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**68th Meeting of the General Assembly
27 to 28. April 2018**

Rome

List of Participants

Name	Association	Number of votes
Representatives with voting rights		
Bischof Valentin	Switzerland	5
Hemmerle Christian	Liechtenstein	3
Rössler Wolfgang	Saarland	3
Weber Michael	BDMV, Germany	5
Romiti Andrea	ANBIMA, Italy	3
Saje Miro	Slovenia	3
Total	6 with	22 votes
		12 votes = absolute majority
		17 votes = 3/4 majority

Observing members without voting rights – none

Participants without voting rights

Executive Board members not voting on behalf of their association

Füllemann Heinrich	Finance Committee, Protocol
Mösenbichler Johann	Music Committee

Benefactors none

Honorary Members none

Guests

Riegler Erich	Vice President ÖBV
Schulze Heiko	BDMV

Total number of participants 10

Excused:	Associations	Honorary Members
	Spain	Furgler Gottfried

Vice President **Michael Weber** opened the 68th meeting of the General Assembly on time and thanked the hosting association ANBIMA, in particular, Dr. Andrea Romiti for the efforts in organising the meeting.

Wolfgang Rössler will come a little later.

The Executive Board then proposed to proceed to the agenda that had been drawn up in accordance with the old Statutes:

- Point 10 to be treated in accordance with the new Statute
- Point 7 to be discussed and finalised

This motion was approved.

Meeting Agenda

- Roll call and distribution of voting cards
 - Welcome
1. Election of count staff, approval of the agenda
 2. Approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly held in Trossingen on 4 March 2017
 3. Approval of the Executive Board's and Committee's reports for 2017
 4. Approval of financial statements 2017
 5. Report and motions of the Auditors
 6. Dismissal of the Executive Board
 7. Statutory changes
 8. Membership updates
 9. Exclusion of members as of 31 December 2017
 10. Updated membership list, second roll call and count of voting representatives
 11. Elections
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Head of Music Committee
 - d. Head of Finance and Accounting Committee
 - e. Head of PR and Communications Committee
 - f. Auditors
 12. Setting of membership fee
 13. Approval of the annual budget
 14. Decision on motions submitted by the members
 15. Decision on motions submitted by the Executive Board
 16. Honours and appointments of Honorary Members
 17. Miscellaneous

Chairman's opening speech: (Official Version)

"Dear Members,

I would like to welcome you to the 68th meeting of the General Assembly of CISM here in Rome and thank you for your attendance.

I would like to thank ANBIMA for hosting this year's meeting and in particular, its Secretary General Dr Andrea Romiti for his efforts in preparing this event. We are pleased to be in Rome.

At the last meeting of the General Assembly in Trossingen we had the task to elect the Executive Board and to restructure and reorganise CISM for the future. A structure and statutory commission had been appointed and I would like to thank its members Valentin Bischof, Christian Hemmerle and Heini Fülleemann for the excellent job they have done. After extensive discussions, the statutory changes were shared with all current and former members. The comments received were mainly positive and have been taken into consideration.

Unfortunately, these changes also resulted in the leave of the South Tyrolean association as member, as the association's activities did not appear to be sufficiently extensive. On the other hand, the changes made have led to the Austrian association applying for readmission.

Each of our member organisations' home countries has its cultural particularities and experiences, on which we can further build when expanding CISM's network. This is our great advantage.

Today, the General Assembly will decide on CISM's future orientation and its statute revision – thus, this day presents an important milestone in the continued existence of CISM.

Together, let us support the efforts to preserve Europe's diverse music culture and create a common understanding among each other.

I open the 68th Assembly of Delegates of CISM."

In according of this paper is Attachment 1: power-point presentation at the assembly

A moment was dedicated to the commemoration of those members who passed away last year.

1. Election of count staff, approval of the agenda

6 voting representatives of the associations were present, as counted by the Executive Board

- The General Assembly has a quorum

2. Approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly held in Trossingen on 4 March 2017

- The minutes, provided by Executive Board member Heini Füllemann, had been shared with all member associations as well as honorary members and were unanimously approved.
- Dr Andrea Romiti welcomed the delegates and guests on behalf of ANBIMA, the most important association in Italy with 65 000 members in approx. 1 500 associations.

3. Approval of the Executive Board´s and Committees´ reports for 2017

A) Annual report by Vice President Michael Weber

Heini Füllemann thanked the Vice President for his work and opened the discussion, the report was unanimously approved.

B) Annual Report of the Music Committee

Johann Mösenbichler summarised his annual report and thanked Blaise Héritier (jurors training) and Gottfried Reisegger (Bohemian-Moravian music) for their support to the Music Committee. The report was unanimously approved.

Attachment 2: Annual report by Vice President Michael Weber

Attachment 3: Annual Report of the Music Committee

4. Approval of Financial Statements 2017

The financial statements were presented and explained by the treasurer Heini Füllemann.

Income 2017	15 930, 70	€
Expenses 2017	17 907, 69	€
Total	-1 976, 99	€

The deficit of 1 976, 99 € will be covered by the association's funds. This will leave a remaining balance of 13 888, 89 €.

Attachment 4: Financial Statements 2017

5. Auditor's report and motions

The Auditor Christian Hemmerle who had evaluated the financial statements shared his report for approval. The Auditor's report was unanimously approved.

6. Dismissal of the Executive Board

The proposal to dismiss the Executive Board was unanimously accepted. We thank them for their hard work and service to CISM.

7. Statutory changes

The General Assembly of Trossingen 2017 had commissioned the Executive Board to amend the Statutes of CISM. A dedicated working had been created, composed of:

- Christian Hemmerle, Liechtenstein, President
- Valentin Bischof, Switzerland
- Heini Fülleemann, member of the Executive Board

A proposal for the revision of the Statutes had been drafted by the working group and discussed with the Executive Board. The draft had then been shared by the Executive Board with all current and former member associations three months prior to the meeting of the General Assembly. The comments and suggestion received were taken into consideration when finalising the draft of the new Statutes.

During the General Assembly meeting, led by Michael Weber, each Article of the new Statutes was discussed and modified when deemed necessary.

The new Statutes did not require the General Assembly's unanimous approval as they would be signed by the incoming Executive Board elected at the same meeting.

The Statutes list all eight member associations of CISM. The changes made will hopefully encourage national and regional associations to become or return as members.

The Executive Board will move CISM's seat from St. Louis, France to Aarau, Switzerland.

Michael Weber would like to sincerely thank the working group for its efforts in preparing the draft of the Statutes.

8. Membership updates

The General Assembly took note of the resignation of the brass band association of South Tyrol, as they were not in agreement with the new Statutes. We thank the South Tyroleans for their cooperation in the past years and hope that we will welcome them back again soon.

With the adoption of the new Statutes, the Austrian brass band association ÖBV applied to be readmitted as a member of CISM. This was unanimously welcomed and approved by the General Assembly.

9. Exclusion of members as of 31 December 2017

None

10. Updated membership list, second roll call and count of voting representatives

The 8 members associations of CISM currently are:

- Bundesvereinigung Deutscher Musikverbände e.V., Germany (BDMV)
- Bund Saarländischer Musikvereine, Germany
- Liechtensteiner Blasmusikverband, Liechtenstein
- Schweizer Blasmusikverband, Switzerland (SVB)
- Slowenischer Musikverband, Slovenia
- Oesterreichischer Blasmusikverband, Austria
- Associazione nazionale Bande Italiane Musicali Autonome, Italy (ANBIMA)
- Confederacion Espanola de Sociedades Musicales, Spain

With the adoption of the new Statutes the distribution of votes has also changed. Each member association has only one vote. Executive Board members have one vote, unless they represent their national association.

11. Elections

On the agenda, the electoral process had been listed in accordance with the old Statutes but elections were held according to the new Statutes.

- President

Valentin Bischof, President of the Swiss put forward his candidacy for President of CISM. In response to Miro Saje as to what his projects for CISM are, Bischof explained that his aim was to unite all European wind bands in CISM, and, furthermore, to welcome projects initiated by the associations. However, finances would have to be considered.

The GA unanimously elected Valentin Bischof as President, who accepted and thanked.

Others

The other members of the Executive Board were elected individually, as outlined below. The Executive Board constitutes itself and assigns committee responsibilities.

- **Heini Füllemann, reconfirmed**
- **Heiko Schulze, BDMV, new**
- **Dr. Andrea Romiti, ANBIMA, new**

All three were unanimously elected and accepted. They declared to be ready to continue working, the General Assembly confirmed with all 16 votes.

Auditors

- **Christian Hemmerle was re-elected as Auditor**
- **Michael Weber was unanimously elected as substitute auditor**

12. Setting of membership fee for 2018

As proposed by the Executive Board, it was unanimously decided to fix the 2018 annual membership fee at € 500.

13. Approval of annual budget 2018

On request of the Executive Board, it is unanimously decided not to adopt an official budget for 2018, as it is very difficult to budget now. The new Board will discuss this in detail.

14. Admission of new members 2018

No applications were received from the member associations

15. Motions of the Executive Board

No motions were submitted by the Executive Board

16. Honours and appointments of Honorary Members

On behalf of the assembly, the newly elected President Valentin Bischof thanked the three previous Executive Board members who have led the CISM through difficult times. Upon his request, the General Assembly appoints the following as Honorary Members:

- **Michael Weber**
- **Johann Mösenbichler**
- **Heini Füllemann**

17. Miscellaneous

On Saturday, 28 April, the newly elected Executive Board met for its constitutive meeting, chaired by Valentin Bischof. The committees have been assigned as follows:

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| - | President of the General Assembly | Valentin Bischof |
| - | Finances and Vice Presidency | Heini Füllemann |
| - | Music | Heiko Schulze |
| - | PR and Communication | Andrea Romiti |

This was later announced to the General Assembly and meeting guests, including the representatives of the music store database, Helmut Schwaiger and Johanna Heissl.

Welcome and presentation of ANBIMA by Giampaolo Lazzeri, President, ANBIMA

Closing speech by Michael Weber

Weinfeld, 1 May 2018

Heini Füllemann