AICT-IATC

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting
Date: 15 January 2022

Time: 07:00 CT; 14:00 CET Venue: Online

Meeting called to order at 07:09 Central USA Time; 14:09 Central European Time on 15 January 2022.

1. Present:

President (Jeffrey Eric JENKINS), General Secretary (Michel VAÏS), Adjunct General Secretary (Natalia TVALTCHRELIDZE)

Members of the Executive Committee: Argentina (Halima TAHAN FERREYRA), China (ZHU Ning), France (Jean-Pierre HAN), Georgia (Irina GOGOBERIDZE), Japan (Manabu NODA), Nigeria (Emmanuel DANDAURA), Russia (Nikolai PESOCHINSKY), Slovakia (Zuzana ULIČIANSKA), Thailand (Pawit MAHASARINAND)

Editor-in-Chief of *Critical Stages/Scènes critiques*: Savas PATSALIDIS Statutes Working Group Chair, Honorary President Margareta SÖRENSON Statutes Working Group Member, Honorary President YUN-CHEOL Kim

Absent:

Treasurer (Stéphane GILBART) and Member of the Executive Committee: Serbia (Ivan MEDENICA)

- 2. Agenda adopted without objection.
- 3. Minutes for 11 December 2021 meeting of the Executive Committee adopted without objection. No matters arose from these minutes.

4. Cabinet Updates:

Discussion on PicRights Matter:

The President and the Secretary General updated that a new letter dated 17 December 2021 was received by the French Excom member Jean-Pierre Han at the official address of the IATC, asking for money for a photo by Reuters that AICT-IATC had used on its website. The letter stated that the photo had already been taken down from the website; however, PicRights demanded EURO 690 for its use. We have no knowledge of the referenced picture. Earlier images with claims from Associated Press and Agence France-Presse were known to us and we made settlement. No decision was taken.

• Discussion on the Thalia Prize:

The President updated that the Thalia Prize Committee included three members of the ExCom: Georgia (Irina GOGOBERIDZE), Serbia (Ivan MEDENICA) and Thailand (Pawit MAHASARINAND), and proposed Ivan MEDENICA to be nominated as the Chairperson.

Irina GOGOBERIDZE mentioned that as the work of the Committee would be carried out in English, she would not be able to follow the discussion in full and proposed that she be replaced by another member of the ExCom. The President proposed that the Committee remained as constituted and that the changes, if necessary, be made at a later time.

5. Discussion of Statutes Working Group:

Members of the Working Group present at the meeting included the Chair of the Working Group, Honorary President Margareta SÖRENSON, Honorary President YUN-CHEOL Kim and three Executive Committee members: Argentina (Halima TAHAN FERREYRA), Nigeria (Emmanuel DANDAURA) and Thailand (Pawit MAHARASINAND).

The President updated that the draft document created by the Working Group had been received the day before.

The Chair of the Working Group, Honorary President Margareta SÖRENSON gave an overview of the working process stating that after the comments and proposals received from the ExCom in November 2021, a special subgroup on *Critical Stages/Scènes critiques* was created.

The Chairperson proposed to change the order of the articles in the Statutes: Articles 1-3 to cover the purpose of AICT-IATC Articles 4-10 to cover the areas of work of AICT-IATC. Margareta SÖRENSON proposed the ExCom to discuss draft articles 1 to 3.

There was a lengthy discussion of potential changes to the articles including proposals which included a wide range of perspectives with key questions carefully considered. Further development of potential changes will be undertaken by the Working Group before the next Statutes discussion at the meeting of the Executive Committee. The President asked the Chair of the Working Group to send the proposed changes at least one week prior to the next meeting of the ExCom to allow the members to review it thoroughly. The Chair of the Working Group thanked the members of the ExCom for their input.

- 6. Future Executive Committee Meetings Online meetings are scheduled on
 - ➤ 19 February 2022
 - ➤ 12 March 2022

7. New Businesses:

- Jean-Pierre HAN spoke about the 150th anniversary celebrations of the French *Syndicat* professionnel de la critique dramatique et musicale in October 2022 in Paris, France.
- Irina GOGOBERIDZE mentioned that the Georgian Theatre Showcase would resume in the second half of September 2022 in Tbilisi, Georgia.

Meeting adjourned at 09:26 CTUSA; 16:26 CET on 15 January 2022.

Natalia TVALTCHRELIDZE	Michel VAÏS	
Adjunct General Secretary	General Secretary	