MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY FOUR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF INTERLEGAL HELD ON 1 FEBRUARY 2023 BY VIDEO CONFERENCE

Present: Gabriele Brand-Ogris – *President*

Uday Ahlawat – *Vice President* Alexandre Dupont – *Past President*

Jim Wright - Treasurer

Steffen Lorscheider – Secretary

<u>No. Agenda Item</u> <u>Action</u>

I. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

None.

II. FINANCE

There are not issues to report with regard to finances and the Treasurer will provide a separate update in due course.

Jim

The Past President had met with Nicholas Bille from Switzerland during a visit in Thailand. Nicholas offered to contact a Swiss tax adviser for advice about the taxation implications of Interlegal being located in Switzerland (both income tax and VAT). It was agreed that Gabriele should be contacted with this information as a matter of urgency

Alexandre/ Gabriele

Once the advice has been received and accepted, Steffen will contact Bill Blum to work on any changes to the articles required as a result.

Steffen

III. MARKETING

The President, Vice President and Officer met with Sally Edwards in January to provide clarification and to resolve outstanding issues relating to her engagement as Marketing Officer. All the outstanding areas were understood to have been dealt with including adoption of an eight week period of notice and agreement of a range of hours to be worked each month of 35-45 hours and exceptions to be agreed in advance. The Marketing Officer will be subject to the direction of the Executive Committee.

It was agreed that Sally would consider the contract in the light of these clarifications and confirm as soon as possible with a view to commencing by mid-February and an initial meeting to be held with the EC around 20th February.

It is hoped that Sally will be able to come to the GA meeting in Istanbul or Cairo to meet members.

The Vice-President will liaise regarding the conclusion of the contract and engagement.

Uday

IV. **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Following discussions with our members in Turkey, the programme for Istanbul is being adapted with the costs for accommodation being separated from the conference fees and with the Thursday tourism activity being an optional extra.

The details will be circulated to members once finalised together with a reminder that attendance is important.

Colin

It was decided that the local FICAC Members should be invited by our Turkish members.

V. <u>NEW MEMBERSHIP ENQUIRIES AND APPLICATIONS</u>

The Officer circulated an overview about the current status. The meeting with the applicant form from Ghana is still to be arranged.

Colin

It was agreed to contact our Egyptian member about an enquiry from another Egyptian firm.

Colin

VI. <u>EXTERNAL RELATIONS</u>

The President has been invited by FICAC to an exhibition event on 20th February and hopes to attend.

Gabriele

VII. <u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as over the weekend of **18-19 March** in Paris.

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

24 February 2023