

Report on the informal Executive Committee meeting of the ISLSSL

Tuesday October 1, 2013 (10:00-12h00)

Hall Machala, Hotel Oro Verde, Guayaquil

On Tuesday October, 1 2013, before the opening of the IX American Regional Congress of Labour Law and Social Security, an informal Executive Committee meeting of the International Society of Labour Law and Social Security took place in Guayaquil.

The following participants attended the meeting: Adrian Goldin, President, Giuseppe Casale, Secretary-General, Stefano Bellomo, Treasurer; honorary presidents: Professors Jean-Michel Servais and Arturo Bronstein; Vice-Presidents: Prof. Emilio Morgado (Latin America), Prof. Rolando Murgas Torraza (North America); Chair of the Congress: Prof. Sabino Hernandez Alvarez; representatives of the ISLSSL national associations from Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Ireland, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela.

The President of ISLSSL opened the meeting and welcomed the participants. He gave the floor to Prof. Sabino Hernández A. who briefed the participants on the Congress. After an introduction by the Secretary General of ISLSSL, the Irish representative, Ms. Lauren Tennyson, took the floor and briefed the audience on the progress made on the organization of the next XI European Regional Congress to be held in Dublin, Ireland from 17 to 19 September 2014. The tentative agenda of the congress can be found in the Society's website.

Prof. Goldin then read out the report on the progress made for the XXI World Congress to be held in Cape Town, South Africa, from 14 to September 17, 2015, that was sent for this purpose by Andre van Niekerk, President of the Local Organizing Committee of the World Congress. This report can be found on www.islssl.org.

After a brief introduction about the ISLSSL Young Lawyers Section, Juan Paulo Mugnolo and Stefano Bellomo, coordinators - respectively – of the Latin American and European sections, reported on the work done. Juan Paulo Mugnolo informed about the organization and content of the Latin American session that took place on October 2, as part of the Regional Congress.

Giuseppe Casale reported on the progress made in the preparation of the Society's website. He also referred to the Open Forum and invited the participants to contribute to the

debate ignited by Prof. Tiziano Treu's paper and by a first comment prepared by Prof. Jean-Michel Servais.

Prof. Nelson Mannrich, President of the Brazilian Academy of Labour and Social Security, a major academic association in Brazil, who postulated the incorporation of the Academy as the national member, presented the history and achievements of the Academy, since its establishment. The vice-President for South America proposed to recommend to the Executive Committee meeting, to be held in Dublin on the occasion of the XI European Regional Congress, to approve the entry of the Brazilian Academy of Labour and Social Security as the new national member of Brazil, if they will formally postulate for it and to reserve the position as institutional member to the Institute of Social Law Cesarino Junior. The proposal was unanimously endorsed.

Prof. Goldin reported on the constant practice of consulting regularly the vice-Presidents of the Society and, in particular, on the last of these consultations in which the Society proposed, along with the University of Pittsburgh and the Max Planck of Munich, the nomination of Prof. Carmelo Mesa-Lago to the Prince of Asturias Award in Social Sciences. The consultation was a positive one.

He also reported about the new edition of the International and Comparative Seminar (Margarita Island), realizing that, in order to increase the impact of the seminar participants, the Society had agreed with the organizers to strengthen its educational content – the duration is extended to 9 days and 80 hours of academic work – subjects (such as the employment relationship) - and the introduction of technical readings and written reports by participants themselves in an interaction with the lecturers.

Prof. Goldin also reported that efforts have been intensified with the aim to re-launching the ISLSSL European Seminar that was sponsored by the universities of Trieste, Szeged, Bordeaux and Lyon. He announced that in November there will be an agreement with the University of Cà Foscari of Venice under the direction of Prof. Adalberto Perulli to restart the seminar in July 2014.

Lastly, he reported on the steps taken to create an Electronic Yearbook with the International Association of Labour Law Journals (IALLJ) that, if carried out, would provide the public with some articles, already published in journals, on the websites of ISLSSL and IALLJ.

The Secretary General declared the informal Executive Committee meeting closed at 12:00 hours.