COTISATIONS PATRONALES ASSUR | SOC. | | (4.019,17) | |
| 623000 | AUTRES FRAIS DE PERSONNEL | 1 | | (303,20) | |
| 625000 | EXONERATION PP A PAYER | | | 38,41 | |
| | s et réductions de valeur sur frais d'établiss incorporelles et corporelles | sement; sur | 630 | | (18.127,1 |
| 630100 | DOT, AMORT, IMMO, INCORPORELLE | s | | (16.307,80) | |
| 630200 | DOT. AMORT. IMMO. CORPORELLES | | | (1.819,36) | |
| Résultat positif (né | igatif) d'exploitation (+)(-) | 9 | 9901 | | 8.308,9 |
| Produits financiers | 3 | 7 | 75 | | 18,2 |
| Autono mandistra | financiers | : | 752/9 | | 18,2 |





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| 754100 DIFFERENCES DE CHANGE AUTRES | | 18,21 | |
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| Charges financières | 65 | | (4.654,21) |
| Charges des dettes | 650 | | (2.833,74) |
| 650000 INTERETS, COMMISIONS ET FRAIS DETTES | 1 1 | (2.833,74) | |
| Autres charges financières | 652/9 | | (1.820,47) |
| 654100 DIFFERENCES DE CHANGE AUTRES | | (138,74) | |
| 657200 AUTRES FRAIS FINANCIERS | | (1.681,73) | |
| Résultat positif (négatif) courant (+)(-) | 9902 | | 3,672,96 |
| Bénéfice (Perte) de l'exercice avant impôts | 9903 | | 3.672,96 |
| Résultat positif (négatif) de l'exercice | 9904 | | 3.672,96 |
| AFFECTATIONS ET PRELEVEMENTS | 1 1 | | |
| Résultat positif (négatif) à affecter | 9906 | | 3.672,96 |
| Résultat positif (négatif) de l'exercice à affecter | 9905 | | 3.672,96 |
| Résultat positif (négatif) à reporter | (14) | | |
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| 149999 - RESULTAT PROVISOIRE REPORTE 610000 - LOCATION BUREAU ET MOBILIER 611200 - FRAIS REUNION - BANQUET - CONFERENCE 611250 - LOCATION STAND 612000 - FOURNITURES DE BUREAU 612100 - FRAIS ET FOURNITURES INFORMATIQUES 612200 - ABON/DOC FORMATIONS CONFERENCES 612300 - FRAIS POSTAUX 612500 - IMPRESSIONS - PHOTOCOPIES 613000 - HONORAIRES NOTAIRE AVOCAT REVISEUR 613100 - HONORAIRES COMPTABLES 613300 - HONORAIRES DIVERS 613310 - PUBLICITE 613320 - ETUDES - VOTES - ENQUETES 613400 - FRAIS DE GESTION SEC SOCIAL 613600 - SPONSORSHIP - DONS 614000 - FRAIS DIVERS VEHICULES - TAXIS CARBU 614100 - INDEMNITE KM 615000 - COTISATION SOCIETAIRE 615200 - ASSURANCE LOI 616000 - FRAIS DE RESTAURANT 616100 - CADEAUX CLIENTS 616300 - FRAIS DE VOYAGE 625000 - EXONERATION PP A PAYER | 3.673 (12.472) (34.416) (500) (865) (43.886) (15.522) (97) (4.566) (19.457) (6.291) (607.397) (108.866) (60.633) (2.061) (55.206) (2.094) (1.709) (115) (153) (8.452) (134) (95.325) |
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