

WORLD CONGRESS OF THE INF-FNI: LUXEMBOURG, 20-22 OCTOBER 2022

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 38th World Congress of the International Naturist Federation (INF-FNI) was held at NH Airport Hotel, Luxembourg, from 20-22 October 2022.

Participants

For the INF-FNI	
Central Committee	Stéphane Deschênes (co-president) Sieglinde Ivo (co-president) Jean Peters (vice-president, Secretary) Dominique Dufour (vice-president, Treasurer) Laurent Luft (Europe assessor) Gregers Moller (Wider world assessor) Rosita Dal Soglio (Social Media officer) Filipa Esteves (Defender of Naturism)
Cash checkers	Armand Ceolin Henri Hermans
Law Council	Hervé Begeot (President) Leslie Rabuchin (Vice-president)
Interpreters	Rainer Fickers A-M von Puttkamer
Technical	Jean-Pierre Nelles

For the Federations	
ÖNV (Austria)	Harald Seiss (proxy from LNV – Liechtenstein)
BN (UK)	Edwin Kilby
NFN (Netherlands)	Christine Kouman
SNU-UNS (Switzerland)	Martin van den Dries
FPN (Portugal)	Julio Esteves (proxy from Brazil)
NAT (Thailand)	Disraporn Yatprom
INA (Ireland)	Colin Tierney
FEN (Spain)	Ismael Rodrigo

ANF (Australia)	Nick de Corte (proxy from SANNA – South Africa)
FFN (France)	Viviane Tiar
Mexico	Gustavo de la Garza
FENAIT (Italy)	Maria Adelaide Fornaca
DNH (Croatia)	Davorin Žugčić
FLN (Luxembourg)	Alain Meire
FENHU (Hungary)	Gábor Szabó
FCN (Canada)	Robert Field
DfK (Germany)	Wilfried Blaschke
NOS (Serbia)	Goran Filipović
FBN (Belgium)	Frank Janssens

Preliminary

The meeting was chaired by Stéphane Deschênes.

On behalf of all the participants, the Chair thanked the Luxembourg team, led by Jean Peters, for the organisation of the Congress at short notice.

The participants kept a moment of silence in remembrance of friends and colleagues who had died.

Technical session

Voting power

The number of votes for each participating Federation were checked and agreed.

Two scrutineers were elected.

Agenda

- It was agreed to consider the subscription applicable to non-European Federations, following a discussion at the 37th Congress and the reference to it in the minutes. On the advice of the president of the Law Council, the Canadian Federation were invited to draft a motion on this point; the meeting subsequently indicated its agreement to adding this motion to the agenda. It was added as point 7.2.13.



- A discussion point raised by the UK Federation had been omitted from the agenda; it was reinstated as 7.4.4.
- It was agreed to move discussion of creation of a non-European fund for events (item 7.2.1) to after reform of EUNAT (item 7.2.5 and 7.2.6).
- Item 7.1.6 duplicated item 7.1.4 and was deleted.

The updated agenda is at [Annex A](#).

70th anniversary of the INF-FNI in 2023

It was proposed that the 70th anniversary be marked at Montalivet, France, during the long weekend of 7-10 September 2023. All Federations were invited to be represented at this event, which would include workshops concerning matters relevant to the INF-FNI and naturism more generally, as well as more “fun” elements. Visits to wineries and places producing oysters were possible. Federations were invited to submit ideas about what they would like to see happen during the event. Montalivet is the site where the original statutes founding the INF-FNI were signed. It is a very large resort and capacity was unlikely to be an issue.

During discussions,

- the French Federation (FFN) expressed a wish to be associated with elements of the event, noting that nearby Bordeaux was a beautiful city known for local wine
- the Irish delegate pointed out that it was the INA’s 60th anniversary, and they might wish to exhibit at the event.

Reports

Written reports had been made available ahead of the meeting in the “internal downloads” area of the INF-FNI website. Other reports were given orally at the meeting.

The Treasurer apologised for the late submission of the financial report and proposed budget, which had been circulated on paper to the delegates. In discussion, a question was raised about the €10,000 annual cost of the website, which had previously been said to be largely as a result of the need for translation. In response, the Secretary indicated that he had carried out the translation himself. The Treasurer confirmed that the costs included maintenance of the site and hosting fees, as well as website subscription costs. The Chair commented that the site included five Wordpress sites and a level of security he had rarely seen.

