

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
Monday 8 JUNE 2020**

The ordinary General Assembly of the International Nuclear Law Association (INLA) convened by its President, Mr Bill Horin, took place on 8 June 2020. The meeting started at 3:00PM, Paris time.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and the resulting lockdown in many countries, it had been decided that the meeting would be conducted by videoconference, using the Zoom platform. The conference was kindly managed by the OECD Nuclear Energy Agency. The President thanked the participants for joining the meeting and particularly Ms Ximena Vásques-Maignan and her NEA colleagues for their technical support. He opened the meeting.

1. Verification of the quorum (Articles 15 and 19 of the Statutes)

It was explained that such a «virtual» meeting of the General Assembly could take place was made possible under a Belgian Decree N° 4 of 9 April 2020 which expressly authorized international associations like INLA to hold meeting by conference calls or videoconferences.

The President then gave the floor to the Secretary General. Mr Patrick Reyners informed the Assembly that there being 655 members of the Association entitled to participate, the required quorum of a quarter of INLA ordinary members was therefore 164. Since there were 74 registered members at the conference and 17 proxies had been received by the Secretariat, the quorum was not reached.

Accordingly, as provided under Article 19 of the Statutes, the President moved to close the meeting and to call immediately a new General Assembly – with no requirement for a quorum – thus enabling the meeting to proceed with the matters on the Agenda.

Before proceeding, Ms Ximena Vásques-Maignan who was managing the videoconference asked whether the discussions could be recorded. This was accepted.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The President proposed to follow the Agenda contained in the letter of convocation sent on 4 June 2020. The Agenda was adopted.

3. Constitution of the General Assembly's Secretariat

The President designated the Secretary General of INLA, Mr Patrick Reyners, to serve as secretary of the General Assembly and also proposed Ms Godelieve Vandeputte and Ms Anne Braspeninx to assist him. The General Assembly approved these designations.

4. Report on the activities of the Association since the last Assembly.

The President reported on the activities of INLA since the last General Assembly. First, the President expressed overall condolences to the family of our Immediate Past President, Jacques Lavoie, who recently passed away. INLA recognition of Jacques is under consideration by the Board.

With respect to particular activities of the organization since the 2018 General Assembly, the combined Working Groups meeting in Cadarache (May, 2019), the INLA Board meetings held last year in Vienna (December, 2019), and earlier this year (February, 2020) were noted.

Concerning the Inter Jura Congress, to be held in Washington, DC, it has been postponed to October 24-28, 2021. It will remain at the Willard Hotel. With respect to papers and abstracts it was observed that abstracts had been presented when the Congress was to be held in 2020, and those would be carried forward to the 2021 Congress. Details as to the best approach for supplementation, if desired, would be forthcoming. Of course, additional abstracts would be accepted in light of the many developments occurring this year and prior to the 2021 Congress.

The President expressed his appreciation for the Members' patience during these times. He noted that the INLA US Chapter is looking forward to the Congress and is hopeful of a globally smooth transition to support a successful opportunity to gather again.

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

The Secretary General referred to the last report by Mr Luc Phan Van and Mr Marc Roothoof, on their mission of verification of the accounts, covering the fiscal year of 2018. Their report confirmed that the accounts of INLA were correctly kept and accurate. On the other hand, the Secretary General explained that due to the disruption caused by the pandemic, it had not proved possible to arrange the planned meeting of the Auditors to look at the books for the fiscal year 2019. Such a meeting would now take place after summer in principle and the members of INLA would be kept informed of the result.

The General Assembly expressed its appreciation to the Auditors for their contribution.

6. Approval of the INLA Profit and Loss Accounts as well as Balance Sheet as per 31-12-2019, and of the Budget for 2020 and tentative Budget for 2021 [Article 15 of the Statutes]

The Secretary General recalled that INLA members had received by mail on 4 June 2020 the documents listed above.

Concerning the financial situation of the Association, he noted that it was sound; its stability being reflected by the fact that membership fees had not been increased for several years.

The Assembly approved the INLA's statements of accounts and budgets.

7. Extension of the mandate of the members of the Board of Management and Auditors (Article 15 of the Statutes)

The President recalled that on 7 November 2018, in Abu Dhabi, the General Assembly had elected a new board and that their mandate was valid until 31 December 2020. After the postponement of the Washington congress until October 2021 and since Article 16 of the Statutes provided that an ordinary General Assembly must be called at least every two years, the Board of Management had concluded that it was still necessary to hold such meeting before the end of the year. The Board had also concluded that in these rather extraordinary circumstances, the best solution could be to propose to simply extend by one year the term of the current members – with the exception of Jacques Lavoie (Canada) who had died and had not been replaced – that is until 31 December 2021 but in practice until the next General Assembly to be held at the end of the 2021 congress.

The General Assembly approved the extension of the term of the current members of the Board of Management, as indicated below :

INLA BOARD

Board Member	Country
AMEYE Evelyne	Spain
ABDEL-AZIZ Ahab	Canada
BEYENS Marc	Belgium
DOMINGUEZ Cristina	Argentina
FORK William	USA
GÜLEL BIRSEN Abide	Turkey
HORIN William	USA
JANSEN TERSTEGEN Achim	Germany
JAVANAINEN Jyrki	Finland
LAMM Vanda	Hungary
LEGER Marc	France
MACIEL SANCHEZ Sara	Mexico
NOMURA Toyohiro	Japan
REYNAERS Els	India
SALTER Ian	United Kingdom
TONHAUSER Wolfram	IAEA
VASQUEZ-MAIGNAN Ximena	OECD/NEA

For the same reason, it was proposed to extend by one more year the mandate of the Auditors Mr Luc Phan Van and Mr Marc Roothoof. The General Assembly approved the extension.

The President thanked the participants for their support and confidence and he looked forward to the organization of a successful Nuclear Inter Jura congress in 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM Paris time.

Bill Horin
President

Patrick Reyners
Secretary

Godelieve Vandeputte
Clerk

Anne Braspenninx
Clerk