

## PROPOSAL 1

The Executive Committee proposes changes of ISCA Statutes specifying the Secretary General as legal representative.

### Background

Some of the financial partners and donors require that the person signing such agreements on behalf of ISCA is explicit defined as 'legal representative'.

The praxis of today is that the Executive Committee and President have delegated the responsibility to sign contracts and project agreements to the Secretary General. However, some donors require are more specific delegation of this responsibility.

We therefore suggest that we adjust the ISCA Statutes in a way that the Secretary General can act as legal representative without minimizing the political and leadership responsibility of the Executive Committee.

Attached you will find a proposal where current Statute text is in frame and new text is **bold red**. The proposal includes changes in Statutes §5, §9 and §10.

## PROPOSAL

### Current text

#### 5. Executive Committee

##### § 5.1

The Association shall be governed, between General Assemblies, by an Executive Committee which is responsible to the General Assembly.

##### § 5.2

The Executive Committee shall consist of eight persons elected by the General Assembly:

- President
- Two Vice-Presidents
- Five other members
- The chairperson of each continental committee will also be part of the Executive Committee

In the case of a continental chairman being elected for the Executive Committee, a substitute delegate will be provided.

The Youth Committee will appoint a spokesperson to partake in the meetings of the Executive Committee.

##### § 5.3

The eight elected Executive Committee members shall be elected for a period of two years.

##### § 5.4

Every second year there is a vote for the President, two Vice-Presidents and the five members of the Executive Committee.

§ 5.5

The Executive Committee shall meet at least twice a year, with a minimum of four weeks written notice.

§ 5.6

Quorum for an Executive Committee meeting shall be half the committee plus one person.

As a Principle of striving towards a geographical balance:

- a) No country or organisation can have more than two members elected to the Executive Committee.
- b) The President or any of the Vice-Presidents shall not represent the same country, region or organization

§ 5.7

The Executive Committee may appoint sub-committees to assist in the work of the Association.

§ 5.8

Any member of the Executive Committee must be a member of an affiliated organisation.

## **New text**

**(Addition of new § 5.9 and § 5.19)**

**§ 5.9**

**The Executive Committee shall between the General Assemblies act on the decisions, priorities and strategies decided by the General Assembly.**

**§ 5.10**

**The Executive Committee appoints the Secretary General and collaborate with the Secretary General to implement the decisions of the General Assembly.**

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## **Current text**

### **9. Role and Duties of the President**

§ 9.1

The President shall have the authority to speak on behalf of the Association, in as much as he/she is answerable to the Executive Committee and the General Assembly.

§ 9.2

The President will preside over all Executive Committee meetings and the General Assembly.

§ 9.3

The President will have the overall responsibility for the general running of the Association between Executive Committee meetings.

§ 9.4

The President determines the agenda for Executive Committee meetings and for the General Assembly.

§ 9.5

In case of parity of votes at either an Executive Committee meeting or a General Assembly, the President shall have the casting vote.

§ 9.6

The longest serving Vice-President within his or her election period shall deputise for the President in his absence and shall then carry out all functions normally undertaken by the President.

## New text

(Change in § 9.3)

§ 9.3

The President have the overall responsibility **towards the General Assembly that the Executive Committee and Secretary General operate on the decisions, priorities and strategies decided by the General Assembly.**

## Current text

### 10. Role and Duties of the Secretary-General

§ 10.1

The Executive Committee appoints a Secretary-General who, with reference to the President, is responsible for the running of the administration of the Association

§ 10.2

Secretary-General will attend the meetings of the Executive Committee, but without voting rights.

§ 10.3

The Secretary-General will be responsible for keeping financial records.

## New text

(Merge of 10.1 and 10.3. New § 10.2, 10.3, 10.4. And current § 10.2 is new § 10.2)

### 10. Role and Duties of the Secretary-General

§ 10.1

The Executive Committee appoints a Secretary General who, with reference to the President, is responsible for the running of the Association **and keeping the financial records.**

**§ 10.2**

**The Secretary General should lead the secretariat on the basis of the decisions, priorities and strategies decided by the General Assembly.**

**§ 10.3**

**The Secretary General has the task, in collaboration with the Executive Committee to implement the decisions of the General Assembly.**

**§ 10.4**

**The Secretary General is therefore Legal Representative of the Association, and is as such answerable to the Executive Committee.**

**§ 10.5**

Secretary-General will attend the meetings of the Executive Committee, but without voting rights.