During additional oral presentations:

- The Social Media Officer made a plea to Federations to provide her with content for the INF-FNI’s social media accounts; she could not manufacture this alone



- The Defender of Naturism explained that she could not be expected to know the law in every country; she was there to help Federations that needed such help, but such Federations needed actively to contact her
- The President of the Law Council highlighted work that had commenced on reform of the statutes, following a decision taken at the previous Congress; the working group had met in person for the first time this week
- The two Cash Checkers expressed satisfaction overall with the documents they had seen and had made suggestions intended to simplify the allowances; the Treasurer responded that it would be necessary to take account of the decisions taken at the next EuNat meeting.

The reports were accepted by the meeting.

Vision/Mission of the INF-FNI

During presentation of his report, the Europe Assessor invited the meeting to adopt a Vision/Mission statement for the organisation which had been drafted by a small working group set up pursuant to the decision at the previous Congress.

In discussion of the draft document, it was argued that:

- The reference to “social” nudity was too restrictive – it should refer to “nudity” with “social” in brackets
- The expression “practising” naturism was problematical: naturism was a philosophy and an ideology, not a mere practice

Following informal discussions during the break, amendments were made to the document so that it referred to “nudity, including social nudity”, and so that the INF would promote naturism “as a philosophy and an ideology”.

The revised statement was accepted unanimously. The final statement is at Annex B.

Announcement

At the commencement of business on the Friday morning it was announced that the Liechtenstein federation (LNV) had given notice that it was formally dissolving and had left the INF-FNI. The voting weights were adjusted accordingly.

Proposed modifications to the Statutes

Item 7.1.1: End national monopolies on membership

The Thai (NAT) delegate introduced this motion, the effect of which would be that more than one Federation from any given country could be admitted to the INF-FNI as an ordinary or extraordinary member. It would also allow extraordinary members to sell INF-FNI stamps in certain circumstances.

During discussion it was argued:

- if groupings other than national federations could sell INF-FNI stamps it could be the “last nail in the coffin” of the organisation. Allowing any grouping to become a member without control of the national organisation could cause trouble
- membership originates from the national organisation; extraordinary membership could cause difficulty and it was important to be united in the way we present to the outside world
- the difference between ordinary and extraordinary members was important for the INF-FNI’s finances
- the motion risked being a “sticking plaster” approach; membership was a much bigger issue which ought to be considered by a working group set up for the purpose
- among other things, such a working group could look at how to finance the INF-FNI and whether selling stamps remained the best option.

Given the evident support for remitting the question to a working group, the proposer withdrew the motion. The Chair committed, on behalf of the Central Committee, to set up a working group as proposed.

Item 7.1.2: Loss of voting rights due to overdue payments

The Thai Federation (NAT) introduced this motion, the effect of which would be that if a federation was disqualified from voting due to its payments to the INF-FNI being overdue (section 9.1.8 of the Statutes) it could appeal to the General Assembly.

In discussion, the following points were made:

- the existing rule had led to difficulties during the general assembly in 2018, when the New Zealand Federation had been disqualified from voting
- however, it was important that federations had an incentive to pay their subscriptions in a timely manner
- the effect of the motion would only be to provide an appeal to the general assembly, as the supreme organ of the INF-FNI.

The motion was carried with 161 votes in favour, 0 against, and 1 abstention.

Item 7.1.3: Amendments to the statutes not voted on

This motion, presented by the Italian Federation (FENAIT), argued that amendments to the Statutes accepted during the previous Congress had not been correctly recorded in the published Statutes.

The Chair assured the meeting that the content of the motion concerned a correction to the Statutes, not a modification. Accordingly, the central committee would make the correction and there was no need to vote on the matter.

Item 7.1.4: Means for achieving the Association's goals

This motion, presented by the Central Committee, drew attention to concerns that some Federations were not buying enough stamps for their members or their affiliated clubs. It was intended to bring these matters to the Law Council with a view to transferring the status of any such Federations to that of Extraordinary Member (so they could not vote at a general assembly) until the matter was remedied.

