

**MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY ONE MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF INTERLEGAL HELD ON 02 NOVEMBER 2022
BY VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Present: Gabriele Brand-Ogris - *President*
Uday Ahlawat - *Vice President*
Alexandre Dupont - *Past President*
Steffen Lorscheider - *Secretary*
Jim Wright - *Treasurer*

Attendance: Colin Russell - *Officer*

<u>No.</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
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I.	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>	
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None.

II.	<u>FINANCE</u>	
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Issues relating to the tax registration status of Interlegal were discussed at length.

There are two linked but separate issues arising as a result of not having tax registration certification as follows:

- Potential for member payments needing to have tax deducted at source (therefore leaving Interlegal with only the net amount).
- Requirement for TRC number to be quoted by members to enable the payment to be tax deductible for them.

Some short term solutions were discussed including involving our Swiss member firm in the process by exception. These will be followed up.

*Gabriele/
Jim*

A longer term solution needs to be found and so in the first instance, advice will be sought from our Luxembourg members

and other professional advisers and considered at the next meeting.

*Gabriele/
Jim/Steffen*

III. MARKETING

Confirmation of appointment of Sally Edwards as Marketing Officer is still to be confirmed formally. Jim will circulate proposed terms of engagement from Sally for agreement as soon as possible.

Jim

IV. GENERAL ASSEMBLY – ISTANBUL AND CAIRO

Dates for the Istanbul meeting in 2023 have been confirmed with Özlem Kurt for 24th – 28th May.

Following receipt of two options for the autumn 2023 meeting in Cairo, the preferred choice is for 18th – 22nd October. This slightly earlier date is due to advice from Yasser Saleh about weather conditions in Cairo at that time.

The Egypt date will be confirmed with Yasser and then the Officer will confirm both sets of dates with members with a Save The Date email and calendar invitation.

Uday/Colin

Consideration needs to be given to possible invitations for guests from our partner organisations.

All

V. NEW MEMBERSHIP ENQUIRIES AND APPLICATIONS

At the last General Assembly meeting in Athens, it was agreed to defer a decision on the two applications from Serbia and Italy pending a review of the policy and process for applications from jurisdictions where we already have a member. This is to be considered by Steffen with support from William Blum.

*Colin/
Steffen*

Mashabane Ngoasheng Attorneys from South Africa have confirmed they intend to attend our meeting in Istanbul to present their application in person. The Officer will keep them informed of arrangements.

Colin

VI. EXTERNAL RELATIONS

Future collaboration with FICAC was discussed, with the possible need for a collaboration committee to be formed with FICAC officials.

Gabriele will discuss with Nikolaos Margaropoulos in November.

Gabriele

VII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Intellectual Property

Gabriele has been advised that the registration for the domain name 'interlegal.net' has expired.

It was agreed that there should be a complete centralised file where all the information and dates for trademarks, domain names and other intellectual property should be held. Uday and Gabriele will follow up on this requirement with Adam and obtain specialist advice as required.

*Uday/
Gabriele*

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is confirmed as Wednesday 30th November at 10.00am CET.

Suggestions for the agenda should be circulated to the President at least 7 days before the meeting and copied to the Secretary.

All

Steffen Lorscheider
Secretary

14 November 2022