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**Draft minutes IC 2018**

## Draft minutes International Committee 2018 - Brussels, Belgium

### Present:

#### Presidium/Control Commission

Carly Walker-Dawson	IFM-SEI Secretary General
Mamadou Mbow	Presidium member Africa
Heidi Niemi	Presidium member Europe
Bine Troitzsch	Presidium member Europe
Dani Efrati	Presidium member Middle East
Isi Pérez Quirós	Control Commission Chair
Christina Schauer	Control Commission

#### Delegates

Anush Novhannisyan	Armenian Youth Federation - Armenia
Daniel Bohmann	Kinderfreunde/Rote Falken - Austria
Hannah Czernohorszky	Kinderfreunde/Rote Falken - Austria
Klaus Schöngruber	Kinderfreunde/Rote Falken - Austria
Anna Wegscheider	Kinderfreunde/Rote Falken - Austria
Thomas Wengler	Kinderfreunde/Rote Falken - Austria
Rudy de Waele	Rode Valken - Belgium
Eduard Fernando Martinez	Esplais Catalans - Catalonia
Shes Paez Gularte	Esplais Catalans - Catalonia
Caterina Pedragal Corbatera	Esplais Catalans - Catalonia
Xavi Planas Alonso	Esplais Catalans - Catalonia
Irene Torrecilla Camps	Esplais Catalans - Catalonia
Anna Mindlová	Pionyr - Czech Republic
Honza Paulik	Pionyr - Czech Republic
Mie Jørgensen	DUI-LEG og VIRKE - Denmark
Mia Jul	DUI-LEG og VIRKE - Denmark
Tipsu Bazouleva	Nuoret Kotkat - Finland
Soili Sirenne	Nuoret Kotkat - Finland
Sebastian Feist	SJD-Die Falken - Germany
Jana Herrmann	SJD-Die Falken - Germany
Oli Pohl	SJD-Die Falken - Germany
Helen Rademakers	SJD-Die Falken - Germany





Tamar Levi  
Else-Marie Aarsheim  
Tonje Tovik  
Alex Sigal  
Beatriz Zavala  
Martin Campos Ramirez  
Stella V. Grahek  
Pia Zevnik  
Timmy Nyberg  
Solin Bizsel  
Baturay Göksular  
Frankie Marsh  
Tamsin Pearce  
Aggie Taylor  
Mohamed Adda  
Fatima Ihsaina Ichijej

NOAL - Israel  
Framfylkingen - Norway  
Framfylkingen - Norway  
Framfylkingen - Norway  
CHAP - Peru  
Mundo Nuevo - Peru  
Slovenian Falcons - Slovenia  
Slovenian Falcons - Slovenia  
Unga Örnar - Sweden  
ASD - Turkey  
ASD - Turkey  
Woodcraft Folk - UK  
Woodcraft Folk - UK  
Woodcraft Folk - UK  
UJSARIO - Western Sahara  
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### Guests

Viviana Bartolucci  
Carina Autengruber  
Tuulia Pitkänen  
Mostafa Abbas  
Lesia Radelicki  
Conny Reuter  
Eugeni Brigneti Masgrau  
Jacqui Cottyn  
Andy Piercy

Arciragazzi - Italy  
European Youth Forum  
Young European Socialists  
Oyoun Masr Association - Egypt  
PES Women  
Solidar  
Solidar (translator)  
Veteran - Belgium  
Veteran - UK

### Secretariat

Basak Van Hove  
Ingrid de Kock  
George Smart

Project Coordinator  
Office Secretary (minutes)  
Long-term Volunteer

## 1. Opening of the meeting

Bine Troitzsch and Heidi Niemi open the meeting.

### i. Opening speeches

Opening speeches are given by:

- Carly Walker-Dawson - IFM-SEI Secretary General





- Tuulia Pitkänen - YES Secretary General
- Lesia Radelicki - PES Women Coordinator
- Carina Autengruber - European Youth Forum Vice President
- Conny Reuter - SOLIDAR Secretary General

**ii. Roll call and vote distribution**

The Control Commission distributes 22 votes in the first roll call.

**iii. Adoption of the agenda**

One addition is approved to be added to the agenda:

- 5.4. Membership issues - membership review of Fundación Acacia (Colombia)

One addition is not approved to be added to the agenda:

- 10. Any other business - Membership fees system

*The IC adopts the agenda with the agreed addition to agenda item 5.4.*

**iv. Adoption of Rules of Procedure**

According to the Rules of Procedure (2016), nominations from the floor must be accompanied by the signatures of seven full member organisations. It is proposed to remove word 'full' member organisations from Article 8 of the Rules of Procedure.

