

# Notes from the 10<sup>th</sup> fib General Assembly Prague

Friday, 10 June 2011, 18.15 – 19.45 h Hotel Clarion, Prague, Czech Republic

# 1 - Opening, attendance, apologies, approval of draft agenda, approval of notes Washington May 2010

# 1.1 Apologies, written authorisations for voting of deputies

The meeting was chaired and opened at 18.15 h by the President György L. Balázs. The agenda was approved as drafted and sent beforehand.

Some absent Delegates or Heads of Delegations had transferred their voting rights to delegates or deputies present. Some other National Groups did not respond to the invitation, nor did they transfer their voting rights. The final list of presence is given in Table 1.

Further present were Billy Boshoff (South Africa), Hans-Rudolf Ganz (Hon. President, Switzerland), Hans-Ulrich Litzner (Hon. Treasurer), Petra Schumacher (*fib* Secretary General, Switzerland, taking the notes), Laura Thommen-Vidale (*fib* Secretariat, Switzerland).

Table 1: Presence of Delegates and Deputies - Votes as exercised in Prague

Country	Present	Status	Votes	Country	Present	Status	Votes
Australia	Foster	Del	2	India	Heggade	Dep	3
	Papworth	Dep			Joglekar	Dep	
Austria	Bergmeister	HdDel	2	Israel	Dancygier	HdDel	1
Belgium	Vyncke	Dep	2		Leviathan	Dep	
Brazil	Stucchi	HdDel	2	Italy	Menegotto	HdDel	4
	Doniak	Dep			Mancini	Del	
Canada	Bastien	HdDel	2	Japan	Sakai	Del	3
China	Feng	Del	2		Niwa	Dep	
Croatia	Sesar	Dep	1	Netherlands	Walraven	HdDel	3
Cyprus	Chrysostomou	HdDel	2		Stoelhorst	Del	
Czech	Kalny	HdDel	2	Norway	Helland	Del	2
Republic	Vitek	Del			Kjepso	Dep	
	Sruma	Dep		Poland	Ajdukiewicz	HdDel	2
Denmark	Braestrup	HdDel	2	Portugal	Almeida	Dep	2
France	Moussard	HdDel	4	Romania	Popaescu	HdDel	1
	Guiraud	Dep		Serbia	Marinkovic	HdDel	1
Germany	Müller	Del	4	Spain	Corres	Del	3
	Knitl	Del		Sweden	Forsström	HdDel	2
	Dehn	Dep		United	Clark	Del	3
	Lohaus	Dep		Kingdom			
Greece	Fardis	HdDel	2	USA	D'Arcy	HdDel	3
Hungary	Balázs	HdDel	2				
	Madaras	Del					

Abbreviations : Del = Delegate, Dep = Deputy, HdDel = Head of Delegation

The notes of the GA in Washington in May 2010 were corrected (p. 2 year of writing off outstanding debts was corrected from 2008 to 2007 and p. 4 last paragraph auxiliary verb was missing). The notes were approved.



# 2 - Quorum, voting procedures

#### 2.1 Countries validly represented, number of votes present, quorum

Represented by statutory delegates or deputies were the countries listed in the Table 1 above, with voting rights as indicated. In summary: 28 countries (out of 39) were represented and voting with 64 votes (out of 79), 81% (i.e. more than 50%).

#### 2.2 Exclusions from voting due to non-payment of subscriptions

There were none.

## 3 - Report of the President

The report was given by György L. Balázs based on the attached Power Point presentation (see Encl 1 GA June 11 Rep Pres.pdf).

## 4 - Membership, finances and administration

#### 4.1 Subscriptions and membership

The Secretary General Petra Schumacher gave an overview on the payments made by National Groups in the years 2007 – 1 June 2011 (Encl 2 110601 Payments ND).

The GA agreed to write off the outstanding dues for 2008.

#### 4.2 2010 Balance and Budgets 2011 (up-date) and 2012, appointment of auditor

The Hon. Treasurer Hans-Ulrich Litzner introduced the financial situation, which can be considered to be stable.

The Hon. Treasurer then presented in detail the up-dated budget for 2011 and the budget for 2012, see Encl 3a 110531 DrExp 11-12.pdf and Encl 3b 110531 DrInc 11-12.pdf. All subsequently approved the budgets for 2011 and 2012.

The Report of the statutory auditors for the year 2010 was presented (Encl 4 FIB Audit Report 2010.pdf).

For the verification of the accounting of 2011, the General Assembly appointed again the Fiduciaire Duchosal, Geneva.

#### 4.3 Secretarial matters

The President György L. Balázs welcomed new Secretary General Petra Schumacher, who briefly introduced herself.

#### 5 - Honours

According to article 7 (6) of the statutes, the President then submitted to the General Assembly the proposal of the Presidium to confer, the honour of **Honorary President** on **Michael Fardis** (Greece) in recognition of his significant personal contribution to *fib*.

The General Assembly unanimously approved this suggestion. Michael Fardis accepted.

#### 6 - New Model Code

SAG5 Chairman Joost Walraven briefly reported on the state of progress. 250 pages of comments were received, some of which led to significant changes. The next draft is expected to be submitted to the *fib* headquarters electronically until the end of July 2011 to enable a voting in another General Assembly in Lausanne on 28 and/or 29 October 2011.

# 7 - Questions from Delegates

There were no further questions from Delegates.

# 8 - Next Ordinary General Assembly

It was agreed to reserve 28 and/or 29 October 2011 as an option for the next General Assembly in Lausanne. Details will be sent at the beginning of September 2011 at the latest.



Enclosures

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$N^o$	Item	Subject	Remarks Sent with these notes	
1	3	Report of the President (Encl 1 GA June 11 Rep Pres.pdf)		
2	4.1	Status payments of National Member Groups (Encl 2 110601 Payments ND.pdf)	Sent with these notes	
3	4.2	Budget 2011 and 2012 Expenses and Income (Encl 3a 110531 DrExp 11-12.pdf) and Encl 3b 110531 DrInc 11-12.pdf)	Sent with these notes	
4	4.2	Profit & Loss accounts 2010 : Final report of Fiduciaire Duchosal (Encl 4 FIB Audit Report 2010.pdf)	Sent with these notes	



These notes were drafted and originally signed Lausanne, 29 June 2011, by :

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fib Secretary General

As requested by article (11) of the statutes they were then approved and signed by the President and the Deputy-President as given below. Subsequently being sent to all Heads of Delegations they will be considered as a true record if no corrections are proposed within the following 3 months.

Gordon Clark

fib Deputy-President

Budapest, 6 July

György L. Balázs fib President