During discussion, it was argued:

- during this year's licence check at Alpe-Adria, several adults had presented a free youth stamp
- failing to buy enough stamps could be seen as dishonest. If federations did not support the INF-FNI they should not be here
- however, it was unclear that a motion was necessary or what its practical effect would be; it was the job of the Central Committee to pursue such matters.

In the light of the discussion, the Chair noted that nobody had been opposed to the course proposed by the central committee, and the motion was withdrawn.

Item 7.1.5: Right of individual naturists to buy INF-FNI stamps in any country

This motion, presented by the French Federation (FFN), would amend the statutes so that federations could sell INF-FNI stamps to individuals in any country, but only if the individuals could provide proof of a valid stamp issued by the federation in the country in which they reside. If there was no such federation, individuals could order such stamps directly from the INF-FNI.

The delegate from FFN had taken note of the intention to create a working group to consider membership. Accordingly, the motion was withdrawn.

General motions

Note: Item 7.2.1 was taken after 7.2.6.

Item 7.2.2: Create a new Assessor position for North and Latin America

This motion would effectively divide the current Worldwide Assessor position on the central committee into two: one covering North and Latin America, and one covering Africa and the Asia-Pacific region. The motion indicated a likely cost of some €1,500 per year.

In discussion it was argued:

- costs of such a position could be reduced by making greater use of video conferencing for meetings, but nonetheless were in practice likely to be €1,000 - €2,000 per year
- the current Worldwide Assessor (who would be standing down after the meeting) was based in Thailand and did not feel sufficiently in touch with Latin America
- it was not simply a question of time zones: there were more similarities between (for example) Australia and Canada than between Thailand and Canada
- it would be much better to have the INF-FNI represented as locally as possible, and if it led to a boom in naturism this would be a good thing
- since this would be a new post it could be tried for 2 years and then evaluated; this should be explicitly noted in the minutes of the meeting

The motion was carried, with 146 votes in favour, 8 against, and 8 abstentions.

The Central Committee took note of the wish to evaluate the arrangements after two years.

Item 7.2.3: Protecting and promoting Naturism

This motion, presented by the UK delegate (BN), would require the central committee to draw up and publish role descriptions for the promotor of naturism and the defender of naturism.

In discussion, the following points were made:

- the motion was explicitly not meant as a criticism of those occupying the two roles, but those roles were sometimes not well understood by Federations; new role descriptions might help and should be drawn up in consultation with the post holders
- the social media officer may need help in presenting naturism as a good thing. She had already asked federations to provide her with material for the social networks

- it would be unfair to change the roles in the middle of their work; however, the post holders sometimes felt alone in what they were doing; they were ready to accept greater challenges and are there to help
- communications were a big underlying problem for the organisation.

The motion was carried with 145 votes in favour, 0 against and 17 abstentions.

Item 7.2.4: Head office of the INF-FNI

This motion, presented by the UK delegate (BN), would mandate the Central Committee to begin the process of relocating the registered office to a European capital by the time of the next Congress, and at the same time to try to reduce the organisation's reliance on a physical office.

In discussion it was argued

- there might be advantages in terms of appearance to having a legal seat in a capital city
- but it does not have to be in a capital; could look at somewhere more suitable for naturism
- it is a legal requirement to have a physical address;
- moving the registered office to another country would mean following different rules and this could affect the work on the Statutes: in Germany, for example, the rules were very strict, and some countries require non-profit associations to hold their general assembly every year
- on the other hand, the legal frameworks underlying some other possible legal seats were not very different from Austria
- a change on its own had no value and a move was not urgent
- the current office costs were not high, amounting to some €4,000 per year, and having an office elsewhere could be much more expensive
- on the other hand, there was experience of having a physical address within Europe for €30 per month
- previous experience suggested such a move need not be complicated.

In the light of the discussion, the proposer amended the motion so that it required the central committee only to “consider” relocation; the words “to a European capital” were deleted.

The amended motion was carried, with 106 votes in favour, 55 against, and 1 abstention.

Item 7.2.5: Reform of EuNat meetings

This motion, presented jointly by the Netherlands, Germany and UK delegates (NFN, DFK and BN), would have the effect that in years when there was a World Congress, EuNat should meet at the same time and place, and in the alternate years EuNat meeting should be accompanied by a Conference open to all Federations, whether or not European.

