



Endorsed Minutes of the eighty-fourth meeting of the Governing Board including decisions held on Friday 18 March 2022, from 14:30-16:00 CET by teleconference call via Zoom

Present:

Members: Barbara Lison (President, Chair) Perry Moree (Treasurer); Adjoa Boateng; Kirsten Boelt; Jonathan Hernández Pérez; Yasuyo Inoue; Ayub Khan; Nthabiseng Kotsokoane; Halo Locher; Mandla Ntombela.

Staff: Helen Mandl, Deputy Secretary General & Director Member Services; Esther Doria, Project Coordination Assistant (minutes).

1. General Business

1.1 Welcome and apologies

The President opened the meeting and welcomed all.

There was an apology from Antonia Arahova. She had confirmed prior to the meeting by email that she gave her proxy vote to Perry Moree. The President extended condolences to the President-elect on the loss of a family member.

The President noted that a quorum was established.

1.2. Adoption of the agenda

Resolution: The Governing Board adopted the agenda.

1.3. Statement of interests

There was a statement of interest from Halo Locher and from Perry Moree on behalf of Antonia Arahova for item 2.5 “Motion from the IFLA GB Subcommittee of 15 March”.

2. Governance

2.1 IFLA Position on Ukraine – discussion and requests for further action

2.1.1 Annex 1 – Summary of comments

2.1.2 Annex 2 – Russian Members and Committee members

2.2 Advice from the IFLA Parliamentarian

2.3 Advice from FAIFE

Resolutions:

1. The Governing Board resolved not to suspend cooperation with institutions and organisations representing the Russian Federation.
2. That IFLA issue a second statement restating its commitment to core values, preservation of cultural heritage and freedom of expression while deploring the destruction caused by the Russian military invasion.
3. That this position be published on the IFLA communication channels and communicated to all who have written to the Governing Board.
4. That the Governing Board endorses the work of IFLA’s staff and volunteers in a Task Force to support the protection of cultural heritage in Ukraine.

5. That a summary of IFLA's actions to date with international organisations on the protection of cultural heritage in Ukraine be published widely and communicated to those who have written to the Governing Board.
6. That regular updates on the activities of the Task Force be published as part of IFLA's communications.
8. The Governing Board resolved that the application of the Russian Library Association to participate as an exhibitor at WLIC in 2022 be rejected due to safety and security concerns.

2.4 Mediation for the Governing Board

2.5 Motion from the IFLA GB Subcommittee of 15 March

An executive session of the Board followed.

Any other business

There was no other business.

6. Next Governing Board meeting dates:

5-8 April 2022: GB week (The Hague)

24 July 2022 – Dublin, Ireland

29 July 2022 – Dublin, Ireland