*The IC removes the word 'full' from Article 8 of the Rules of Procedure.*

*The IC accepts the Rules of Procedure.*

**v. Adoption of the minutes of IFM-SEI Congress 2016 and International Committee 2017**

*The IC adopts the Minutes of the IFM-SEI Congress 2016 and the IC 2017.*

**Election of a counting committee**

The following delegates are proposed for the counting committee:

- Alex Sigal - Framfylkingen
- Martin Campos - Mundo Nuevo
- Aggie Taylor - Woodcraft Folk



*The IC elects the proposed counting committee.*

## **2. Reports**

### **i. Financial report**

Carly Walker-Dawson (Secretary General) presents the financial report for 2017.

*The IC approves the financial report.*

### **ii. Control Commission report**

Isi Pérez Quirós (Control Commission Chair) presents the Control Commission report.

### **iii. Activity report**

Carly Walker-Dawson (Secretary General) presents the activity report since the International Committee 2017. Questions and comments are raised around the Middle East Cooperation, lack of participants for some activities and a deficit of Latin American members in the Governance Review Group.

### **iv. Presidium reports**

All Presidium members in attendance present their work they did since the International Committee 2017. A discussion takes place about the monitoring of the emails engagement and the necessity to include this information in the Presidium report. It is expressed that there is disappointment because of the lack of support from IFM-SEI Presidium regarding the political situation in Catalonia.

## **3. Governance review workshop (in parallel)**

Two parallel sessions of candidates meet and greet are delivered by Tipsu Bazouleva and Thomas Wengler.

## **4. Candidates meet and greet (in parallel)**

Two parallel sessions of candidates meet and greet are delivered by Heidi Niemi.





## Roll call

***The IC agrees to give one vote to Armenian Youth Federation following a membership fee agreement being made with Control Commission.***

## **5. Regional meetings**

Regional meetings take place in parallel delivered by regional Presidium members and members of the IFM-SEI secretariat.

## **6. Membership issues**

### **i. Membership upgrade requests**

- Association for Social Democracy (Turkey)

A presentation is given by the delegates of ASD (Turkey). The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a positive recommendation for the upgrade request of ASD (Turkey).

***The IC unanimously accepts ASD (Turkey) as a full member of IFM-SEI.***

### **ii. Candidate membership applications**

- Girls Excel (Cameroon)

A presentation is given by Carly Walker-Dawson (Secretary General) on behalf of Girls Excel (Cameroon). The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a positive recommendation for the candidate membership request of Girls Excel (Cameroon).

***The IC unanimously accepts Girls Excel (Cameroon) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI.***

- Oyoum Masr Association for Cultural and Social Development (Egypt)

A presentation is given by Mostafa Abbas of OMA (Egypt). The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a positive recommendation for the candidate membership request of OMA (Egypt).

***The IC accepts OMA (Egypt) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 22 votes in favour and 4 abstentions.***





- Ivory Coast Socialist Youth Federation (Ivory Coast)

The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a negative recommendation for the candidate membership request of Ivory Coast Socialist Youth Federation (Ivory Coast).

***The IC rejects of Ivory Coast Socialist Youth Federation (Ivory Coast) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 26 votes against.***

- Volunteer Action for Change Kenya (Kenya)

The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a negative recommendation for the candidate membership request of Volunteer Action for Change Kenya (Kenya).

***The IC rejects Volunteer Action for Change Kenya (Kenya) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 26 votes against.***

- Centre for Girls and Interaction (Malawi)

The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a negative recommendation for the candidate membership request of Centre for Girls and Interaction (Malawi).

***The IC rejects Centre for Girls and Interaction (Malawi) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 24 votes against and 2 abstentions.***

- Rwanda Youth in Action Organization (Rwanda)

The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a negative recommendation for the candidate membership request of Rwanda Youth in Action Organization (Rwanda).

***The IC rejects Rwanda Youth in Action Organization (Rwanda) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 15 votes against, 4 votes in favour and 8 abstentions but encourages them to apply again in future.***

Member organisations commit to supporting the organisation in their work with an aim for them to apply for membership again in the future.

#### Roll Call

***ASD (Turkey) is issued one vote following their acceptance as a full member of IFM-SEI. CHAP (Peru) is issued 2 votes following the payment of their membership fee debt.***



- Seeds Association for Development and Culture ‘Bothoor’ (Palestine)

A video presentation by Seeds Association for Development and Culture ‘Bothoor’ is shown. The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a positive recommendation for the candidate membership request of OMA (Egypt).