The following points were raised:

- the motion would not change EuNat itself, but the proposed conference would provide a good opportunity to gather information from the whole world, not just from the European federations, at the same time saving costs
- a conference would not make decisions for the INF-FNI
- EuNat had to vote on the budget in a timely manner; but this could be managed in practice – for example, during the pandemic in 2020 the budget had been voted on by email – the main question was timing
- it was essential to plan in advance for big events such as the swimming gala.

Following informal consultations during the break, it was proposed that EuNat would meet in its new format in Bonn in March. There would be an additional meeting of EuNat held either by Zoom in October or November 2023, or at the 70th anniversary event in September, by way of a transitional arrangement.

The motion was carried with 157 votes in favour, 0 against and 5 abstentions.

Item 7.2.6: A strategy to support the funding of Naturist events organised by the Federations

This motion was presented by the same delegations as item 7.2.5. It proposed a strategy for the subsidy of events by EuNat, the principal basis of which was that they should promote participation in Naturism, including by younger people.

During discussion the following arguments were put forward:

- there was currently no underlying strategy for the subsidy of events, accordingly it was hard to assess the success of the scheme
- it was not intended to abolish long-standing events, but to inspire new ones, especially events that would bring in younger members
- the point had been raised at the Congress rather than at EuNat because it would be open to non-European federations to decide whether they wished to join such a scheme – see the next item

- but it should not be assumed that the European approach to events could be adopted in other countries, especially when distances between settlements were great
- the budget from within Europe came from 40% of the cost of “licences” sold within Europe; it was then for EuNat to decide how events should be maintained
- the proposed strategy stated that events should be open to non-members, but this might cause difficulties: a lot of people joined the federation just so they could go to particular events. On the other hand, if we do not keep the gate open, naturism would not have a future
- admitting non-members did not mean organisers of events had to admit everybody. It would still be possible to hold member-only events but, if this proposal is agreed, they would not be subsidised.

The motion was carried with 138 votes in favour, 8 against and 16 abstentions.

Item 7.2.1: Creation of a fund for non-European members

Item 7.2.13 – restoration of the discount to non-European federations

Motion 7.2.1 was presented by the Thai delegation (NAT). It would, in effect, create a worldwide equivalent to EuNat, so that it would be possible for non-European federations to bid for a subsidy. This idea had become known as the “non-Euro-NAT”.

The proposer drew attention to the motion on the same subject presented to the 37th Congress held in 2021, which (among other things) noted that the scheme would be funded by abolishing the 40% “discount” on the price of stamps currently applied to non-European federations. That motion had not been agreed but had been remitted to the present Congress.

Furthermore, the Canadian delegation (FCN) had, with the agreement of the meeting (see Agenda, above), introduced an additional motion, numbered 7.2.13, which would restore the discount to non-European countries at the level of 40%.

As to the procedure, the Thai federation withdrew the motion at point 7.2.1. The debate took place in respect of item 7.2.13. The understanding was that, if the motion were rejected, the meeting would look again at the motion remitted by the Congress held in 2021.

During discussion, the following points were made:

- there was a clear choice for the non-European federations between having a discount or a scheme for events
- agreeing to the proposal would be like writing a blank cheque: there was no detail about how the funds would be allocated

- however, the proposer had suggested creating a committee to oversee the fund
- when the discount for non-European federations was originally agreed it had been on the basis that they would use the funds for sporting or youth events
- making a distinction between European and non-European countries within a global organisation was unfortunate
- but it was a “different reality” outside Europe, with 19 time zones to manage and sometimes large distances even within one country
- there were fewer than 2,000 members outside Europe and the financial impact was therefore about €2,000
- the notion of paying money into a pot and then working hard to get it back was unattractive
- lack of support for this fund did not mean a future proposal would not be supported

The motion (7.2.13) was carried, with 152 votes in favour, 0 against, and 10 abstentions.

Item 7.2.7: Discipline, and cease and desist command

This motion had been submitted by the Italian federation (FENAIT) and related to a continuing dispute with the Liechtenstein federation (LNV). In view of the information that the LNV had been dissolved and left the INF, they would withdraw the motion.

