

IATJ
MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE
September 27, 2018 at 12:00 Noon
at Tax Court of Canada, 200 Kent Street, Ottawa

Attendance:

Eugene Rossiter, Philippe Martin, Michael Beusch, Friederike Grube and Wim Wijnen

1. Financial Report:

A financial report was presented including the financial status and the detailed rolling budget was reviewed. See attachments.

2. 9th Assembly:

Program:

(a) Judge Wim Wijnen advised that the program was complete, all the chairs are in place, the panelists will be in attendance except for two or three who had to drop out at the last minute but their presentations will be otherwise presented and all of the papers are in bound form ready to be circulated.

(b) Logistics – Chief Justice Rossiter confirmed that all logistics are in place including hotel, meeting room, technology systems, seating, materials, registration, lunches, health breaks, reception on September 28, 2018 and closing dinner September 29, 2018.

3. Potential New Membership:

There was a discussion with respect to potential new membership and it was suggested that we make contact with a Justice Sikri of the India Supreme Court and that the President communicate with him inviting him to join the IATJ with background information.

4. Website:

Chief Justice Rossiter confirmed that the website has been revamped and has a fresh look. It was also confirmed that all papers for each

particular assembly were to be put on the website. For each Assembly there is a General Report and then the program for that Assembly. All the papers that were presented at that Assembly are the presented in the order of the Assembly program. Chief Justice Rossiter is to review the website and confirm all is in order.

5. Possible Locations:

Potential locations of future Assemblies of the IATJ was discussed. It was agreed that it would be a policy of the IATJ (as in the past) that the IATJ would attempt to follow the IFA in its locations on an annual basis except in exceptional circumstances where it may be held in some location other than where the IFA has been held because of membership, costing purposes, security issues or other special circumstances. It was noted that the following are the locations of IFA in the near future:

2019 – London

2020 – Cancun

2021 – Berlin

2022 - Cape Town

2023 – Lisbon

2024 – Melbourne.

Judge Philippe Martin noted that he was approached by a Mexican delegate at the recent IFA conference in Seoul, Korea indicating their support for the IATJ holding their 11th Assembly in Mexico City or possibly Cancun, Mexico. This issue is to be followed up at a later time.

6. IFA:

There is a desire by IFA to have Judges attend IFA regularly. They are to look at possible ways to attract Judges including the possibility of a specific invitation to attend and a waiver of the filing fee. Direct financial contribution to a foundation to be channeled for Judges for

assistance in their travel and registration was ruled out as it was conflict.

7. Potential Locations:

Detailed discussion took place with respect to the future locations of the IATJ, the pros and cons of each particular location following IFA and with the following suggestions for consideration, 2019 London, 2020 Mexico, Brazil or Budapest, 2021 Berlin, 2022 India, Mexico City, Brazil or Budapest, 2023 Lisbon and 2024 Melbourne.

The various alternatives for a 11th Assembly location was also discussed with pros and cons of each location.

These locations are to be discussed at directors meetings in the future.

8. Nomination Committee:

Chief Justice Rossiter reviewed the nomination committee report and the process that followed. Attached is the process followed and the nomination committee report for 2018/2019.

9. Successorship:

There was a detailed discussion with respect to successorship of those who are in the Executive committee especially the three founding Directors of the Executive Committee, the President and Vice President Philippe Martin and Vice President Wim Wijnen. This issue is to be revisited at future meetings over the next period of three to five years.

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