

# Minutes of the Ordinary General Assembly of Thursday 10 November 2016.

The Ordinary General Assembly of the International Nuclear Law Association (INLA), convened on 1 August 2016 by its President, Mrs Els Reynaers, took place at the Imperial Hotel, Janpath, 110001 New Delhi, India, on Thursday 6 November 2016. The meeting started at 4.00 p.m.

The President thanked the members present for their participation and opened the meeting.

#### 1. Verification of the guorum (Article 15 and 19 of the Statutes).

The President gave the floor to the Secretary General.

Mr. Patrick Reyners explained that there were 587 members entitled to vote within the Association and thus, the required quorum was 147 members.

As 93 members were present or represented by proxies at the Assembly, the quorum was not reached. As a consequence, the President, as provided under Article 19 of the Statutes, decided to terminate the meeting and to call immediately a new General Assembly, thus enabling to proceed with the matters on the Agenda.

## 2. Adoption of the Agenda.

The President proposed to adopt the Agenda circulated on 1 August 2016.

The Agenda was adopted.

#### Constitution of the General Assembly's Secretariat (Article 18 of the Statutes).

The President designated the Secretary General of INLA, Mr. Patrick Reyners, as Secretary of the General Assembly and proposed Mrs Sidonie Royer-Maucotel and Mr. Lukasz Mlynarkiewicz to assist him with the voting procedure.

The General Assembly approved the designation of these persons to serve as the Secretariat of the Assembly.

### 4. Report on the Activities of the Association.

The President presented on behalf of the Board of Management an activity report covering the period 2015-2016. She expressed her deep appreciation for the help she had received in carrying out her functions and in organizing the congress.

In her activity report to the General Assembly, the President covered several questions of interest: the periodic circulation of an information bulletin - the Update - as a link between INLA members; the revamping of the website as a modern tool of communication on the Association; the action of the Board of Management, the various Working Groups over the past two years.

She also explained that the Board had decided to review the conditions of the INLA Prize competition and to discontinue the circulation of the INLA Directory as an measure of economy and since the new website provided anyway this service.

Another point she raised and which had been discussed within the Board of Management at its meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016, was the fact that this time the number of candidates for the coming election exceeded the statutory limit of 18 Board members. This unusual situation had led the Board of Management to envisage an increase of this number with a view to allow a greater geographical representation of its composition.

The General Assembly took note of the report. It thanked the President and expressed its appreciation to the Board of Management for its accomplishments.

The Secretary also informed the Assembly of the news of the demise of Mr. L. Manning Muntzing, President of INLA in 1998-1999 and organizer of the Congress in Washington in 1999.

#### 5. Report by the Auditors on the account of INLA (Article 15 of the Statutes).

The Secretary read the report of the Auditors, Mr. Dirk Harbrücker and Mr. Luc Phan Van, on their mission of verification of the accounts of the Association, covering the fiscal years 2014 and 2015. The report confirmed that the accounts of the Association were correctly kept and accurate.

The General Assembly expressed its appreciation for the work carried out by the Auditors. The Secretary also noted that Mr. Jansen-Tersteegen and Mr. Phan Van had accepted to act as Auditors over the next two years and were therefore standing for appointment by the General Assembly.

## 6. Approval of the INLA profit and loss account as of 31.12.2015 and of the draft 2016 budget and the tentative 2017/2018 budgets (Article 15 of the Statutes).

The Secretary reminded the participants that such documents had been sent to them on 19 October 2016. Concerning the financial situation, he noted that while it was sound, there was a slight increase in Secretarial costs and there remained persistent difficulty in getting all members to pay their yearly fees.

The budgets concerning the years 2017 and 2018 were necessarily tentative.

The General Assembly approved the Association's accounts and budgets.

#### 7. Statutory Elections (Article 15 of the Statutes).

The Secretary referred to the relevant provisions of the Statutes and of the Terms of Reference of the General Assembly concerning elections. He reminded the Assembly that voting ballots had been made available to INLA members present at the Assembly and entitled to vote. Additional ballots were distributed to bearers of proxies. He also drew again the attention of the members present at the Assembly to the fact that, this time, the number of candidates exceeded the statutory limit of Board members and that, accordingly, participants could only support the election of 18 candidates.

The Secretary then invited the members present to proceed with the voting operation, with the assistance of the Clerks who, after completion of the voting, left the room to count the vote while the Assembly continued its business.

Upon return of the Clerks, the Secretary General announced the results of the election : 93 ballots were counted. 18 candidates were elected as indicated below :

#### **INLA BOARD**

Candidate	Country
ABDEL-AZIZ Ahab	Canada
BEYENS Marc	Belgium
FELDMANN Ulrike	Germany
GÜLEL Abide	Turkey
HERLACH Mark	United States
JAVANAINEN Jyrki	Finland
LAMM Vanda	Hungary
LAVOIE Jacques	Canada
LEGER Marc	France
MACIEL Sara	Mexico
MANOVIL Rafael	Argentina
NOMURA Toyohiro	Japan
POPOV Andrey	Russia
REYNAERS Els	India
RIPOL Santiago	Spain
SALTER lan	United Kingdom
TONHAUSER Wolfram	IAEA
VASQUEZ-MAIGNAN Ximena	OECD/NEA

The Secretary General also confirmed the appointment of Mr. Jansen-Tersteegen and Mr. Phan Van as Auditors.

The members of the newly elected Board of Management withdrew briefly in order to proceed to the election of the President and Vice-Presidents. (Article 20 of the Statutes). Upon their return, the President informed the General Assembly of the following designations:

President

Mr. Jacques Lavoie

**Immediate Past President** 

Mrs Els Reynaers

1st Vice-President

Mr. Marc Beyens

2nd Vice-President

Mr. Mark Herlach

He also informed the General Assembly that Mr. Patrick Reyners had been re-appointed as Secretary General and Scientific Advisor for two years (Article 9 of the Statutes). Mrs Godelieve Vandeputte was also invited to work as a Deputy to the Secretary General to help with the administration of the Association.

The newly elected President, Mr. Jacques Lavoie, thanked the members of the Assembly for their support and confidence and looked forward to meeting again with them in two years from now.

The meeting was adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

Els Reynaers President Patrick Reyners Secretary Sidonie Royer-Maucotel Clerk Lukasz Mlynarkiewicz Clerk