***The IC accepts Seeds Association for Development and Culture ‘Bothoor’ (Palestine) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 28 votes in favour and 1 abstention.***

- Association pour la Lutte Contre L'intimidation en Milieu Scolaire (Senegal)

The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a negative recommendation for the candidate membership request of ALCIMS (Senegal).

***The IC rejects ALCIMS (Senegal) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 24 votes against and 5 abstentions but encourages them to apply again in future.***

The Africa Region commits to supporting the organisation to develop their work with an aim for them to apply for membership again in the future.

- Society to Heighten Awareness of Women and Children Abuse (Nigeria)

The IC deems there is a lack of information on which to take a decision on the SOTHAWACA (Nigeria) membership application.

***The IC rejects SOTHAWACA (Nigeria) as a candidate member of IFM-SEI with 16 votes against, 4 votes in favour and 9 abstentions.***

The IC tasks the IFM-SEI Presidium to meet with the organisation to get to know them better and to invite them to the next African Falcon Network meeting.

### **iii. Membership expulsions**

It is clarified that all decisions taken at this meeting need ratification at the IFM-SEI Congress in 2019.

- Manque Chile (Chile)

Manque (Chile) is considered for expulsion based on outstanding membership fees. The IC is informed that a new board has recently been elected and they have expressed



commitment to resolving their debts. The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a negative recommendation for the expulsion of Manque Chile (Chile).

***The IC votes unanimously against the expulsion of Manque Chile (Chile) from IFM-SEI.***

- Mentés en Acción (Honduras)

Mentés en Acción (Honduras) is considered for expulsion based on outstanding membership fees. The IC is informed that there is no active communication with Mentés en Acción (Honduras). The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a positive recommendation for the expulsion of Mentés en Acción (Honduras).

***The IC votes unanimously in favour of the expulsion of Manque Chile (Chile) from IFM-SEI.***

- Palestine Red Crescent Society (Palestine)

PRCS (Palestine) is considered for expulsion based on being a candidate member for longer than three years. It is reported by the IFM-SEI Presidium that a visit to the organisation took place and the organisation expressed willingness to upgrade their membership to full members however no upgrade request has been received. The IFM-SEI Presidium issues a positive recommendation for the expulsion of PRCS (Palestine).

***The IC votes against of the expulsion of PRCS (Palestine) from IFM-SEI with 22 votes against, 2 votes in favour and 4 abstentions.***

#### **iv. Membership review of Fundación Acacia (Colombia)**

A letter from former members of Fundación Acacia is received during the meeting and distributed to delegates. The Control Commission Chair presents the process and outcomes of the ad-hoc committee conducting the membership review of Fundación Acacia. It is noted that there has been no direct communication with the alleged legal representative of Fundación Acacia.

Five proposals are offered to the IC:

- No further action
- Expulsion
- One year to evidence democratic structures and group work
- Renew ad-hoc committee
- Other options open to the floor





***The IC votes in favour of the expulsion of Fundación Acacia (Colombia) from IFM-SEI with 25 votes in favour and 3 abstentions.***

The IC supports the former members of Fundación Acacia to form a new organisation.

## **7. Resolutions**

### **i. Resolution on Pool of Representatives**

Amendment 1 - SJD-Die Falken (Germany)

Delete: , especially in Europe,

***The IC approves amendment 1 to the Resolution on Pool of Representatives.***

Amendment 2 - SJD-Die Falken (Germany)

Delete: using the Europass format

***The IC approves amendment 2 to the Resolution on Pool of Representatives.***

Amendment 3 - SJD-Die Falken (Germany)

Add: The representatives will be chosen by the presidium.

After: This resolution commits to the creation of the Pool of Representatives to be launched in September 2018.

***The IC approves amendment 3 to the Resolution on Pool of Representatives.***

***The IC unanimously approves the Resolution on Pool of Representatives***

### **ii. Resolution on Definition of Membership**

Amendment 1 - Kinderfreunde Rote Falken (Austria)

Add: and/or •Who is regularly paying a membership fee and thereby declaring themselves as a member of the organisation.

After: • Board members

Amendment 2 - Woodcraft Folk (UK)

Add: External

Before: supporter of the organisation and or members of a fraternal organisation





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***The IC approves amendments 1 and 2 to the Resolution on Definition of Membership with 25 votes in favour and 3 votes against.***

It is clarified that membership size, and thus the number of voting, will be submitted on a trust based system.

