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Control Commission report

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Members of Control Commission

Itziar Quiros (ESPLAC) - Chair
Christina Schauer (Österreichische Kinderfreunde)
Yaara Mizrachi (Hashomar Hatzair) - resigned March 2017

Control Commission meetings

September 2016 - July 2017

From September 2016 till July 2017 (IC meeting in Portorož) Control Commission met in total nine times, out of which four times have been face-to-face.

July 2017 - June 2018

From July 2017 until June 2018 CC met seven times out of which two times were face-to-face.

10. Control Commission - October 2017, Skype

- Yaara Mizrachi
- Christina Schauer

11. Control Commission - November 2017, Brussels

- Isi Quiros
- Christina Schauer
- Ingrid De Kock (Office Secretary)
- Carly Walker-Dawson (Secretary General)

12. Control Commission - November 2017, Skype

- Yaara Mizrachi
- Christina Schauer

13. Control Commission - December 2017, Skype

- Yaara Mizrachi
- Christina Schauer
- Carly Walker Dawson (Secretary General)





14. Control Commission - March 2018, Brussels

- Isi Quiros
- Christina Schauer
- Ingrid De Kock (Office Secretary)
- Carly Walker-Dawson (Secretary General)

15. Control Commission - April 2018, Skype

- Isi Quiros
- Christina Schauer

16. Control Commission - May 2018, Skype

- Isi Quiros
- Christina Schauer

Since the 13 March the Control Commission has only consisted of two people (Isi Quiros and Christina Schauer), due to the resignation of Yaara Mizrachi.

General work of Control Commission

The Control Commission is in regular contact with the Secretary General and the IFM-SEI Secretariat, as well as with Presidium. At least one of the team answers regularly and as fast as possible. Delays in responding do not occur regularly and are exceptions.

We aim to make the member organisations aware about their situations and remind them regular about their circumstances and are open for discussion.

Membership fee income situation

2016 - 2017

In 2017 we had an income through membership fees about 73,280€. This is an increase of 7% to 2016 where we had an income of 68,240€ through membership fee (according to the balance sheet 2017).

2018

If all membership fees that were invoiced in 2018 were paid, IFM-SEI would have a total income of 73,110€ from membership fees, however only 62,000€ was budgeted as the anticipated amount foreseen to be received. This means that only the 84% of the total amount invoiced was budgeted.



Of this total, 11.5% is meant to be the income from solidarity component - which means around 8,000€. This 2018, five organisations asked to be exempted to pay the solidarity component, what amounts to be around 900€ that won't be getting as an income. For the security of the movement, it is very important that member organisations pay the solidarity component, because a loss of 8,000€ would be very significant for the movement.

At time of writing, only 24 out of 45 organisations have paid their membership fee for 2018, which is a total of 58,308€. In accordance with the budget, 88% of the budgeted membership fees this year are already covered, but in accordance with what IFM-SEI is supposed to get as an income for membership fees only about 80% have been received.

It is also needed to take into account that:

- There are only 20 out of 45 organisations which have no outstanding debt at all (including project debt and previous years)
- 13 member organisations still have outstanding membership fees from other years
- 8 member organisations already have an agreement with the Control Commission
- 6 member organisations are in contact with the Control Commission to get an agreement or renew an agreement
- 3 member organisations have been contacted by Control Commission or the Secretary General with no response
- 2 member organisations have other debts that are not from membership fees

Member organisations that have membership fee debts from 2016

As it is said in the article 3.3.2. of our Constitution:

‘Where membership fees remain unpaid for more than two years from the due date, the Congress or International Committee shall consider the circumstances and may terminate an organisation's membership.’

Currently there are five organisations in this situation. Control Commission has contacted all of them to let them know their situation and to try to get an agreement, so they won't face a potential expulsion. These organisations are:

- Manque Chile: They answered the Control Commission explaining that they are under a changeover process in their board and once this board will be elected they will discuss how to solve that



- Georgian Falcons: Even though they have a debt of 890€, only 20€ is from 2016. It is planned that they will pay 60€ at the next seminar (in advance of the International Committee 2018)
- Mentés en Acción (Honduras): Since then we had no answer about how they want to proceed
- Mundo Nuevo (Peru): Control Commission and Mundo Nuevo made an agreement in 2017 that was not accomplished. The organisation has paid the majority of their 2016 debt but there is still 9€ outstanding. An agreement is needed.
- UJSARIO: There has been communication but still no agreement

Member organisations that have other debts

- Nueva Generación (Bolivia): 613.14€ - flight missed by a participant in a seminar in April 2017
- Hashomer Hatzair (Israel): 269.36€ - flight missed by Control Commission member to attend to a CC meeting in November 2017

Conclusion from the Control Commission

IFM-SEI is still depending on many funds, which need to be applied for. This means that it is never sure if there is money to operate and work. That is why we want to make you once again aware about the importance about your membership fees being paid. They do not cover anywhere near IFM-SEI's budget nor would it be able to continue with the current great work it's already doing only on that alone, but it strengthens the organisation in its daily business and makes still a great contribution to it. So we want to empower you to pay your membership fee including the solidarity component to support IFM-SEI.

The numbers above show clearly that many member organisations are struggling to pay the annual membership fee. Due to this we want to remind you that solidarity is not just a word part of our Aims and Principles but it should also be an action between the member organisations of IFM-SEI and that is why we encourage you to establish partnerships and collaborate between each other. We would like to highlight that three financially stronger organisations supported the membership fee of other organisations in 2018 and we encourage this sort of solidarity.

In case you would struggle to pay your membership fee or your debt, we are happy if you got into contact with Control Commission to discuss possibilities of paying it off. We will do our best to support you as much as possible in finding a solution.