The speaker expressed regret that the dispute had continued for an extended period.

Item 7.2.8: Compensation

This motion, also proposed by FENAIT, was linked with item 7.2.7 and was also withdrawn.

Item 7.2.9: Reprimand the central committee

This motion also proposed by FENAIT, was linked with 7.2.7 and 7.2.8. The Italian delegate expressed disappointment with the way the INF-FNI had acted in handling the dispute. After a brief discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Item 7.2.10: Accommodation costs at the Congress for federations of fewer than 500 members

This motion, submitted by the Croatian federation (DNH), would require the INF-FNI, in the case of small federations, to reimburse the costs of accommodation for one person at the Congress.

In discussion, it was argued

- costs for small federations sometimes exceed their budget, and the delegate had been required to meet a large part of the costs personally
- whilst it was understood that small federations had difficulties, the costs of congresses were large, and it would not be possible for the INF-FNI to meet all such costs
- similar problems were encountered by larger federations such as those of Australia and South Africa because of distance; it would be unfortunate if federations were unable to be represented because of cost
- greater use of videoconferencing might mitigate some of the problems
- the INF-FNI could make savings elsewhere, for example the €28,000 spent on a new website
- although the motion was specifically about accommodation costs, an increase in travel costs expenses might help
- costs might be reduced if meetings were held at a holiday resort instead of a hotel
- the allowance for travel costs could in principle be partially diverted to cover parts of the cost of accommodation, and although the rules did not currently allow this, it used to be possible
- it would be inappropriate to distinguish between small and large federations
- some federations were unable to support the motion despite sympathising with small federations, since it seemed clear that more work was needed and the financial impact was not clear.

During further discussion it was proposed that representatives of smaller federations could have a conference call with the Treasurer to see what could be done to help.

The proposer amended the motion to make clear that a partial reimbursement would be acceptable, that part to be agreed during discussions with the Treasurer.

The motion was not carried, with 23 votes in favour, 133 against and 6 abstentions.

The Chair undertook, on behalf of the Central Committee, to organise a call as proposed.

Item 7.2.11: Small federations to be able to submit texts in one language only

The Croatian delegate argued that small federations did not have funds to pay for professional translations of motions for the Congress, and asked for them to be translated by the INF-FNI at its expense.

During discussion, the following points were made:

- all federations might welcome such a change
- in practice, translation in the office has been done by the secretary and this might not be possible in future; getting translations done professionally would add substantially to costs
- although Google Translate was available, it was unreliable. DeepL was better

The motion was not carried, with 49 votes in favour, 85 against and 28 abstentions.

Item 7.2.12: Submitting articles for FOCUS in one language only

The delegate from Croatia (DNH) withdrew the motion.

Finance: Provisional budget 2022-23-24

The Treasurer repeated his apology (see Reports, above) for the late submission of the budget. He noted that the organisation had sold fewer stamps but the selling price of these had increased in 2023 and 2024. The “travel fund” no longer existed. There were some issues in the budget about sales of stamps outside Europe. Holding the Congress had an effect on the overall results. The 2024 budget took account of the Congress (€50,000 provision), and for 2023 the 70th anniversary event had been partially budgeted for. In 2024, we expect a positive result and would put the profit into "free reserves". In 2022, we will have a negative result and will have to make a withdrawal from the "development fund" provisions.

Points raised during discussion included:

- it was noted that advertising on the website generated some income but this income could be improved
- the central committee had determined that physical attendance at fairs was probably not good value, but subsidies could be provided to federations who displayed INF-FNI material
- it was hard to read the budget without a plan: how is it foreseen that the budget will increase; was the 4.5% increase in the costs of staff enough; what is included in rental costs?
- it was the Treasurer’s first budget and he expected to be able to improve its presentation and the explanations in future years

The budget was put to a vote and accepted, with 157 votes in favour, 0 against and 5 abstentions.

Discussion points

Note: At the meeting, discussion points were taken after the elections, due to the need for some participants to leave to catch trains or planes. They appear in these minutes in the order they appear on the agenda.

