

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE OF IATJ – JUNE 1, 2017
8:30 a.m. by telephone conference call

In attendance:

Chief Justice Eugene P. Rossiter, Tax Court of Canada;
Friederike Grube, Richter in am Bundesfinanzhof, Germany;
Judge Willem F.G.Wijnen, Court of Appeal of 's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands;
Judge Michael Beusch, Federal Administrative Court, Switzerland

Regrets:

M. Philippe Martin, Conseil d'État, France;

1. The Proposed Agenda as circulated was approved.
2. The minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of March 30, 2017 were circulated and reviewed, and approved with a slight amendment to the financial report.
3. A detailed financial report was given with respect to the budget for the year ended December 31, 2017 was reviewed by the President. He reviewed item by item and noted that there would be an adjustment with respect to projected rental of microphones which was thought to be 2,500 Euros but is in fact going to be closer to 3,000 Euros so that figure would need to be adjusted. There would also be an adjustment with respect to Directors meetings upwards of possibly 1,000 Euros. The financial status as of April 28, 2017 was also reviewed by the President and was approved as circulated. It was also noted that the payment for the memberships were coming in as well as the registrations for the 8th Assembly.
4. 8th Assembly:

The President reviewed the report submitted by Petri Saukko who is heading up the organization of the 8th Assembly in Helsinki, a copy of which is attached.

There were really no issues outstanding except that we are to get information with respect to a possible excursion for Sunday following the 8th Assembly.

In terms of the program, Judge Wim Wijnen noted that the program is complete, the speakers and chair panels have been appointed and everything is set to proceed with the exception of the exotic topic which is to be forthcoming from the Finnish organizers. It was also noted that the members of the Finnish Court system could attend the afternoon session on the Friday afternoon session without actually attending the entire Assembly, as we encourage the local judiciary to attend if at all possible.

5. Newsletters: The President noted that in order to send out newsletters he needed assistance in ensuring that we have the appropriate, interesting topics to circulate in those newsletters. Michael Beusch is providing an article as will Wim Wijnen which will be used in the next couple of newsletters.

6. In terms of memberships there are three Court memberships and sixty individual memberships and it looks like a fairly successful registration for the 8th Assembly. The President advised that there are going to be four attendees from the Tax Court of Canada, four attendees from South Korea and three attendees from the U.S. Tax Court, with the numbers increasing.

7. The President advised that there would be Board meetings on Thursday, October 5 and Sunday October 8, 2017. With respect to the meeting on Sunday, he will request of the organizers that the excursion not commence until 1:00 p.m.

8. 9th Assembly: The President also provided a summary report of the steps that have been taken with respect to the organization of the 9th Assembly in Ottawa, Canada in September, 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned.