

Minutes

of the

2016 IAHR General Members Assembly

Saturday 28th August, 2016, Colombo, Sri Lanka

Venue: Galadari Hotel

Time: 14:00-15:00

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1. Opening

The IAHR 2016 General Members Assembly was opened by President Peter Goodwin on the final afternoon of the IAHR 2016 Council Meeting.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2015 The Hague GMA

The minutes of the 2015 GMA are unanimously approved by those present.

3. 2015 Secretariat Report on Association Activities

The Executive Director reports that membership of the association continued to rise to 4108 members at year end compared with 3780 in 2014 and 3328 in 2013 (and 2122 in December 1999).

Dr George reports that during the year he divided his time between the Madrid and Beijing Secretariats and that the latter, hosted by our Institute member IWHR is fully operational with Mr Gaohu SUN as office manager. The Beijing and Madrid offices operate side-by-side. A full report on the new operations was published in HydroLink Issue 4, 2014.

4. 2015 Financial Statement

The Executive Director presents the financial results for the year prepared by our Auditors Ernst & Young which show a loss for 2015 of €78,190 compared with a surplus in the previous year of €37,137. This exceptional loss is a result of several unrelated and unexpected circumstances:

- Our subvention funding from Spain Water dropped from EUR156,000 in 2014 to EUR100,000
- We had exceptional and unbudgeted payments of EUR25,000 to our Internat Service provider for costs in previous years.



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- We had considerable extra unbudgeted IT consultancy costs of ca. EUR25,000 for migrating our website onto a new Windows Server platform owing to withdrawal of Windows Server 1997.
- We received no income from the IAHR World Congress in The Hague (budgeted at EUR 30,000)

The council and Executive Director are making concerted efforts to ensure that the 2016 result is on budget.

The audited financial report is validated unanimously by all present.

5. Any Other Business

Since there is no other business the meeting is closed

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CBGeorge 15th June 2017