Item 7.4.1 had been covered in the context of items 7.2.5 and 7.2.6 (reform of EuNat) and no further discussion was needed

Item 7.4.2: Revision of the Statutes and Rules

The President of the Law Council opened this discussion, reminding the meeting that a working group had been asked to carry out the review. The members of the working group were Leslie Rabuchin (vice president of the Law Council), Harald Seiss (ONS), Edwin Kilby (BN) and himself, Hervé Begeot.

Federations had been asked earlier in the year to submit proposals for changes to the statutes. The meeting was asked to give an indication of views on potentially controversial proposals.

(a) Reduce the number of official languages, or work only in English

The Chair asked for an indicative show of hands by those who could live with using English only. A majority indicated that they could.

In discussion, however, views were more mixed. Points made included:

- it was not obvious that the language should be English
- using one language could lead to a loss of identity for some federations
- it could make participation more difficult for new federations
- the website was used by a lot of people who did not understand English
- English and French may be dominant languages in some regions, but in the context of the INF-FNI there might be an equally good argument for using Dutch
- it was not hard to translate the web site automatically

In the absence of a clear consensus for change, the working group will proceed on the basis that the three official languages will remain.

(b) Appoint an independent chair for General Assemblies

During discussion on this point, it was argued:

- using an independent chair for annual meetings was normal in some countries



- however, the experience of some delegates was not positive because the independent chair did not understand the business sufficiently
- it would be better to have the president chair meetings

In the absence of consensus for change, the working group will proceed on the basis that this proposal will not be adopted.

(c) Deadlines ahead of General Assemblies

During discussion the following points were made:

- deadlines were clearly needed, but requiring motions to be submitted in June for an October meeting was too soon
- some speakers suggested one month; others argued that this would be too short because federations needed time to establish their positions on proposals

In the light of this discussion the working group will examine the deadlines to see whether they can be shortened.

(d) Conflicts of Interest

During discussion the following points were made:

- there was a conflict of interest between occupying certain Central Committee positions and representing a federation at general assemblies; this should be reflected in the statutes
- federations representatives should be expected to declare any conflict of interest
- this was an obvious point on which no further debate was needed.

The working group will therefore propose a provision dealing with conflicts of interest.

(e) Other points

It was proposed that the working group consider the “purpose” section of the statutes, in particular whether the section on abuse of alcohol and tobacco remained appropriate. In response it was reported that the working group was already considering this point and suggested text based on a “healthy lifestyle”.

Item 7.4.3: Pictures taken at the swimming gala

This discussion point, presented by the Swiss federation, noted concerns about photography at INF events such as the swimming gala, and recalled a misunderstanding at a previous event.

Points made during discussion included:

- there were already clear rules about photography at INF events: there should be an official photographer only, and no videos
- some federations used a wristband system so that those who did not wish to be included in official photos could be identified clearly
- it was important that the official photographer could be clearly identified, especially when taking pictures with a phone
- photographs could also be checked against faces so that any that included people who did not wish to be photographed could be destroyed
- even photographs of participants' backs needed to be destroyed if they did not wish to be included
- photography was the most troublesome issue for event organisers
- lessons should be learned from previous incidents.

Item 7.4.1: Success stories

This point, presented by the UK (BN), invited delegates to share stories of recent successes.

Among points raised were:

- BN had announced the results of a recent opinion survey which suggested that 6.75 million people in the UK identified as naturist or nudist
- although the Netherlands delegate had departed, it was noted that NFN had been nominated for awards following recent television advertising campaigns and podcasts
- numbers in Canada were up following the Covid-19 pandemic; FCN had launched a new website, alongside the "Canadian Naturist Creed", and they had launched a campaign against the current nudity law
- in Ireland, the law on "exposure" had been amended so that it was similar to that in Britain, and the president of INA had been in discussions with the police about how to deal with complaints about nudity
- in Hungary, a more colourful website had been launched with a logo chosen by members; there had been radio interviews and a plan to make a movie next year



- in India, the judge in a legal case concerning a film of a man running naked on a beach had concluded that not all nudity was obscene
- in France, various museum and gallery visits had been arranged; and although not traditional naturism these had attracted a lot of people
- in Serbia, hotel and restaurant events were being organised alongside a wellness event; this reflected a transition over 11 years towards a situation where naturism was welcome
- Since approving it at the World Congress in Italy in 2010, the Spanish Naturist Federation (FEN) has held an annual Day Without Swimsuits at public beaches and pools on the third Sunday of July, in addition to the celebrations of World Naturism Day in June. In Madrid, where an agreement has been signed with the City Council, 20-40% of the 1600 attendees at three swimming pools choose to enjoy the day naked, thus normalising nudity and attracting new members. We hope that the success we have enjoyed will spread to other countries.

