

Decisions by the Executive Committee (Sevilla, 21st September 2011)

Our Executive Committee met in Seville on 21st September 2011 under the chairmanship of our President Professor Michal Sewerynski, assisted by Secretary General Arturo Bronstein. The meeting was attended by representatives of 35 National Associations, several individual members and Honorary Presidents Blanpain, Sugeno and Servais. Below is a summary of the agenda discussed by the Executive Committee and the decisions it took thereabout:

1.- Membership of ISL&SSL: the Executive Committee approved the list of the national associations that were to be accepted as National Members of ISL&SSL on the base of the criteria set out in our by-laws approved in Sydney, 2009.

2.- New Members of ISL&SSL: The Executive Committee welcomed the Indian Chapter of ISL&SSL, the Employment Law Association of Ireland and the Malaysian Labour Law Society as new members of ISL&SSL.

2.- Election of a President Elect 2012-2015: This process started at the beginning of this year with a call sent to our national associations to nominate candidates for President of ISL&SSL. Further to this call the nominations of Professors Adrian Goldin (Argentina) and Oscar Hernandez Alvarez (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) have been received, both submitted by their respective national associations. In accordance with our by-laws a vote by secret ballot was held during the Executive Committee meeting, the result of which was the following:

Total votes cast: 37

For Professor Goldin: 27 votes

For Professor Hernandez Alvarez: 9 votes.

Professor Goldin was accordingly declared President Elect of our Society. He will take up as President on the closure of our XX World Congress, on 28 September 2012 in Santiago de Chile, and his mandate will run until the closure of the next World Congress in Cape Town, 2015.

3.- Forthcoming Congresses of ISL&SSL:

IX American Regional Congress, The Executive Committee confirmed the venue of Guayaquil, Ecuador, in 2013. Arrangements concerning the actual dates, themes and working methodology will be worked out in the first half of 2012 so that a finalized proposal can be put before the Executive Committee meeting in Santiago de Chile.

XI European Congress, 2014: The Executive Committee welcomed the invitation by Professor Anthony Kerr, to hold this Congress in Dublin. A detailed proposal will be worked out during 2012, and will also be submitted to the Executive Committee for its formal approval in Santiago de Chile.

XXIst World Congress, 2015: The Executive Committee received invitations from our Brazilian Chapter, to hold this Congress in Sao Paulo, the Canadian Chapter, to hold it in Toronto and the South African Chapter, to hold it in Cape Town. It decided by a vote that the Congress will be held in Cape Town. This will be the first time that ISL&SSL holds a world congress in Africa. Actual dates and agenda of this congress will be submitted to the next Executive Committee meeting in Santiago de Chile, September 2012.

4.- Financial report by the Treasurer

The Executive Committee took note of the interim financial report submitted by our Treasurer, Ms Corinne Vargha. It appreciated that generally speaking our finances are in good shape. Very few of our associations are in arrears of their dues, and our expenditures are kept under control. In keeping with our by-laws the tri-annual report will be submitted to the Executive Committee while at its meeting in Santiago, September 2012 together with the report by the Auditor, Professor Sten Evju.

5.- Report Servais

The Executive Committee started to consider the **Report on the working methods of our congresses and other proposals to improve our Society's outreach**, also known as Report *Servais* after the name of Honorary President Jean-Michel Servais, who had been requested by our Executive Committee in Sydney, Australia, 2009, to

coordinate a working group to discuss this important question. Discussions on this theme will continue at the next Executive Committee meeting in Santiago de Chile, September 2012; it is expected that the Executive Commission will be ready to take decisions thereabout.