**Chair of EMIN Report on 2022 Activities**

**AGM – May 16th 2023**

It is my pleasure to give this brief report on the activities of EMIN during 2022.

The following are the main points that stand out:

1. We were pleased to have entered into a partnership agreement with the Mediator’s Institute of Ireland (MII). This means that the MII will use the EMIN Certification and system as the basis for certification of recognized Elder mediators in Ireland. This coupled with the partnership arrangement with the Resolution Institute in Australia (which I referenced in last year’s report) is in line with our plan to develop such relationships as far as possible to ensure the spread of Elder Mediation and to uphold the integrity of the Certification process.
2. EMIN continues to be in a healthy financial state, with outstanding oversight now being provided by Freddie De Luca as our Treasurer during all of 2022.
3. As signaled in last year’s report, Helen Harnett took over the Registrar role in 2022, with Greg Berenger acting as Deputy Registrar. The Accreditation Committee has worked at a number of reforms during the year, particularly in relation to reviewing the exam for Advanced-Level accreditation. They are currently looking at how we might assist people move from Elder Mediation training to Accreditation as easily and effectively as possible, while still maintaining the necessary standards.
4. It was agreed that the next EMIN Summit will take place in November 2023 and will use the same format as the Summit that was so successful in 2021. The dates are 8th and 9th of November – formal notification will be posted later in the year.
5. The various committees (Ethics, Summit and Certification) all operated during the year, with the exception of the Ethics Committee which is still without a Chair since the resignation of Mags Bouchier. We are grateful to Judy McCann Berenger who chaired the Summit Committee and to Helen Harnett, who chaired the Certification Committee.
6. We were delighted that Freddie De Luca (UK), Kata Piroch (Switzerland) and Alvina Snell (Canada) agreed to join us on the EMIN Board. As noted above, Freddie further agreed to take over the role of Treasurer.

Brian O’Neill, Chair

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