



EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Florence, 13 May 2022

Report (draft until approved)

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1. Approval of the agenda

The President welcomes all present Members to this Extraordinary General Assembly, organised on the occasion of the 22nd Congress.

He outlines the items on the agenda, which is subsequently approved by the meeting (ISMLLW 1108 N E 1 and ISMLLW 1108 N F 1).

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2. Report of the General Assembly of 22 June 2021

The Extraordinary General Assembly unanimously approves the report of the General Assembly of 22 June 2021 (Reference ISMLLW 1079 N E 3 and ISMLLW 1079 N F 3), and confirms the decisions taken under written procedure.

The President and the Secretary-General will sign the approved report.

3. Financial situation / membership fees

The President informs the Members that after careful consideration in Bruges in September 2021 and in Florence during its meeting of 10 May 2022, the Board of Directors unanimously approved a proposal made by the Treasurer and supported by the Managing Board, to increase the Society's membership fee to the amount of 30 euro as of 2023.

The President explains that the Society's membership fee remained unchanged for about two decades, and that it is rather low compared to the fees applicable to join similar societies. He stresses that inflation in the European Union is skyrocketing, that the accumulated inflation over the past two decades amounts to about 33 % and that the Boards have the task of maintaining the Society in a financially healthy state.. In these circumstances, the Board of Directors considered it to be absolutely necessary to increase the membership fee to the amount of 30 euro.

The Extraordinary General Assembly takes note of this decision without objections or comments.

4. Functioning of the Managing Board

The President informs the Extraordinary General Assembly that Vice-President Maria Elizabeth GUIMARÃES TEIXEIRA ROCHA (from Brazil) has resigned as a Member of the Managing Board for reasons related to domestic legislation. He adds that in accordance with article 21.3 of the Society's Statutes the Board of Directors has elected Dr. Petra DITRICHOVÁ (from the Czech Republic) as new Vice-President for the remainder of the term (10 May 2022 until the General Assembly of 2024).

The Extraordinary General Assembly takes note of this decision without objections or comments.

5. Requirement to update the Statutes by the end of 2023 in accordance with new legislation

The President points out that the Statutes of the Society will have to be updated to meet the requirements of applicable Belgian legislation. This effort will *inter alia* imply a redesign of the roles of the Society's General Assembly and Board of Directors. On the procedural side, it will require one and probably even two Extraordinary General Assembly meetings, to be organized in Belgium with the assistance of a notary. Furthermore, the result will have to be approved by Royal Decree. This demanding procedure should be completed by the end of 2023.

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6. Next General Assembly

The President confirms that at least one Extraordinary General Assembly will be organised before 2024 to change the Statutes as required. More news about this will follow in due course.

The President,

The Secretary-General,

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