Elections

Item 9.1: Vice-president (Secretary)

Two candidates were standing for this post: Jean Peters, the incumbent, and Edwin Kilby from BN. Both made short presentations of their candidacies.

Following a secret ballot, the results were:

Jean Peters 39 votes

Edwin Kilby 123 votes.

The Chair thanked Jean Peters for his 8 years of service in his present role and for his time in previous roles. The meeting gave him a standing ovation.

Item 9.2: Worldwide Assessor

The meeting recalled that it had decided to split this role into two: Americas, and Africa-Asia-Pacific.

Gustavo de la Garcia (Mexico) was elected to the Americas role by acclamation.

According to section 10(3) of the Rules for General Assemblies, if there are insufficient candidates to fill all vacant positions, the Central Committee has the power to complete the list with its own proposals. The Central Committee accepted the proposal from the floor of Christo Bothma (SANNA) for the position of Africa-Asia-Pacific Assessor and, accordingly, he was appointed to the post.

Item 10.1 and 10.2: Law Council

Hervé Begeot (FFN) was re-elected President of the Law Council for a period of 4 years, by acclamation.

Leslie Rabuchin (BN) was re-elected as Vice-president of the Law Council for 2 years, by acclamation.

It was noted that no candidate had come forward for election as the substitute member.

Item 11: Cash checkers

Armand Ceolin (FLN) was re-elected for a period of 2 years, by acclamation.

Henri Hermans (NFN) was re-elected for a period of 4 years, by acclamation.

Other business

Working plan

The Chair confirmed that revision of the working plan was under way.

Time and place of next Congress

Three bids had been received to host the Congress in 2024, from Portugal, Mexico and Canada. Representatives from the three countries presented their proposals and the meeting was asked to vote for their preference in a secret ballot.

The result was:

Portugal: 46 votes

Mexico: 90 votes

Canada: 18 votes

The 2024 Congress will therefore take place in Zipolite, Mexico.

Close of meeting

There being no further business, the Chair thanked all the participants and those involved in the technical presentation of the meeting, and declared the Congress closed.

Agenda: 38th INF-FNI World Congress 2022 – updated at meeting

From 20th to 23rd October 2022 in NH Hotels, Luxembourg Airport

N°	Ref:	Course of events
1		Opening of the 38th INF-FNI Congress 2022 by the INF-FNI Presidents
	1.1	Reception
	1.2	Welcome greetings
	1.3	Remembrance of the dead
2		Technical Session
	2.1	Presentation and approval of the delegates
	2.2	Check of voting power
	2.3	Election of 2 scrutineers (m/w)
	2.4	Approval of the agenda
3		INF-FNI 70 th Anniversary planning workshop
4		Reports (2020-2021)
	4.1a	Report from INF-FNI Presidents (SIO-SDS)
	4.1b	Report from INF-FNI secretary (JPS)
	4.2	Financial Report from INF-FNI treasurer (DDR)
	4.3	Report from EU-Assessor, European countries (LLT)
	4.4	Report from WW-Assessor, non-European countries (GMR)
	4.5	Report of the social media (RDS)
	4.6	Report of the President of the Law Council (HBT)
	4.7	Report of the Account Checkers (ACN-HHN)
5		Discussion and discharge of the CC
6		Questions concerning reports from federations and correspondents
7	7.1	Timely submitted motions concerning the statute modifications
NAT	7.1.1	End of national monopolies on naturism
NAT	7.1.2	Loss of voting rights due to overdue payments
FENAIT	7.1.3	Amendment N1 to the statutes not voted on
INF-FNI	7.1.4	§ 3, Point 2: Means for Achieving the Association's Goals
FFN	7.1.5	§2, pt.6: Proposal giving individual naturists the right to purchase stamps in any country
	
