**GA 2 b - German language group (Germany, Austria, Switzerland)**

Report of the Zoom meeting of July 21st 2020

**Concerning the decision-making GA 3**

**Point 0**

We believe that the host of the Zoom conference must take over the day's presidency because she has the most expertise in zoom technology. For example, we participants cannot see all other participants and we cannot turn off all microphones.

That would be Gabi Varaldi as hostess.

**Point 1**

Who is responsible for the presentation of the delegates and calculates the number of votes?

**Point 2**

This point is not very clear and confusing, because several topics are included. We propose to divide the point into its individual themes:

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| 2 new | Approval of the provisional and virtual elections with 2/3 majority |
| 3 new | Moral Report 2018-20 |
| 4 new | 1. Balance Sheet 2018/19 2. Budget 2020/21 3. Auditors and discharge 4. New categorisation with IDHI |

Proposals and debates from the language groups and commissions should take place at the end under point 9 new "various questions", unless they concern a specific item on the agenda.

**2 new: Approval of the provisional and virtual elections with 2/3 majority**

We propose that the delegates first take the following decision of principle:

Does the General Assembly 3 want digital voting or not? If a 2/3 majority agrees, voting is allowed at the virtual General Assembly, since the delegates are elected representatives of their movements and therefore have a mandate.

The virtual elections remain **provisional** until the next officially convened general assembly, where they can be confirmed, validated.

We consider the 2/3 majority to be very important because it guarantees the protection of minorities, and such a quorum also ensures a higher recognition of the decisions to be taken. The results of the survey show that 27 (out of 33) movements responded (82%); of these, 24 responded with YES (89%) and 3 responded with NO (11%). This high participation shows that we must strive for a high quorum.

**3 new Moral report 2018-20**

We agree with and validate the moral report in its present version.

**4 new: Finances**

We agree with point 4a) "Balance sheet" and 4b) "Budget".

Point 4c) is missing. - With the discharge of the board, actually point 5 "Evaluation of the work of the board " is no longer necessary and can be cancelled.

Concerning point 4d) "New categorisation with IDHI" we propose to repost it until 2022 because we probably do not have enough time to discuss it and should give the movements more time for a careful discussion.

**Point 3 "Elections"**

The order of the individual topics should be improved:

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| 5 new | 1. Elections: Candidates for the Board of Directors BD 2. Elections of the auditors |
| 6 new | Admission of new movements to the FIMEM |
| 7 new | Host country for RIDEF 2024 |

**5 new: Elections**

**5 a): "Candidates for the Board of Directors”**

The German language group would welcome applications from South America and also from Asia.

Not in all cases of applications the internal regulation (section 12) of FIMEM was observed:

When you apply for the first time, you apply for a total of four years. In the case of a subsequent extension for only two years. This should be added on the application form.

We would also like to see two different signatures appear on this form. If, by chance, the candidate is already president of his movement, he would also have to sign for the movement. In this case the second signature should be for example of the vice-president. That will guarantee that a candidate has really been chosen by his movement. This should also be incorporated directly into the form.

By the way, this also applies analogously to the registration as a delegate.

**5 b): Elections of the auditors**

Andi Honegger is standing for re-election. Birgit Gubo is not yet sure. - Otherwise Sylviane Amiet would take office.

**6 new: Admission of new movements to the FIMEM**

We propose that the item "Admission of new movements to the FIMEM" be moved to the RIDEF in Morocco and deleted from the agenda.

A virtual General Assembly does not seem to us to be a good and appropriate framework for the admission of new movements. In addition, it does not seem to be entirely clear whether the "mentor countries" (Sweden and Cameroon) will be able to fulfil their obligation to present the movements at the virtual General Assembly.

In Morocco, on the other hand, both movements can use the RIDEF to present themselves outside the formal framework of the General Assembly and provide further information in personal discussions.

**7 new: Host country for RIDEF 2024**

There is no concrete proposal from the German language group in this regard. We can imagine that it would be good, to contact the Bulgarian movement once again, as it had expressed its interest in 2018.

**8 new: Orientations (outlook)**

The balance of the work of the Executive Board 2018-20 has already been dealt with in the Moral Report (point 3 new). We believe that one should not double work.

**8. a)** However, the 2020-22 outlook of the Board of Directors clearly belongs in this place.

The order of points 1 to 4 should be arranged according to their importance. Point 1 "External Relations" would then come at the end.

**8. b)** Further points from the General Assembly and from the new BD follow.

**New agenda:** Proposal of the German language group

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| 0 | Installation of the day's presidency, the vote counters and the secretaries |
| 1 | Presentation of delegates and number of votes |
| 2 | Approval of the provisional and virtual elections with 2/3 majority |
| 3 | Moral report 2018-20 |
| 4 | Finances |
|  | 1. Balance Sheet 2018/19 |
| 1. Budget 2020/21 |
| 1. Auditors and discharge |
| 1. New categorisation with IDHI |
| 5 | Elections |
|  | 1. Candidates for the CA |
| 1. Auditors |
| 6 | Admission of new movements to the FIMEM |
| 7 | Host country for RIDEF 2024 |
| 8 | Orientations (outlook) |
|  | 1. Orientations 2020-22 of the old Board of Directors BD |
| 1. Orientations 2020-22 of the General Assembly and the new BD |
| 9 | Various questions |

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