# International Committee 2018/17



15-16 June 2018 Brussels, Belgium Presidium report

# Presidium report

During the year 2017-18 - since International Committee 2017 - two of the Presidium only completed partial terms due to inactivity:

- Sylvia Siqueira Campos President (July 2017-March 2018)
- Mame Diarra Ndour Africa Region (July 2017-November 2018)

The individual reports can be seen for the remaining Presidium members below (in order of region by alphabetical order). Statistics for engagement are included for all Presidium members as of July 2017.

# Sylvia Siqueira Campos - President

Meetings attended: 25% - 1/4
Reports submitted: 0% - 0/3
Email threads responded to: 22% - 20/90

No report requested due to no longer being a member of Presidium.

## Mame Diarra Ndour - Africa Region

Meetings attended: 0% - 0/2
Reports submitted: 0% - 0/2
Email threads responded to: 0% - 0/48

No report requested due to no longer being a member of Presidium.

# Mamadou Mbow - Africa Region

Meetings attended: 40% - 2/5

Reports submitted: 50% - 2/4 (both submitted late)

Email threads responded to: 9% - 11/121

# No report submitted



# Tara Damanik - Asia Region

Meetings attended: 40% - 2/5

Reports submitted: 25% - 1/4 (submitted late)

Email threads responded to: 10% - 12/121

No report submitted.

# Nisha Vasava - Asia Region

Meetings attended: 20% - 1/5
Reports submitted: 0% - 0/4
Email threads responded to: 6% - 7/121

No report submitted.





## Heidi Niemi - Europe Region

Meetings attended: 100% - 5/5

Reports submitted: 50% - 2/4 (both submitted late)

Email threads responded to: 71% - 86/121

#### Report 2017-18 submitted by Heidi:

Email activity: I respond to presidium emails often and try to lead the conversation forward.

European Falcon Network (EFN): In Utøya we had a small EFN meeting to catch up and besides that I have been little involved in planning and applying process for the EFN meeting. Also tried to communicate with European member organisations.

Capacity building: I had a Skype with potential new European member organisation called TOKA Kosovo. This was done with Carly Walker-Dawson.

Communications developer interviews: I had an active role by shortlisting and interviewing the applicants for communications developers and in the end selecting one. Interviews were held with Carly Walker-Dawson and the decision was made by Presidium.

On The Move resource feedback: I gave feedback on the final copy of the resource as part of our two-year project on migration, refugees, visas and regional youth work.

Rainbow Network: I have been the in contact with active individuals in Rainbow Network and trying to make it active again. We had successful Rainbow Network meeting in Istanbul in March 2018.

European Youth Forum (YFJ): I participated for two YFJ events as the IFM-SEI representative - the Council of Members (COMEM) in November 2017 and April 2018.

Willy Brandt Conference - Youth Against Extremism: I participated in this activity at Utøya and I ran a workshop there, with the title How should we talk about terrorism?.

Proud and visible seminar: I participated in this activity and moderated a panel discussion about How are people from marginalised groups disproportionately affected by migration?.

Adultism seminar: I have been planning the Adultism seminar that is part of our work plan for this mandate. Seminar will be held in Participation Island in July!





#### Bine Troitzsch - Europe Region

Meetings attended: 80% - 4/5 (one meeting partial attendance)

Reports submitted: 50% - 2/4 (both submitted late)

Email threads responded to: 56% - 68/121

# Report 2017-18 submitted by Bine:

For two years I have been part of the IFM-SEI Presidium and there have been ups and downs in our personal commitment and how we worked as a team, but I think that we managed to bring many important issues forward. From the feedback that we received on the last International Committee meeting, I will try to specify my role in Presidium since July 2017 and indicate some areas I have been working on inside the movement.

I attended 4/5 presidium meetings since the last International Committee meeting in Slovenia. Due to family issues I could not attend the seminar at Utøya, but I was partly present online. Heidi and I prepared a workshop together on terrorism and how we can find left answers to it, which she facilitated. During Presidium meetings I took over tasks and tried to bring things forward.

I took the lead of a big chunk of IFM-SEI's capacity building section in the work plan. We merged three projects into one big strategy - Reach Out. The working group consists of seven people from three world regions. There will be a big seminar in Barcelona in May 2018 with the aim to build bilateral among IFM-SEI organisations and I helped to draft the application. We are working on establishing a Pool of Trainers and exchanged first ideas about an IFM-SEI membership campaign. The focus group had two online meetings so far.

