

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF IATJ – JULY 10, 2017  
8:30 a.m. by telephone conference call

In attendance:

Chief Justice Eugene P. Rossiter, Tax Court of Canada;  
M. Philippe Martin, Conseil d'État, France;  
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  
Justice Peter J. Panuthos, U.S. Tax Court;  
Judge Malcolm Gammie, First-Tier Tribunal (Tax Chamber) U.K.  
Chairman Anthony Gafoor, Trinidad & Tobago  
Judge Vineet Kothari, Rajasthan High Court Tribunal, India;  
President Massimo Scuffi, Italy

Regrets:

Judge Fabio Prieto, Administrative Council of Fiscal Appeals, Brazil  
Judge Manuel Garzón, Supreme Court of Spain  
Justice Jennifer Davies, Federal Court of Australia;  
Dr. Manuel Luciano Hallivis Pelayo, Tribunal Federal de Justicia Fiscal y Administrativa, Mexico;  
Judge Dagmara Dominik-Oginska, Voivodship Administrative Court in Wroclaw, Poland;  
Judge Petri Saukko, Administrative Court of Kuopio, Finland

1. The Proposed Agenda as circulated was approved.
2. The minutes of Meetings of Executive, March 30, 2017 and June 1, 2017 were approved as circulated.
3. A detailed financial report was given with respect to the rolling budget for the year ended December 31, 2017. The financial status was also reviewed by the President as of May 31, 2017 and again was approved.
4. There was discussed with respect to the establishment of a Netherlands bank account for the grant forthcoming from the IBFD. There was discussion

with respect to the problems associated to open the account in the Netherlands and this may be followed up by the Executive Committee.

With respect to financial issues, Philippe Martin suggested we reduce the registration fees because of the financial situation of the IATJ. The President suggested that the Executive would look at this particular matter from a historical perspective including considering:

- a. The number of members of the IATJ;
- b. The number of registrants for each Assembly;
- c. The history of the registration fee;
- d. The percentage of registration fee in proportion to the average reserve and the annual budget. The matter is to be brought up again to be discussed by the directors.

5. Rome Symposium: The President reported that there was an invitation by the Italian Court for 100 to 150 judges to attend on September 29, 2017. The invitation was extended by Board member Massimo Scuffi. The program had been established and there are going to be several members of the IATJ attend in person. It is a tremendous opportunity for the IATJ to expand its influence with respect to the Italian judiciary.

6. 8<sup>th</sup> Assembly: There was a review with respect to the Finnish report of May 26, 2017 in terms of the logistics for the Assembly. The program was also briefly discussed and it appears to be all in order. There was discussion with respect to an excursion on October 8, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and the costs associated with same. It was agreed that the appropriate notice would be sent out to members.

7. Website: The website is an ongoing issue with attempts to update same. We will have to wait until the new year.

8. Newsletter: There were approximately three newsletters gone out during the last fiscal year. The President reiterated that assistance was needed with respect to articles to be used in the newsletter and sought assistance from various members.

9. 9<sup>th</sup> Assembly: The President reviewed the ongoing efforts for the organization of the 9<sup>th</sup> Assembly in Ottawa, Ontario including particulars with respect to contacts to hotels for room reservations, a site for the Assembly, costs

with respect to lunches, et cetera as well as a location for the Assembly itself. A discussion took place with respect to indications for some sort of excursion as well as the location of the closing dinner.

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