

IFLA Newsletter

December 2016

Dear IFLA friends,

Let me begin by thanking all of you who participated at the Florence conference. Florence is an amazing city thanks to the finance industry which emerged in the renaissance times, and significantly contributed to its growth. What an inspiration for us all!

I hope our conference gave you some ideas for your respective future strategies, not just in digitization, but also in a broader perspective.

We were pleased that our honorary President Lamberto Cioci was able to join us, as well as Guido Soldano, a long time AC member, who is going to be retire in the not too distant future.

As for the social part of the conference, it was a great pleasure to have opportunity again to hold our traditional IFLA signing evening, which I hope you enjoyed. Let me extend my appreciation to Enrico and his teams from both Banca Iccrea and Alessandro Rosso for their great support, which made for the success of the conference in the beautiful city of Florence.

You will find all the presentations from the conference on the IFLA website. Additionally, we have uploaded some photos from past conferences. If you have any photos you would like to share on the IFLA website, please send them to Ota Mandys, and we shall upload them.

An extraordinary GM was part of the agenda, so let me summarize its main outcome:

I have a pleasure to announce further growth of our membership base – let me welcome **AIB Leasing from Ireland**, which was unanimously approved as a **new IFLA member**. AIB Leasing, was represented by Kieran Marshall and Brendan Crowley, who gave an excellent presentation, and I'm sure they will be an esteemed and contributing member to our organization!

We have also a **new candidate** for IFLA membership: **Baltic Leasing** from Saint Petersburg, **Russia**. We, as an IFLA Presidency, have organised a meeting with senior management of the company, and trust that they will be a perfect fit to IFLA too They promised to participate in Barcelona AGM and will apply for their membership.

Good news for IFLA is that **Enrico Duranti**, Managing Director of Iccrea Bancalmpresa, is available for the position of **President Elect** from Barcelona AGM 2017 onward. This proposal was unanimously agreed. We believe that Enrico's recent experience as a Chairman of Leaseurope will further strengthen IFLA.

In order to ensure long-term continuity in AC and IFLA governance, we have decided to further extend the number of AC members to nine. Therefore, a **new AC member, Guy De Ceuster** from Belfius Lease Belgium was approved.

Future representatives and their roles in AC (from AGM Florence onward) are thus following:

Libor Bosák: President

Enrico Duranti: President Elect

Robert Peterson: President past and Process and Technology facilitation

Henrik Bech Hansen: Marketing & Trends facilitation

Ásthildur Kristjánsdóttir: HR facilitation

Javier Martin: Risk facilitation

Lars Feginn: AC member

Georg Hasslinger: AC member

Guy De Ceuster: AC member

Let me also lay out our **planned IFLA events:**

1. **Advisory Committee** will be held **22nd February 2017** in Amsterdam
2. **Spring AGM** will take place in **Barcelona 8 - 10. June 2017** with the following usual framework:
 - AC meeting: Wednesday evening diner + Thursday morning AC meeting
 - AGM will start on Thursday June 8th with lunch , followed by afternoon conference
 - On Friday, June 9th, the whole day conference program is scheduled
 - We will finish with a sightseeing tour on Saturday June 10th



3. The **autumn conference 2017**

Proposal for participation at ELFA convention in **Orlando, US, on October 22-24th 2017**, was discussed. IFLA has managed to obtain the promotional fees 1.190 USD per person from our correspondent member ELFA (compared to non-members rates 3.740 USD). However, hotel costs are not included in the fee. This proposal will be further discussed at the AC in Amsterdam meeting in February 2017.

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Finally, let me extend my very best wishes for Christmas and the holiday time, and wish you all the best for the New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Libor Bosák

President of IFLA

