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Background

In the recent past the IFM-SEI has undergone a significant crisis. Although through tireless engagement of countless of you, the worst could be avoided, we still face deep structural problems in the IFM-SEI that run deeper than just the persons immediately responsible and are ultimately connected to a very broad crisis of institutions of civil society all over the world. The world in which we live now is a very different one than the world in which the IFM-SEI was founded.

If we want to bring forward a new era of trust and cooperation in the IFM-SEI and between our organizations, we have to answer nothing short of the question: how can a socialist educational international look in the 21st century?

This is a question that can only be answered by all of us, collectively, not by a working group. But if at one point we want to be able to do that, we have to answer a lot of smaller questions first. This should be the task of the proposed working group.

Organizational development requires constant reflection. This includes going down new, innovative paths, but also designing structures sustainability within IFM-SEI. We need to critically examine the recent changes in the IFM-SEI organization, such as the downsizing of the Presidium, but also think of new changes like a restructuring of the position of the SG. All of these changes have to be discussed regarding the question of whether they help IFM-SEI to face the challenges of our time.

We call on the International Committee to establish a Structure Review and Reform Group.

The Structure Review and Reform Group has the objective to design a participative process in which:

- 1. a deeper understanding of the problems that led the IFM-SEI into this situation is achieved
- 2. recommendations on changes to the IFM-SEI structures are developed
- 3. the implementation of these changes is carefully administered step by step



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The objective is not to do this alone, but to design a process in which it is done. For this, a Future Workshop should take place at some point during the process. The Working Group can, however, develop their own ideas and working theses on the problems and make different recommendations, that are then discussed with the member organizations. The final objective should be one or more resolutions to the next IFM-SEI congress, in which any changes are discussed and decided ultimately.

In this task the Structure Reform Group should cooperate with the Investigation Committee set up at the last Extraordinary Congress. However, while the task of the Investigation Committee is to look specifically into the last crisis of the IFM-SEI, the Structure Review and Reform group has a broader task.

The Structure Review and Reform Group should consist of

- at least 1 Presidium Member
- 1 CC Member
- 1 member per region