***The IC approves Resolution on Definition of Membership with 26 votes in favour and 3 votes against.***





### iii. Resolution on European Elections 2019

Amendment 1 - SJD-Die Falken (Germany)

Delete: We would like to take this opportunity to launch a campaign on voter engagement in the run up to the European Elections not only with a focus on the elections themselves, but also on voting on local and national level for IFM-SEI members in countries inside and outside of the EU27. This campaign would also lobby for:

Replace with: We would like to promote the campaign of the European Youth Forum for the European election 2019 or other organizations which we associate with. Especially on voting on local and national level for IFM-SEI members in countries inside Europe. Focus of our work should be:

Amendment 2 - SJD-Die Falken (Germany)

Delete: This resolution commits to the creation of a campaign on voter engagement and democratic participation in the run up to the European Elections 2019.

***The IC approves amendments 1 and 2 to the Resolution on European Elections 2019 with 25 votes in favour and 4 abstentions.***

Amendment 3A - Esplais Catalans (Catalonia)

Delete: socialist and socialist democratic

Replace with: progressive and left

***The IC approves amendment 3A to the Resolution on European Elections 2019 with 13 votes in favour, 6 votes against and 10 abstentions.***

Amendment 3B - Esplais Catalans (Catalonia)

Delete: socialist

Replace with: egalitarian

***The IC rejects amendment 3B to the Resolution on European Elections 2019 with 22 votes against, 2 votes in favour and 5 abstentions.***

Amendment 4 - Esplais Catalans (Catalonia)

Delete: • Votes at 16

Replace with: • The Votes at 16 campaign • Voting rights for all

***The IC approves amendment 4 to the Resolution on European Elections 2019 with 17 votes in favour, 2 votes against and 10 abstentions.***



*The IC approves Resolution on European Elections 2019 with 28 votes in favour and 1 abstention.*

## **8. Congress 2019 preparations**

### **i. Call for hosts**

An appeal is launched to all organisations to host the XXVIII Ordinary Congress of IFM-SEI in 2019 and member organisations can apply until the end of September.

### **ii. Congress Commissions**

An appeal is launched seeking for interested people to form the Nominations Commission and the Resolutions and Work Plan Commission for the XXVIII Ordinary Congress of IFM-SEI in 2019.

### **iii. Extraordinary International Committee 2018 (virtual)**

An online International Committee will take place provisionally on 4 December 2018. More information will follow through official channels.

## **9. Presidium and Control Commission elections**

The Control Commission Chair explains the voting procedure. Christina Schauer resigns from her position as a Control Commission member.

### **i. Candidates for President**

Christina Schauer from Kinderfreunde Rote Falken (Austria) presents their candidacy to the IC.

*The IC unanimously elects Christina Schauer as President of IFM-SEI.*

### **ii. Candidates for Presidium members**

The following candidates present their candidacies:

- Amy Dayte - Action Enfance (Senegal)
- Ellen Lindsey Awuku - Youth Advocates Ghana (Ghana)
- Sebastian Feist - SJD-Die Falken (Germany)



***The IC unanimously elects Ellen Lindsey Awuku as Presidium member for the Africa Region.***

***The IC elects Sebastian Feist as Presidium member for the Europe Region with 25 votes in favour and 4 abstentions.***

**iii. Candidates for Control Commission**

The following candidates present their candidacies:

- Mie Jørgensen - DUI-LEG og VIRKE (Denmark)
- Jure Štajnbaher - Slovenian Falcons Union (Slovenia)

A secret ballot is requested and prepared.

***The IC elects Mie Jørgensen as a Control Commission member with 20 votes in favour and 9 abstentions.***

***The IC elects Jure Štajnbaher as a Control Commission member with 25 votes in favour and 4 abstentions.***

## **10. Common Ground 2020**

Common Ground 2020 is the next IFM-SEI international camp taking place on 1-11 August 2020.

Location: Kent Showground, Kent, UK

Cost: £205 for ten days or £120 for five days

Theme: International solidarity and friendship

**i. Common Ground presentation**

Frankie Marsh presents Common Group 2020.

**ii. Common Ground board election**

It is decided that every member of the IC would have a vote in the board elections. Jess Gallardo Sanchez's candidacy is presented by video.

***The IC unanimously elects Jess Gallardo Sanchez as a member of the Common Ground 2020 board.***





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### 11. Any other business

Fatima Ihsaina Ichjei from UJSARIO (Western Sahara) thanks Esplais Catalans for the solidarity support in paying their membership fee and presents the work of UJSARIO.

Kinderfreunde Rote Falken (Austria) invites all member organisations to their international summer camp in July 2019 to celebrate 70 years of the campsite in Döbriach.

### 12. Closing of the meeting by IFM-SEI President

Christina Schauer, the newly elected Presidium, closes the IC.