In March 2018 I assisted Carly in interviewing for the position of the new IFM-SEI Project Officer. I supported Woodcraft Folk and the IFM-SEI Secretariat in encouraging member organisations to be part of the Erasmus+ grant to have a European Falcon Network (EFN) meeting in the UK. We applied twice and both times the applications were good and scored high but due to a big completion and a not so high amount of funding, we ended up on the reserve list at the British National Agency. At the regional meeting in Brussels in June 2018 we will decide together with our European members, how we can proceed further with an EFN meeting.

Heidi and I have given a short feedback to the On The Move toolkit, which will be published in May 2018, which tackles the big topics of migration and visa obstacles. Also I am in informal contact with Leo Lagrange, a kids and youth movement from France, who are former a member organisation in IFM-SEI.





#### Ronald Salas - Latin America

Meetings attended: 60% - 3/5 (one meeting partial attendance)

Reports submitted: 25% - 1/4 (submitted late)

Email threads responded to: 42% - 51/121

#### Report 2017-18 submitted by Ronald:

I attended Presidium meeting and seminar in Utøya, where I prepared and facilitated a workshop on how to challenge extremism and violence from youth perspective.

In January 2018 I supported the educational team of On The Move in Lima, where I delivered and facilitated some workshops. I contacted members to forward the call to participate in OTM due to absence of Milavf. I got communication with Manque, Integridad, TOGETHER WITH SECRETARIAT OFFICE, and Cachorros to facilitate information.

From December 2017 to February 2018 I talked with members from NUEVA GENERACION, MANQUE, INTEGRIDAD, ACACIA about their issues regarding: Acacia questions on membership review, Integridad: lack of participation, Nueva Generacion: issue on missing flight. Manque: outstanding fees. Our talks were mainly informal through Facebook, mail, call and informal chat as I had already consulted Presidium to do it so.

At the moment I together with Karlha Villavicencio, we are motivating Members who were part of OTM start communication and discussions online. Arranging meetings and foreseeing the set up of common project.

I attended Presidium meeting in Vienna, where among other tasks I am currently working on the making of the study session on process of peace in Latin-America to be carried out by April 2019.









#### Karlha Villavicencio Barrantes - Latin America

Meetings attended: 80% - 4/5

Reports submitted: 25% - 1/4 (submitted late)

Email threads responded to: 26% - 32/121

# Report 2017-18 submitted by Karlha:

# Presidium meetings:

• 8/2017 Utøya

• 2/2018 Online

• 2/2018 Online (extraordinary)

4/2018 Vienna

Communication with the region: Having contact with them thought emails, sometime via informal ways like WhatsApp, Facebook or video calls. In this side we need to work more because we are not having a good communication between all the organisations.

Advocacy in children's rights: It has two parts. The first one is the consultation that consist in get all the information about the topic from the movements. In the IC meeting you will find an application form to fill in. The second part is to develop a strategic plan in advocacy of children's right.

Latin America meeting online: In the last On The Move meeting we agreed to have a Latin American online meeting with them and including the other organisations to develop a project together as a region. This meeting would take place at the end of May 2018.

Nueva Generación issue (flight missed): I talked with the organisation about the issue and persuade them to communicate with CC and get an agreement.

ACACIA's situation: We elaborate a formal letter to explain all the movements about every action talked and how the situation developed since the very beginning.









#### Dani Efrati - Middle East

Meetings attended: 80% - 4/5
Reports submitted: 25% - 1/4
Email threads responded to: 28% - 34/121

#### Report 2017-18 submitted by Dani:

#### REGIONAL

The aim of IFM-SEI Middle East regional process, ongoing for 10 years, is to set a common role for the socialist youth movements of the region. We aim to build a civil society on both sides of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, which will be truly able to hold a peace process, not as politicians but as educators. This process is implementing the idea of circles of influence - a regional leading group with members from all the movements trains itself and later trains wider circle of leaders from the different movements, which in turn spread the educational outcome in the movements and through the movements we influence the society around us.

This is what we did in the past year:

- 1. We set up a new regional leading group, with members from NOAL, IYU, Hashomer Hatza'ir and Ajyal, with the help of a new coordinator from WBC.
- 2. The new leading group met 4 times so far:
  - a. 3 one-day meetings in Beit Jalla and Jerusalem
  - b. A 5-day seminar split between KLH and Berlin, hosted by the comrades of SJD Die Falken.

#### **WORKPLAN**

The topic I focused on this year from the IFM-SEI work plan for 2016-2019 is creating guidelines for combatting anti-Semitism, Islamophobia and racism inside our international movement. This document will help up be the change we want to be in the world, as a multi-cultural international movement.

# Ola Qawasmi - Middle East

Meetings attended: 20% - 1/5
Reports submitted: 25% - 1/4
Email threads responded to: 15% - 18/121

# No report submitted