	7.2	Timely submitted general motions
NAT	7.2.1	Creation of a fund for non-European members [taken after 7.2.6]
NAT	7.2.2	Motion to create a new Assessor position for North and Latin America
BN	7.2.3	N° 1: Protecting and promoting Naturism
BN	7.2.4	N° 2: Head office of the INF-FNI
NFN- DFK BN	7.2.5	N° 1: Reform of EU-NAT meetings (PRESENTED BY NFN, DFK AND BN)
	7.2.6	N° 2: A strategy to support the funding of Naturist events organised by the Federations
	7.2.7	N° 1. Statute violation – Discipline + 2. Cease and desist command
FENAIT LNV	7.2.8	N° 2: Statute violation – Compensation
	7.2.8x	LNV motion against FENAIT Motion N° 2
FENAIT	7.2.9	N° 3 CC reprimand
FENAIT	7.2.9	Request of necessary actions against SDS, SIO & JPS

DNH	7.2.10	No. 1: The INF-FNI also reimburses the full cost of one person's lodging for the four-day conference. (Federations of < 500 members)
	7.2.11	N° 2: Taking charge of the texts (in one language) sent by federations (less than 500 members) for translation at the expense of INF-FNI
	7.2.12	N° 3: Taking charge of the texts (in one language) sent for the FOCUS by federations (less than 500 members) for translation at the expense of INF-FNI
FCN	7.2.13	Motion regarding a matter arising from the previous minutes
	7.3	Motions concerning finances
	7.3.1	
	7.4	Discussion points
NFN	7.4.1	Discussion about the future of EuNat [covered in point 7.2.5 and 7.2.6]
L. Coun	7.4.2	By the president of the Legal Council
UNS-SNU	7.4.3	Pictures taken at the swimming pool
BN	7.4.4	Success Stories
8		Provisional budget 2022-2023
	8.1	Prepared by Dominique Dufour, discussion and approval
9		INF-FNI Central Committee Elections: (4 years mandate - m/f)
	9.1	Vice-president – secretariat (2 candidates)
	9.2	WW-Assessor
	9.3	
10		Legal Council Elections (4 years mandate – m/f)
	10.1	President of LC
	10.2	Vice-President of LC
	10.3	Substitute of LC (no candidate)
11		Elections for Cash Checkers (4 years mandate – m/f)
	11.1	Armand Ceolin (FLN)
		Henri Hermans (NFN)
		Assessor (no candidate)
12		Any other business
		Working Plan 2018-2020, current status
13		Place and date of the next 39 th INF-FNI congress 2024
INFO		A press conference is foreseen either on Friday or Saturday between 11 and 12 o'clock. Further information will be available just prior to the congress.

NB: All listed documents here are available in our INF-FNI open and protected download section.

(The password changed in June 2020 is applicable)

(INF-FNI office 15/10/2022)

Special note: Due to a countermotion request from LNV against motion N° 2 FENAIT 7.2.8, the agenda was updated.

ANNEX B

INF VISION STATEMENT

- A world where everyone can live in freedom, with or without clothing, with respect for each other and for the environment.
- A world where the human right to be naked is protected and nudity, including social nudity, is accepted.
- A world where naturism is practised in accordance with the INF definition of naturism.

INF MISSION STATEMENT

Together with national federations, we promote naturism and its values internationally, working towards a world where naturism may be practised everywhere.

INF STRATEGY

The INF-FNI aims to achieve its mission by:

1. strengthening and supporting the work of the national naturist federations through
 - cooperation (exchange of knowhow, best practices, ...)
 - consultation (finance, members, communication, data, organisation, ...)
 - events (sport, social, festivals, culture and arts, fairs, ...)
 - networking (congress, friendship, ...)
2. communicating the values of naturism by
 - promoting naturism as a philosophy and ideology
 - promoting naturism as a natural and more sustainable way of life
 - campaigning and lobbying towards establishment of a human right to be naked
 - promoting self-confidence and body-acceptance as part of naturism
 - working with authorities (governments, police, international bodies, environmental organisations, ...)utilising
 - professional public relations (press releases and responses to publications)
 - web and social media work
3. building and maintaining relationships with other bodies and being an international partner in the support of naturism

Adopted at Luxembourg

October 2022