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To ALL EI STAFF

Re 6th WORLD CONGRESS

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Dear Colleagues,

I wish to convey to all of you on my own behalf, and on behalf of the President, our thanks for the extraordinary work which you did in organising and running the 6th World Congress.

This Congress has been widely recognised as one of the most successful EI has ever held. Despite the pressures of an extensive business agenda it ran smoothly and dealt with more business than any previous Congress. This was due in no small measure to your efforts.

Your competence, commitment and dedication were most impressive and were remarked upon by many delegations. We have received letters of thanks on behalf of delegations which recognise the success of the Congress and your major contribution to that success.

Those of us in Brussels will have an opportunity to celebrate that success at a dinner on 1st December in the Hotel La Plaza with the Executive Board.

We will initiate a detailed review of Congress in the coming days in order to ensure that we learn from our experiences in Cape Town and bring the lessons into our planning for the next World Congress! Each of you will receive a questionnaire in the next few weeks on which to record your experiences in the organisation and running of Congress. We will present the report on that survey to a staff meeting in Brussels on the 16th December.

Once again I would like to place on the record my gratitude to you for the energy and enthusiasm which you put into your work at Congress. I hope that you have a little of that energy, commitment and dedication left to implement the program which we must implement before the next Congress!

Yours sincerely,

Fred van Leeuwen, General Secretary